



Headteacher's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16th January

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a fantastic second week back at St Vincent's, with pupils settling into their routines, embracing new learning opportunities, and showing great enthusiasm across all areas of school life.

House points as we end the are Ash (141), Oak (99), Elm (116).

ICT Room

This week, we've been developing exciting plans for the refurbishment of our ICT classroom, with a focus on creating a more modern, accessible, and flexible digital learning space. Staff have been working together to reimagine the layout and equipment to better support pupils' engagement with computing, media, and assistive technology. From improved workstations to upgraded interactive screens and software, the refurbished space will enhance both independence and creativity in ICT across the school.

PTA

I'm pleased to confirm that our next PTA meeting will take place on Friday 6th February at 10am here at school. This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to come together, hear about upcoming events, and share ideas on how we can continue to enrich the life of the school. Whether you're a regular attendee or thinking of joining for the first time, it would be great to have you there — your support makes a real difference!

Friday Enrichment

Today I had the pleasure of joining several of our Friday morning enrichment sessions, and it was a real highlight to observe the enthusiasm and engagement from pupils across a wide range of activities. Since moving enrichment to Friday mornings, I've received wonderfully positive feedback from both staff and pupils, who have really embraced the new structure. It's clear that the sessions are not only building new skills but also bringing joy and a strong sense of connection. I spent time with groups taking part in radio broadcasting, football, and

horticulture, and was so impressed by the creativity, teamwork, and focus on display. A huge well done to everyone involved!

Equal-Eyes-Radio

A reminder that you can tune in to Equal-Eyes Radio each week via the school website, where our pupils share news, interviews, music and more. This week's episode is a special feature dedicated to Mr. Cook, with some new guest contributors making their debut on the show. It's full of energy, creativity and pupil voice — don't miss it!

Headteachers Hot Chocolate

This week's Headteacher's Hot Chocolate was awarded to Cody, who has shown fantastic commitment since the start of term. With 100% attendance and an excellent attitude to learning, Cody has consistently given his best in every lesson and been a positive role model to those around him. Well done, Cody — your hard work and determination have truly stood out this week!

To finish, I'd like to wish the very best of luck to our school football team, who will be taking on the Bootle Bears tomorrow. We're all behind you and know you'll represent St Vincent's with pride, teamwork, and determination. Go for it!

Wishing all staff, pupils, parents and carers restful weekend.

Mr D Swanston

Headteacher