



Headteacher's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're certainly getting into the festive spirit here in school. As pupils continue to work hard in class – it's been wonderful to sit in and observe some of the rehearsals that are ongoing – and I've been very impressed with the scenes. The Christmas period can be a difficult period for some of our pupils and I've been so pleased at how they have managed these changes.

House points at the end of this week are Ash (16), Elm (16) and Oak (18). Again – I have been receiving so much positive feedback from staff this week – all pupils – keep it up.

New School Prospectus

Our new school prospectus is almost complete, and I hope that we'll have this on the school website before we break for Christmas. I would just like to say thank you again to all parents and carers who have contributed with comments – and I have shared these with staff. These forms remain open and if you wish to complete then please feel free to do so.

Habilitation

The closing date for the Habilitation post here at St Vincent's is today and the interviews will now begin. It is anticipated that the new staff member to the department will be in post by end of January 2025.

Class Visits

This week I have enjoyed visiting classes and joining in with lessons alongside pupils and staff. In art there were some wonderful independent creations that combined science and tactile art. I was also able to join S3 Careers who were learning about different sector jobs and the pathways to these jobs.

Headteachers Hot Chocolate

Today's Golden Ticket winner was Archie from P2 who joined me for a hot chocolate before the end of the school day. Archie has been working really hard preparing for his SATs and has been demonstrating consistent random acts of kindness to help others in school this week – well done Archie – and Happy Birthday too!

Wishing all a restful weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr D Swanston

Headteacher