



Headteacher's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 28th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I was excited to welcome all pupils and staff back this week as we prepare for a very busy half-term which will be full of new learning opportunities, challenges and moments to celebrate - and I encourage all to embrace this.

Attendance this week has been excellent – and well done to classes P1, P2 and S3 for their 100% attendance. House points as we end the first week back are Ash (67), Oak, (64) and Elm (77).

Young Green Briton Challenge

This week we welcomed colleagues from the Young Green Briton Challenge who delivered several workshops for the secondary department on sustainability and climate issues. As with previous workshops all were well received with enthusiasm and all involved produced some wonderful and creative pieces of work. I look forward to following this progress all the way to London.

Habilitation

I had the pleasure of joining the habilitation (mobility) department this week for some lessons and thoroughly enjoyed being out in the community. Habilitation is an essential skill – and I am always very impressed with progress our pupils make. Very well done indeed.

Speed of Sight

Thank you to Mike Newman of Speed of Sight for presenting his assembly in school this week. Mike holds the Guinness World Record for the fastest blind racing car driver and has provided several opportunities for our pupils to have a racing car experience over the years. We now aim to bring some of these experiences to St Vincent's during our Saturday sessions and I look forward to updating you all further in due course. Thank you again to Mike and his team.

World Book Day

On Thursday 6th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. A more detailed letter, including further information has been provided with everything you need to know. However, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact school.

School PTA

The next school PTA meeting is scheduled for Friday 21 March at 10 am – if you can – please attend and ideas and suggestions are always welcome. If you cannot attend, please do not hesitate to write to me with any points. Drinks and cake are provided.

Headteacher's Hot Chocolate

Congratulations to Charlotte from P2 who was this weeks Golden Ticker winner. Charlotte has excelled this week in both her numeracy and spelling tests. Very well done, Charlotte – and thank you for the catch-up.

Finally, wishing all a very restful and enjoyable weekend – and for those attending the Chill Factore tomorrow the school bus will depart at 9.45 am. Don't forget your warm clothing!

Very best wishes,

Mr D Swanston

Headteacher