

# St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter  
28 March 2025

Dear Parents and Families,

This Thursday, I had the pleasure of accompanying a group of children to St. George's Cathedral for a special mass celebrating the life and work of Oscar Romero. The service was attended by hundreds of children from primary schools, secondary schools, and sixth form colleges, all gathering in a spirit of faith and unity.

Bishop John Wilson spoke powerfully to our young people about the message of hope, a key theme for this Jubilee Year – the Year of Hope. His words encouraged everyone to embrace hope in their daily lives, reminding us that even small acts of kindness and justice can make a meaningful impact.

Our children were excellent ambassadors of both our school and the wider community. They were privileged to form part of the choir alongside the Southwark Singing Programme, adding to the beauty and reverence of the service. A particularly proud moment was when we, along with 14 other schools, were honoured to receive our Oscar Romero Award—a recognition of our commitment to the values of faith, justice, and service.

A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful children for their enthusiasm and participation, and to our parent volunteers for their support. A special thank you to Ms. O'Sullivan for her continued dedication to Catholic Social Teaching through her work with our Mini Vinnies.

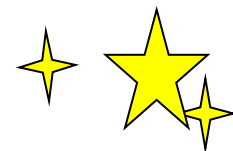
It was truly inspiring to witness our young people reflecting on Romero's legacy of courage and faith. As we continue our journey through this Jubilee Year, may we all carry forward this message of hope and justice in our school community and beyond.



Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Gonzalez

## Stars of the Week



Reception – Ethan A for gaining confidence in joining in with class discussions.  
Year 1 – Shayah for a cheerful attitude and the joy she brings to the classroom.  
Year 2 – Bonnie for completing work to a high standard and for kindness and compassion.  
Year 3 – George for enthusiasm and eagerness to participate in activities and discussions.  
Year 4 – Sophia for determination and hard work  
Year 5 – Imogen for a cheerful attitude and the joy she brings to the classroom every day.  
Year 6 – Anna for continuing to produce a high standard of work.

## School Value Awards

Reception – Andrew for showing curiosity in maths.  
Year 1 – Thiago for demonstrating resilience by handling obstacles with grace and perseverance.  
Year 2 – Aaron for working hard to develop learning and for creating lovely artwork.  
Year 3 – Kaiden for demonstrating resilience by handling obstacles with grace and perseverance.  
Year 4 – Adriana for being a caring classmate.  
Year 5 – Isabel for helping a classmate in need, demonstrating true compassion.  
Year 6 – Alice for aspirational writing.

## Dates for your Diary

Parents and families are warmly invited to join us in celebrating Mass.

If you would like to accompany the school as we walk to Mass, please inform your child's teacher so they can coordinate the arrangements.

Additionally, the Celebration of the Word will take place in the school hall, and parents of the respective year group are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 2 April	Reception Celebration of the Word
Wednesday 2 April	Years 2 & 6 visit to Mass
Friday 4 April	Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday 22 April	First day of Summer Term

**Term and holiday dates up to July 2026 are shown on the school website**

## This Week's Attendance

24 - 28 March 2025	
Reception	96.3%
Year 1	96.3%
Year 2	98.5%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	99.1%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	96.6%
Whole school	97.5%

