

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
6 December 2024

Our Christmas Fair is next Thursday 2-4:30pm!!!!

We are pleased to inform you that our Christmas Fair will be starting at 2pm on Thursday 12th December and will run until 4:30pm.

We are offering families the opportunity to collect children early on that day, so that they can attend the Christmas Fair during the afternoon. We have organised a staggered collection time for the day. Please note that siblings may be collected at the same time. The early collection is not compulsory; children will remain in school until the usual time, unless you decide to collect them early.

Please see below for the optional early collection times for each class.

- **Reception Class** children may be collected from 1:50pm from their usual end of day collection point.
- **Years 1 and 2** children may be collected from 2pm.

Year 1 may be collected from their usual end of day collection point.

Year 2 may be collected from this same point – the exit with the ramp, rather than the usual end of day collection point.

- **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** children may be collected from 2:15pm from the middle doors.

If your child has permission to go home on their own, they will not be dismissed until 3:15pm.

We will host numerous exciting stalls at the Christmas Fair. Please note that it will be a **cash-only** event, so kindly start saving your coins!

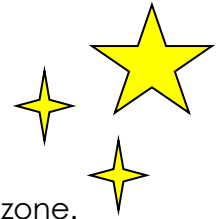
We understand that children in KS2 will be attending the fair later than KS1 and Reception. Rest assured, the wonderful stallholders are aware of this and will replenish their goods throughout the afternoon to make sure that no one misses out on the festive fun or the chance to pick up something special.

We have a fabulous raffle with prizes being added continually. Tickets for the raffle and Santa's Grotto will be available for purchase before/after school under the canopy area every day next week.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Gonzalez

Stars of the Week



Reception – Honora for a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards learning.
Year 1 – Nakshith for willingness to challenge himself and step out of his comfort zone.
Year 2 – Christel for sharing lovely ideas and for wonderful reading.
Year 3 – Margot for being an excellent role model through hard work and dedication.
Year 4 – Benita for working hard on a fantasy story.
Year 5 – Isabel for courage and dedication when reading the Gospel aloud.
Year 6 – Angela for consistently showing a positive attitude to learning.

School Value Awards

Reception – Seth for being resilient with his learning.
Year 1 – Heeya for a strong desire to succeed and constantly striving to do his best.
Year 2 – Michael for curiosity in learning and engaging well during discussion.
Year 3 – Ezinne for determination and ability to bounce back from setbacks.
Year 4 – Alex for excellent behaviour and respect.
Year 5 – Joshua for commitment to try harder and strive for improvement.
Year 6 – Mercedes for setting high goals for herself.

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.

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| Tuesday 10 December | Reception Class Nativity 2.15pm |
| Wednesday 11 December | Year 1 Nativity 9.30am |
| Wednesday 11 December | School Christmas Lunch |
| Wednesday 11 December | Year 2 Nativity 2.00pm |
| Thursday 12 December | Christmas Fair 2.00-4.30 pm |
| Friday 13 December | Year 5 library visit |
| Monday 16 December | KS2 Carol Concert 2.00pm |
| Wednesday 18 December | Reception Celebration of the Word |
| Friday 20 December | Last day of Autumn Term |
| Tuesday 7 January | First day of Spring Term |

Term and holiday dates up to July 2025 are shown on the school website

This Week's Attendance

| 2 – 6 December 2024 | |
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| Reception | 93.6% |
| Year 1 | 89.6% |
| Year 2 | 97.9% |
| Year 3 | 98.1% |
| Year 4 | 98.2% |
| Year 5 | 95.7% |
| Year 6 | 95.3% |
| Whole school | 95.7% |



Applications for Reception Class September 2025

The application process for Reception places in September 2025 opened on 1 September 2024, for children whose date of birth falls between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021.

The national closing date for applications is 15 January 2025.

The national offer date for on-time Reception applications is 16 April 2025.

If you are a Bromley resident, you should make your application through London Borough of Bromley. You can name schools outside of Bromley on your application, if you wish.

If you live outside of Bromley, you need to apply through the local authority where you live and can name Bromley schools on that application, if you wish.

In addition to the official council application, please complete a Supplementary Information Form, which can be picked up from the school office or downloaded from the school website.

School Inspection

Over the past two days, our children have engaged with the Catholic Inspection process, and the inspectors were very complimentary of their conduct and attitudes. I am incredibly proud of them, as they truly embodied our school values and Catholic social teachings.

Thank you to everyone who completed the parent questionnaire during the recent inspection. We received an overwhelming number of responses, and the many positive comments shared were greatly appreciated.

We now await the official report, which will be published in early January.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Gonzalez

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CHRISTMAS FAIR

THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER
2:00pm - 4:30pm

LOTS OF FESTIVE FUN...

LUCKY DIP ❄️ **RAFFLE** ❄️

❄️ **GUESS THE WEIGHT OF THE CAKE** ❄️

❄️ **TOMBOLA** ❄️ **FOOD AND DRINK** ❄️

SANTA'S GROTTO FROM 2PM

Harting Road, Mottingham, SE9 4JR

As always we would like some volunteers to help us run the event. Please let us know if you can help.