



St Vincent's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

COVID update

'The Director of Public Health has recently advised settings to take reasonable steps to reduce indoor gatherings and mixing between classes and year groups and to limit non-essential visits, in order to reduce the transmission of COVID-19.'

This is due to a rise in cases in Central Bedfordshire. We are continuing to take every precaution at school and to monitor the situation carefully. Attached to this newsletter are the key dates for the remainder of this term. You will note due to the current situation we are not holding our normal Christmas events where we invite you into school, such as Christmas productions and Carol Services for parents and discos for children. This of course is so very frustrating for children, parents and staff. I thank you for your understanding. Where possible in school, we are continuing with Christmas events to ensure children are having an enjoyable time at this special time of the year.

Before school

Please could I remind parents that all children should be dropped off at their classroom door and not left to walk through the school grounds on their own, unless they are in Years 5 and 6 and have been given permission to walk to and from school unaccompanied. Also please be reminded electric scooters must not be used on the school site, this includes the car park. Please get off and push the scooter. Thank you for your support in these matters.

Jubilee

Next year, we will be celebrating the diamond jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen, Queen Elizabeth II. As a result of this, schools have been given an extra day of holiday! We have decided to take this after our May half-term break so that will mean children come back to school on Tuesday 7th June 2022.

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Parent Consultations

We are currently updating our school system to allow us to hold Parent Consultations remotely. My intention is to hold these appointments at the start of next term. More information will follow in due course.

Early Birds and Late Owls

We are very lucky to have our wrap around care. We have wonderful staff who provide a fantastic service. To allow them to prepare effectively please ensure you book your child's place in advance via ParentMail.

Mr Walker

At the end of this term we say goodbye to Mr Walker. Mr Walker has worked at St Vincent's for many years and has had such a positive impact on so many children. We thank him for all he has done and wish him all the best for his future.

Welcome

During this term we have welcomed two new Teaching Assistants, Mrs Foster and Miss Sharman. We are very lucky to have such fantastic new members join our team.

School Diary

Attached to this newsletter are the key dates for the remainder of this term. Please note the dates are subject to change so please do refer to them each time a newsletter is sent home.

God bless,

Mr Chiswell

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Key Dates

(Please note these are subject to change, more information will follow where appropriate.)

Wednesday 8 th December	Christmas Dinner	
Wednesday 15 th December	Christmas Parties / Jumper Day	
Friday 17 th December	End of Advent Term	14.00
Tuesday 4 th January	Staff Training Day	
Wednesday 5 th January	Start of Lent 1 st Half Term	
Friday 11 th February	End of 1 st Half of Lent Term	
Monday 21 st February	Start of Lent 2 nd Half Term	
Friday 1 st April	End of Lent Term	
Tuesday 19 th April	Staff Training Day	
Wednesday 20 th April	Start of Pentecost 1 st Half Term	
Friday 27 th May	End of 1 st Half of Pentecost Term	
Monday 6 th June	Holiday in recognition of the Queen's Jubilee	
Tuesday 7 th June	Start of Pentecost 2 nd Half Term	
Thursday 21 st July	End of Pentecost Term	
Friday 22 nd July	Staff Training Day	

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