

St Vincent de Paul Catholic School – Newsletter

4th November 2016



Dear Parents,

We are approaching the 11th of November and Remembrance Sunday where we honour the immeasurable sacrifice made by those who died in World War One and later conflicts. As part of this remembrance we will be selling Poppies during school time for 20p and we will also be selling related merchandise (friendship bracelets, slap rulers, wristbands, reflectors and LED torches) before and after school. The proceeds will go to charity.

On Friday 11th November at 11am we will take part in the two minute silence to commemorate the events. We will all gather on the playground to unite for this poignant moment. We will listen to the Last Post and some of our pupils will read reflections. Pictures of this very special event will be on our website shortly after. Mr. Keane, Headteacher

Year 6 School Journey

Brilliant, fantastic, fun, challenging, interesting, teamwork are some of the words Year 6 children used to describe their journey to Kingswood the week before half term. They had a hugely busy week with abseiling, fencing, caving, low ropes, swimming, archery and ICT among some of the activities they undertook. The children were magnificent and a credit to the school and their parents. A big THANK YOU to all the staff who accompanied them and made this successful trip possible.

Year 6 Assembly

The Year 6 assembly today was about Guy Fawkes and keeping safe with fireworks. They re-enacted the story of Guy Fawkes and his attempt to blow up Parliament. Year 6 also demonstrated how to hold sparklers safely and gave everyone rules to follow to keep safe on bonfire night. "I really liked the song at the end, Firework by Katie Perry" said Bella "I enjoyed the conversation using puns with TJ and Ryan" said Damien

Fireworks Night

We have sold out of parking spaces for tomorrow but you are still welcome to come along (on foot!) and pay on the door for soup. We also need some help, particularly with parking, CAN YOU HELP? Contact either Theresa: 0776 967 7088 or Gemma: 0795 055 8374.

Pupil Profile: Alannah

Alannah is in Year 5 and is a member of the Stevenage Swimming Club. She swims 3 times a week and is in the top set. Alannah says "I like playing football as well as swimming"

She loves the International Primary Curriculum topics that are covered in class. Alannah was one of our Year 5 pupils who ran in the Stevenage Cross Country competition last week. Alannah did very well and had lots of fun. Alannah has also been chosen to represent the school at football.



Reported by, Maisie and Bridie

Class Name: Agnesi

Maria Agnesi was born on May 16th 1718 in Milan, Italy. She was the first woman to write a mathematics handbook and the first woman appointed as a Mathematics Professor at a university. She was a devout Catholic and spent the last four decades of her life studying theology and carrying out charitable work and serving the poor. This extended to helping the sick by allowing them into her home where she set up a hospital. She died on 9th January 1799 aged



80.

Attendance this week

R: GI Mozart 99.3%	PL/TL O'Connor 97%
Yr 1: SC Mistral 99.3%	VH Stein 96.7%
Yr 2: AP Pasteur 99.3%	LMc More 99%
KS1 98.4% Wow, well done!	
Yr 3: JC Hildegard 96.3%	CH Seacole 97.3%
Yr 4: DA Bonifacio 97.7%	AS/SH Michelangelo 98.7%
Yr 5: CB Agnesi 97%	GB Teresa 96.7%
Yr 6: EG Shakespeare 96.7%	RJ Tolkien 96.9%

Whole school 97.7% - Aristotle will be running around again this week as Mozart, Pasteur and Mistral share the best attendance.

Tag Ruby Tournament

Our Year 6 participated in the Stevenage Tag Rugby Tournament during the week. We went into the competition having won it for the past two years. We reached the final again, lost a single point and ended as runners-up. Our final position qualifies us for the County Cup. The event organised with Stevenage Rugby Club also presented a new and special trophy in memory of Elizabeth Ransom, one of our pupils who sadly passed away in the summer. Elizabeth's mum, dad and sister joined the tournament, which started with a minutes silence for Elizabeth. Elizabeth was part of our winning team last year.



Reported by: Michael, Maisie, Sean and Bridie

NETBALL: Stevenage Storm Netball Club are looking for Year 5 girls interested in playing netball. Training is on a Wednesday from 6pm until 7pm. Please see Mrs Levy in the school office for more details

