



St Richard's VC Academy

Autumn Newsletter

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Welcome Back

Welcome back! We all hope you and your families had a wonderful, restful, and enjoyable summer break.

It has been an absolute delight welcoming all of our children back through the school gates this week. I must say how exceptionally smart the children look in their uniforms, and how joyous it has been to see them arriving with such energy, big smiles, and a clear readiness to learn. Their enthusiasm has brought our school corridors straight back to life!

As we begin this new academic year, I want to emphasise how much we value our relationship with you. We firmly believe that a child's education is a shared journey between home and school, and we are truly looking forward to working in close partnership with you throughout the year ahead.

Every child deserves the very best support to reach their full potential, and we are planning lots of opportunities for us to work together to help your child thrive and flourish in all areas of school life. From upcoming family workshops and curriculum events to informal catch-ups and celebrations, there will be plenty of ways for you to get involved.

We have a wonderful year ahead planned for our school community, so watch this space ! Please keep an eye on our regular newsletters and email communications through [Arbour](#)! It is really important that you are set on [Arbour](#) so you can see both regular updates and any urgent communication, so please pop to the office if you need any support with this. In addition to this you can keep up to date with school life through our [Facebook page](#) . For Early Years families, Mrs O'Loughlin and her wonderful team will also post on Class Dojo so please do make sure you are signed up to this, or ask a member of the Early Years Team to assist you.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, partnership, and dedication to our school family

Warmest regards,

Emma Cook
Headteacher

Health & Safety



The health, safety, and well-being of all our children is our top priority. To ensure a safe environment for everyone, please adhere strictly to the following guidelines.

Breakfast Club drop off: If you are arriving by car, you must drive slowly down the school drive and park in the marked bays. Children should be escorted to the office and not left until they gain entrance to the secure entrance.

Scooters and Bikes: For the safety of all pupils and families, please do not ride scooters or bicycles on the school drive at any time. Children must dismount before entering the grounds and walk along the path.

Jewellery: No jewellery is permitted in school, with the sole exception of a single pair of small stud earrings and a watch. Please note that earrings must not be worn at all on PE days for in line with health and safety guidance.

Nut-Free School: To protect children with severe allergies and due to the enforcement of new statutory laws, we are now strictly a nut-free school. Consequently, we can no longer accept birthday cakes, treats, or any food items containing nuts or unlabelled ingredients.

Medical and Allergy Updates: Please contact and update the school office immediately with any new or existing allergies, dietary requirements, or medical conditions your child may have.



Dates for your Diary

KEY DATES

- **Sunday 13th September** - Education Mass - All welcome to attend Mass at Sacred Heart Church 9.30am or St Bede's -11am
- **w/b 21st September** - Year 6 at IntoUniversity at the Freedom Centre / Hull University - all week
- **22nd September** - Mass for the New School Year
- **28th September** - Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
- **28th September** - 10 Week Run with It Project Y4 - every Monday beginning 28th September
- **30th September** - Reception and Year 6 pupils - NCMP checks
- **30th September** - Y3 trip to Burton Constable Hall
- **October 8th** - 5S - London Trip
- **15th October** - 5T - London Trip
- **21st October** - Parents' Evening
- **23rd October** - Break off for Half-term

