

27 NOVEMBER 2025



*Don't Forget*

*As the winter weather sets in please make sure your son brings a named coat to school.*



WE ARE ALWAYS ON THE LOOK OUT FOR TREE BRANCHES FOR USE IN FOREST SCHOOL. IF YOU ARE HAVING ANY TREE SURGERY CARRIED OUT OR IF ANY BRANCHES FALL IN THE WINTER STORMS WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE THEM. THEY WILL NEED TO BE THORNLESS AND IDEALLY THEY WOULD BE 2 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND APPROX. 2 METRES LONG (THE BOYS NEED TO BE ABLE TO LIFT THEM IN PAIRS).

### [Christmas Lunch Menu - Wednesday 10 December 2025](#)

Click here to view the Christmas Lunch menu [VCP Christmas Lunch](#)

### [Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper Day' - Thursday 11 December](#)

Boys may come to school dressed in a festive jumper with a donation for this worthwhile cause. To avoid confusion, this is not a dress down day, boys should still come to school in their uniform or PE/Games Kit with their jumper. To donate click here: [Christmas Jumper Day 2025](#)

### [VCP Christmas Service - Saturday 13 December 9:15am-10:15am](#)

Our Christmas Service will take place at the St Helier Methodist Centre, Halkett Place.

### [Jersey Music Service - join a band, orchestra or ensemble.](#)

Click here for more details: [JMS Information and Registration](#)

*Term ends 12pm Thursday 18 December ~ there is no Bistro or Beehive on this day!*

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CO-CURRICULAR  
BOOKINGS OPEN AT 7:00PM FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER

FOLLOW THE SOCS LINK TO BOOK

[SOCS Login](#)

All clubs require booking  
including lunchtime activities.



Note, the following clubs have two groups.  
Please only book your son into one session.  
This allows as many boys as possible to take part.

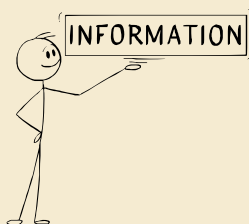
- Year 5/6 Squash ~ Monday Lunchtime
- Year 3/4 Badminton ~ Tuesday After School

Details of clubs can also be found on the school website.

This is a live calendar.

Should a club be cancelled it will be noted  
on the calendar and also via a text.

[VCP School Calendar](#)

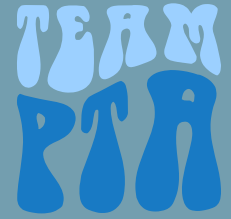


Hard ball Cricket ~ Tuesday Full Term - these sessions do not require sign up as the boys will be allocated a space following the trials this term



Football (Y6 A, B, C and Y5A) ~ Thursday Term 1 - these sessions do not require sign up as the boys are continuing in the same squads as Autumn term

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# MOVEMBER<sup>®</sup>

## THE MOUSTACHE IS CALLING



**FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2025**

BOYS WILL RECEIVE THEIR VERY  
OWN STICK ON MUSTACHE!

SUGGESTED DONATION £1.00

[MOVEMBER - DONATE HERE](#)

BUCKETS WILL ALSO BE IN SCHOOL FOR ANY CASH DONATIONS

RAISE FUNDS FOR MEN'S HEALTH AND GROW A MO!

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VCP CHRISTMAS ART  
COMPETITION!



**Design a Christmas scene for the front cover of our programme for this year's Christmas Service**

**Entries should be in A4 portrait and delivered to Mrs Illing in the school office no later than 28 November 2025**

**GOOD LUCK!**

**PRIZES FOR THE BEST DESIGN!**





# Outreach Project



Dear Parents,

As part of our community outreach projects here at VCP, Year 3 have again decided to give something back to local individuals and families this Christmas that may be less fortunate than us. We would love the whole school to get involved!

We will be collecting some luxury Christmas items so that Year 3 can make up some lovely Christmas Hampers for the St. Helier Methodist Centre and The Shelter Trust to gift to those in need this Christmas as part of their own Outreach work.

It would be lovely for all the boys in our community to think about giving back to others this Christmas and to remember just how fortunate we are.

By Friday 5 December, we would like to collect as many of the following items as possible so please start sending these in to school. There will be collecting boxes in the hall.

Many thanks,  
Year 3

## OUTREACH ITEMS TO INCLUDE LUXURY FOOD ITEMS FOR A CHRISTMAS TREAT!

CARDBOARD BOXES IN A RANGE OF SIZES  
CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PAPER TO COVER THE  
BOXES

FOOD CUPBOARD  
TINS OF MEAT/HAM  
TINS OF TUNA  
CRISPS  
JAM  
CRACKERS  
CHRISTMAS CRACKERS  
JAM  
UHT LONG-LIFE MILK  
COOKING SAUCES  
MICROWAVABLE RICE  
SUGAR  
CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS



## CONFECTIONERY

BOX/PACKET OF CHOCOLATE / BISCUITS  
OR SWEETS

## DRINKS

CORDIAL/SQUASH  
FRUIT JUICE  
HOT CHOCOLATE  
TEA/COFFEE

## HEALTH & BEAUTY

DEODORANT  
BAR OF SOAP  
CLEANSING WIPES  
TOOTHPASTE/TOOTHBRUSH  
HAIRBRUSH/COMB  
SHOWER GEL  
SHAMPOO/CONDITIONER



I ♥ Science



### YEAR 3

Year 3 are continuing their learning on the skeleton by finding out how they, along with muscles, allow us to move. They will make models of the backbone and arm to help explain their understanding.

### YEAR 4

Year 4 are enjoying using the kits to make circuits and will use scientific diagrams to help explain when a bulb will or will not light. The boys often ask where they can buy these kits from so I have included the link below. [TTS Electricity Kit - buy here!](#)

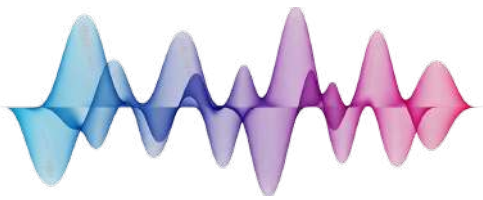
### YEAR 5

Year 5 will investigate the Earth's orbit of the Sun and compare this to the length of the orbits of other planets.

### YEAR 6

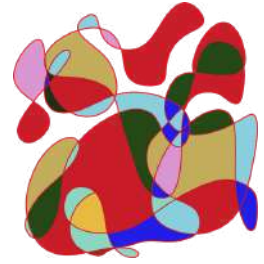
Year 6 are learning how pulleys can be used to reduce the force needed to lift a heavy load.





# YEAR 3

## THE WEEK AHEAD



In English, we will be embarking on an exciting new journey into the world of poetry, with a special focus on *The Sound Collector* by Roger McGough. Through this learning, the boys will be exploring the fascinating world of sounds, discovering how different objects produce unique noises and what words best describe and rhyme with them.

Next week in Computing, the boys will continue their learning on networks, focusing on routers. They will explore how routers connect devices to form a network and allow information to be shared quickly and securely. The boys will also learn how routers help extend a network, enabling more devices to connect and communicate efficiently.

Next week in Art, we will be evaluating our final pieces inspired by Kandinsky. The boys will reflect on their work, considering how they have used colour, shape, and composition. They will also discuss what they have learned from Kandinsky's style and how it has influenced their own creations

We have our Year 3 Swimming Gala next week and excitement is definitely building! Which house will take victory?

### WHAT'S NEW?

What was the most challenging part of designing and building the mechanisms for your card?

What is the relationship between multiplication and division?

### WHAT'S NEXT?

What sounds do you notice in the kitchen, and how could you use words to describe them in a poem?

What are some places that routers are used?

## Feedback

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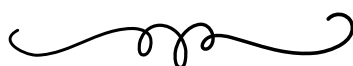
## Reminder!

YEAR 3 NATIVITY PLAY: TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER FROM 11:15 AM TO 11:45AM IN THE SCHOOL HALL. LIMITED PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND ON THIS DAY.

SWIMMING GALA: THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER AT 1:15PM

ALL PARENTS ARE WARMLY INVITED TO COME ALONG AND CHEER ON THE BOYS- IT'S ALWAYS A FANTASTIC EVENT AND YOUR SUPPORT MAKES IT EVEN MORE SPECIAL! THERE WILL BE NO PARKING AT LANGFORD AND PARENTS MUST LEAVE THE JCG/JCP CARPARK BY 2.30PM

WITH ADVENT JUST AROUND THE CORNER, THE CHILDREN WILL BE TAKING PART IN A KINDNESS ADVENT! EACH WEEKDAY, THEY WILL HAVE A SIMPLE, THOUGHTFUL TASK TO HELP SPREAD KINDNESS AND MAKE SOMEONE'S DAY A LITTLE BRIGHTER. PLEASE CHECK YOUR SON'S HOMEWORK DIARY FOR EACH DAY'S SPECIAL KINDNESS ACTIVITY.



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## YEAR 3 ~ FURTHER INFORMATION



### HOME ALONE!

**Wednesday 10 December  
VCP School Hall 5:15 – 7:30pm**



**Thanks to our generous PTA, we're delighted to invite the boys to our Christmas Movie Night!  
They are welcome to come in their pyjamas and bring blankets or pillows  
to get cozy while enjoying the film.**

**If your son isn't a fan of Margherita pizza, please make sure he has eaten beforehand.  
Please make sure to fill in the form so we know who will be joining this festive event and can  
plan accordingly.**

**[Year 3 Movie Night: Home Alone – Fill in Form](#)**

## CHRISTMAS HAMPER-MAKING EXTRAVAGANZA!

### YEAR 3 PARENT ELVES REQUIRED!!!

**Thursday 11 December  
VCP School Hall 8.30am – 10.30am (no parking on site)**

**Get ready to sprinkle some Christmas magic!**

**8:30am – Early birds, you're our Christmas elves! Join us for 30 merry minutes of wrapping boxes  
in festive paper and decking the hall for hamper heaven.**

**9:00am – The boys arrive to fill the hampers with goodies for 40 jolly minutes.**

**9:45am – While the boys dash off for break, parents can work their magic: add cellophane,  
ribbons, and those finishing touches to make the hampers sparkle!**

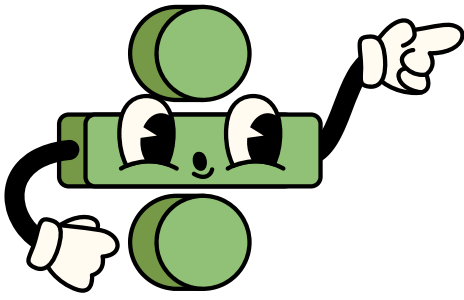
**Once the hampers are ready, the boys will return to admire their handiwork, and we'll capture  
the moment with a year group photo featuring our parent elves too!**

**Feel free to wear festive touches – Santa hats, sparkly scarves, or anything that jingles!**

**Let's make this a morning full of cheer, creativity, and Christmas spirit!**

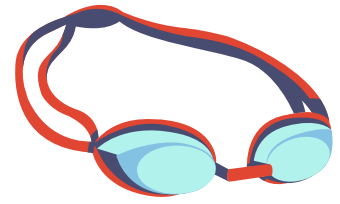
**[Year 3 Parent Elves – I can help!](#)**





# YEAR 4

## THE WEEK AHEAD



This week, the boys have continued to deepen their understanding of the Trinity and its importance to Christians. Next week, they will build on this knowledge by exploring the Christian practice of Baptism, discovering what happens during a baptism and why people may be baptised as children, or choose to be baptised later in life. In a couple of weeks, we are also looking forward to welcoming Rector Pete Stone into school to talk more about why the Trinity is so central to the Christian faith.

In English, the boys are continuing their learning journey through The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse. They will be developing their writing by using powerful verbs and contrasting conjunctions to reflect characters' mixed emotions. Additionally, they will keep practising accurate use of speech marks for dialogue, while weaving narrative detail into their writing to describe each character's thoughts, feelings, and actions.

In D.T., the boys will be continuing to build their steady hand games as part of their Electrical Systems unit. They will be assembling their final designs, tinkering and making improvements to ensure their game works successfully, a wonderful blend of creativity and engineering!

## GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

On Thursday 4 December, a number of boys will be visiting Pinewood Residential Home to sing carols as part of our Year 4 Global Citizenship project. Unfortunately, due to the size of the residential home, not all pupils are able to attend. If your son is taking part in the carol singing, he will have a sticker in his homework diary. Those not attending will remain in school where they will be creating Christmas cards for the residents and for individuals who have supported Year 4 this year, such as guest speakers. This is a wonderful opportunity for the boys to give something back to the community and share some festive cheer. Carol singers are welcome to bring in a suitable Christmas hat on the day to add to the festive spirit!

## WHAT'S NEW?

What patterns do you notice in the different times tables?

What is the Trinity?

## WHAT'S NEXT?

What is Baptism and is anyone in the family baptised?

Why is multiplying by 1 and by 0 easy?

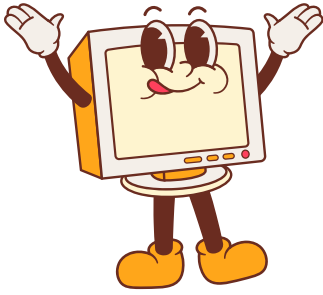
**Reminder!** →

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WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER 13:00-15:00 D.T PARENT DROP IN SESSION.

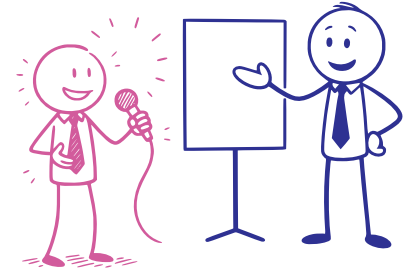
THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT PINWOOD RESIDENTIAL HOME





# YEAR 5

## THE WEEK AHEAD



In R.E., we will be exploring the topic “Where Muslims get guidance for living.” The boys will learn about key sources of guidance in Islam and reflect on how different communities use teachings and traditions to shape their daily lives and the impact the 5 Pillars have on this.

In maths, we are continuing with our fractions unit. The boys will deepen their understanding of equivalent fractions, mixed numbers, and improper fractions, and apply these skills to adding and subtracting fractions.

We are beginning a new text this week: Moon Juice. This poetry collection will give the boys plenty of opportunities to explore imaginative language and expressive writing. They will also have the chance to perform poetry, both in small groups and to the whole class—an exciting opportunity to build confidence and develop speaking and listening skills.

In reading lessons, we will continue with our class book Llama Out Loud, developing comprehension skills and discussing themes, characters, and vocabulary and the real reason Levi has been sent on a mission to help Yasmin.

After spending time learning about the architecture of computers, we will now return to take a deeper look into binary addition, building on the boys' understanding of how computers store and process information.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our maths parent drop-ins next week, where our focus will be on subtracting mixed number fractions. This is a great opportunity to see the boys' learning in action and ask any questions you may have.

### WHAT'S NEW?

How does the Mars Rover send data back to the ISS?

What must we remember when adding two fractions together?

### WHAT'S NEXT?

When subtracting fractions, do we subtract the numerator and the denominator? Or just the numerator?

What do you know about poetry?

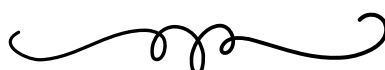
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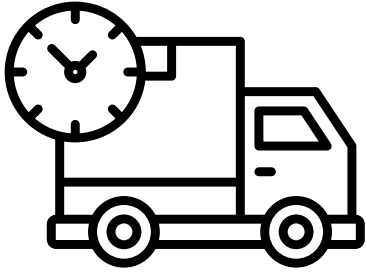
MATHS PARENT DROP-IN SESSIONS  
WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER (9.45-10.45AM) AND  
THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER (2.00-3.00PM)

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Y5/6  
FOOTBALL CANCELLED  
THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER DUE TO MATCHES





YEAR 6

THE WEEK AHEAD



This week the boys have completed their reading, writing and maths assessments-well done to all for working very hard!

Outside of this, we have been continuing with our work on metric and imperial units in maths, for example how to convert between miles and kilometres!

We have also continued with our dreadful menace work in English. This has included exploring the range of features used in the poem and the language used. The boys annotated the poem, picking up on key vocabulary and features of figurative language that we will build on next week.

In Computing we have continued our work on Coding and what the word self-esteem means in PSHE.

Next week, we are looking forward to seeing the theatre show at JCG which will be about the Occupation in Jersey.

### WHAT'S NEW?

What is the 5:8 ratio rule with miles and km?

What does the word menace mean?

### WHAT'S NEXT?

What is personification-can you think of an example?

What are ratios and proportions?

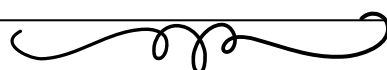
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*Reminder*



Y5/6  
FOOTBALL CANCELLED  
THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER DUE TO MATCHES





## Senior Choir

We have been given an amazing opportunity to be involved in the video of a Christmas song! I've been given the below information:

I am writing to see if your school choir would be interested in singing for a Channel Island BBC backed Initiative involving over 25 schools across the Channel Islands in Jersey Guernsey Alderney Herm and Sark.

The song was written and recorded by a singer from Guernsey (Emily Fern) and recorded at Abbey Road earlier in the year with the London Symphony Orchestra.

The videographer is coming on the 9 December at 2pm so we need to learn the song as soon as possible! I've put the link to the song below and everything is on the boys' SeeSaw to practice. They will need to know it off by heart ideally. It's already being played on the radio so it's going to be a really amazing project to be a part of! I will assume that anyone who has given the school their photograph permission is happy for their son to be involved, but please let me know if you do not want your son taking part in this project.

[Christmas Dream - Emily Fern & LSO](#)

Thanks so much,  
Miss Lezala

