Dear Parents,

### A message from the Mini Vinnies

We have been working hard to raise our first amount of money for the charity. We would like to say a big thank you to all children and parents who contributed to our first fundraiser by either attending our art gallery or designing the bunting.

We met this week to count the money collected. We can now reveal we raised approximately £270. We are looking forward to doing more fundraisers and continuing to raise money to support the St Vincent de Paul society.



## Here is a photo of our newly commissioned Mini-Vinnies

## Art Competition Winners

It was incredibly hard to decide on the winners of the art competition but with the help of the President and Vice President of the mini-Vinnies, the following children were selected. Amara in Rec, Nazario in Y2, William in Y2, Mia in Y3, Mia in Y4, Andrea in Y4, Sebastian in Y5 and Athena in Y5. Everyone who entered also got a merit. The art gallery was a great success so thank you to everyone involved.



#### Y4 Greek Day

This week Year 4 'took a flight' to Ancient Greece for their Greek Day. There were some fantastic costumes on show. The children designed their own mythical creature, participated in a mini Olympics, tested their gods and goddesses knowledge with a quiz before preparing and tasting some Greek food including feta cheese and tzatziki.







#### Y6 Science visit to St Michael's

Throughout this week both of our Year 6 classes had the exciting opportunity to go and visit St Michael's for a morning in their science labs. During the morning, the children learned all about hazards within labs and the importance of keeping themselves safe when working in lab classrooms. They participated in different activities around hazards. They also watched a few experiments, had the opportunity to see how Bunsen burners are used and carried out an experiment to notice what happened to the flame when certain chemicals were used. It was a very exciting opportunity for the children and gave them an insight to what science lessons in secondary school will entail.





#### **Sporting Events**

This week we have had our annual visit from the BMX academy who provide children in Year 4, 5 and 6 an opportunity to participate in scooting, in-line skating and BMX biking respectively. The workshops allow the children to build their confidence, resilience and teamwork as well as performing tricks in a safe environment with former world champions. The professionals leading the workshops all commented on how impressed they were with our children, particularly those who had to overcome initial nerves of taking part.

The Year 5/6 girls team took part in an end of season friendly tournament as part of the latest 'let girls play' initiative to allow equal access for girls to participate in sport in primary schools. It was a hugely successful event as not only did the girl's team win the tournament but they won the tournament without conceding a single goal. A fantastic effort from them all and a wonderful way to end the year!







### Congratulations

A very big well done to Cali and Scarlett from 4L who are part of ACA Mazerines cheerleaders. This season has been a difficult one with a rival team who saw Mazerines in 2nd place on two occasions by the smallest of margins - 0.01 of a point, or as the girls would say the difference between a pointed toe or not! Last week in the final competition of the season the girls worked so hard, applied their training, embraced their resilience and claimed the top spot of 'Future Cheer International Champions' by a whopping 3% over their rivals who have never lost to a Mazerine team before. You should be so proud of yourselves girls!





Well done to Pavishan in Year 4S who has completed his Neo Anzan maths programme!



I hope you all have a great weekend. The current forecast is for extremely hot weather on Monday, so please make sure your child comes to school wearing sun cream and brings a hat and water bottle. We will limit their time outside if necessary.

Best wishes, Mrs Machin





# Nursery

We have been revisiting and reinforcing our knowledge of Nursery rhymes. You can help at home by: singing Nursery rhymes together.

# Reception

We have been learning: about the animal called 'glis glis'. We went to Tring Museum to find out about their habitats.

You can help at home by: discussing with your child different animals and their habitats. Year 1

We have been learning: about religious symbols, in particular the cross. You can help at home by: hunting around the local area looking for crosses.

Year 2

We have been learning: how to use tallies. You can help at home by: counting items with your child and recording it as a tally.

Year 3

We have been learning: about wind pollination. You can help at home by: asking your child to explain the process of wind pollination.

Year 4

We have been learning: about Greek mythical creatures as part of our Greek Day. You can help at home by: asking your child what creature they created and which animals were from which creature.

Year 5

We have been learning: about Islam in RE. You can help at home by: asking your child to explain what happens during Ramadan and why this is an important month in the Islamic calendar.

Year 6

We have been learning: our stage positions for our production. You can help at home by: continuing to help your child learn their lines.