Mini Vinnies



at St. John Fisher Catholic Primary School



In our school we need the MINI VINNIES!

Who are the Mini Vinnies?

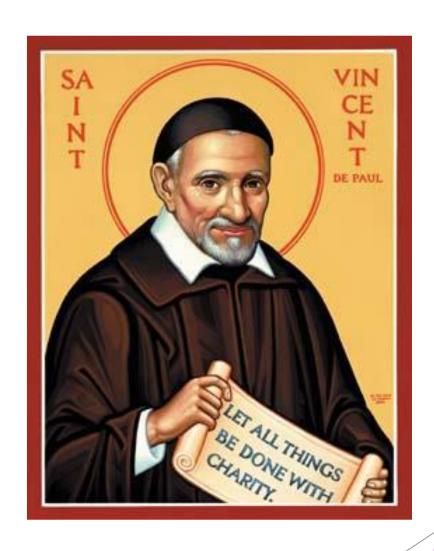
The Mini Vinnies are quite literally mini St. Vincent de Paul's.

Mini Vinnies are 7 to 11 year olds based in schools and parishes across England and Wales, and in several other countries across the world. They come together to form a part of the <u>St. Vincent de Paul Society England and Wales</u>, a voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms. Mini Vinnies meet to pray, discuss and support however they can to help make a difference in their communities.

Mini Vinnies truly turn concern into action as they use the simple formula of 'see, think, do' to find people in need and help them. They might help by:

- Writing cards for children in hospital
- Visiting local care homes to sing or play games with the residents
- Knitting scarves for the homeless
- •Running food collections for a local foodbank

Mini Vinnies is part of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, or SSVP for short.



Ived about 500 years ago and dedicated his whole life to serving the poor and needy.

We help people in whatever way we can;

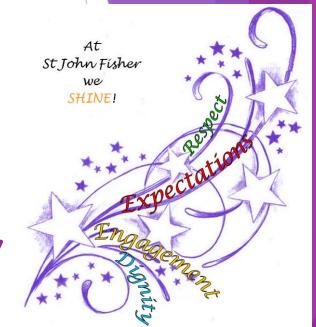
- ·Food
- ·Clothes
- Other donations
- Advice
- · A listening ear

...and any other way we can think of!

In St. John Fisher our Shining Lights will take on the role of being a Mini Vinnie.

Jobs include...

- Meet with their group- say prayers, talk about how you can help others, plan charity work
- ·Help people in the best way that you can
- •Learn a lot about themselves, others and the world!



We can change the world . . .



With just your hands and your heart.