



ST JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC PRIMARY



WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Friday 21st May 2026

Dear Parents,

“The extraordinary outpouring of Pentecost continues. The Holy Spirit transforms us and wants to transform the world.” Pope Francis (Pope from 2013-2025)

Pentecost is not just a historical event. The Holy Spirit is alive and active today. We invite each of you to choose one of the following qualities to ask the Holy Spirit for today: courage, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, kindness, goodness, faithfulness or self-control.

Pentecost Sunday is popularly known as the birthday of the Church. This was the day when Jesus' disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and the mission of the Church truly began, almost 2,000 years ago.

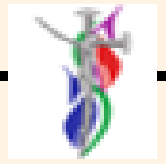
FUTURE DATES

- 1st Jun – BACK TO SCHOOL
- 9th Jun – Big Bang Science Fair – Y6
- 10th Jun – Piano/Guitar Assembly
- 12th Jun – Gala Day
- 14th Jun – Children's Mile
- 17th Jun – Nursey Inspire Workshop – 9am
- 17th June – Nursery New Patents Meeting – 4pm
- 19th Jun – KS2 Twycross Zoo
- 19th Jun – Nursery Assembly – 9am
- 22nd Jun – N and R Twycross Zoo
- 6th & 7th Jul – School Play

OUR MISSION THIS WEEK

Create a “Come Holy Spirit” Pentecost poster. Make sure it is bright and colourful, then display it proudly at home. Let it be a reminder to invite the power of the Holy Spirit into your heart.





CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Year 6, who were confirmed this week by Bishop Richard Walker. The children were extremely well prepared by Mrs Holmes and Mrs Cook and were able to answer all of the Bishop's questions when he visited. A special thank you goes to Mrs Holmes and Mrs Cook for all of their hard work behind the scenes.

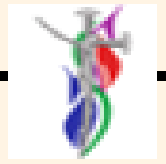
Thank you also to the choir and all the staff who supported this wonderful occasion. Most importantly, we thank Bishop Richard Walker for confirming the children and Fr Alex for helping to make this such a special moment in the children's journey of faith.

Congratulations to Year 5, who attended a Flourish event in Knowle. The children learned about sustainability and deepened their faith through outdoor learning. Their behaviour was exemplary.

Well done to the whole school for their beautiful singing during Our Lady's Mass. Thank you for all the flowers that were brought into school. Rather than letting them go to waste, we delivered them to St Jude's Care Home, where they brought joy to many people.

Congratulations to Miss Shailer, who will begin a new role in September as EYFS Lead at Richard Lee School. We wish her every happiness in her new position and every success for the future, and we hope that she never forgets us. We are delighted to announce that Mrs Phillips has been appointed to lead Nursery. Mrs Phillips is already familiar with our school community, having previously worked in Nursery, Reception and across the school.

Congratulations also to Mrs Ryan, who has secured a teaching post for next year at Christ the King School. She will be greatly missed, but we know she will always remain part of our school and MAC family. Well done, Mrs Ryan.



LOST PROPERTY

All unnamed lost property with the SJV logo was available to view on Tuesday; however, none of the items were claimed. These items have now been donated to the SJV PTA Purple Shop to be sold.

Please also take a look at the non-logo lost property items. If you recognise any of them, please contact the school office and we will arrange for them to be sent home with your child.



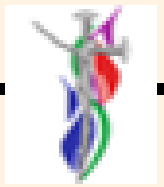
REMINDER

The deadline to order uniform is the 5th June

I hope you all have a wonderful half-term holiday, and I hope the sun shines brightly for you all.



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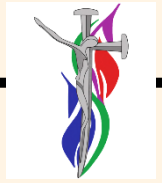
Well done to the Stars of the week

Nursery	Reeva & Kolm
Reception	Edison & Sinead
Year 1	Oliver & Aidan
Year 2	Ren-Yee & Poppy
Year 3	Anna & Erinn
Year 4	Edith & Harry
Year 5	Anais & Franco
Year 6	Ming, Elody & Bobby
Sports	Bobby (Y1) & Funmilayo (Y5)



ATTENDANCE SJV

EYFS and KS1		KS2	
Class Name	Weekly Attendance	Class Name	Weekly Attendance
Nursery	90.16%	Year 3	95.56% 
Reception	94.07%	Year 4	99.31% 
Year 1	91.11%	Year 5	99.63% 
Year 2	95.19% 	Year 6	98.26% 



WEEKLY DIARY

Date's may be subject to change – please check your emails regularly

Monday 1st June 2026

BACK TO SCHOOL

Choir – KS2 – Lunchtime

Dance – KS2 – 3.15pm-4.00pm

Netball Training – Yr 5 & 6 – 3.15pm-4.15pm

Tuesday 2nd June 2026

Reception Music – Lunchtime

Recorder Club KS2 – 3.15-4.00 p.m.

Boys Football Training – 3.15-4.15pm – **NO SESSION**

Girl's Football Match against Holy Family (Home)

Wednesday 3rd June 2026

Running Club Key Stage 2 – 8.00 – 8.30 a.m.

Guitar Tuition

Dance Year 1 and 2 – 3.15-4.00 p.m.

Girls Football Training – 3.15 -4.15 p.m.

Thursday 4th June 2026

Mini-Tennis - Year 5 & 6 - 7.45 to 8.30 a.m.

Piano Tuition

Creative Flair Dance Year 1 - 4 – Lunchtime

Cricket – 3.15-4.15p.m

Friday 5th June 2026

KS1 Trip to Twycross Zoo



St John Vianney
Catholic Primary School

Part of Holy Cross Catholic MAC

GALA DAY

Let's celebrate our school community!

Join us for a fun-filled day for the whole family
with food, games, entertainment and more!

Friday 12th June 2026

We need your help!

We're looking for volunteers to help make
our Gala Day a great success.



COOKING



BAR



STALLS



SETTING UP

Many hands make light work!



Please sign up or let the office know how
you can help – every bit makes a difference!



sjv_adminstaff@hccmac.co.uk



024 7646 4088

Thank you for supporting our school community!

FITNESS & FUN HOLIDAY CLUB

Suitable for all 8-11 year olds

Wednesday 27th – Friday 29th May 2026

📍 St Augustine's Primary School, Radford, Coventry

⊕ £22.50 per child per day • 3 days for £60

Packed With Fun & Fitness!

- 🎮 Fun Games
- 🏃 Fitness Challenges
- 🌐 Learn Movement Skills
- 🏋️ Mini Hyrox
- 🏊 Build Strength & Coordination

- A high-energy, confidence-boosting holiday club for all children - keeping them moving, smiling, and having loads of fun with friends!

🐦 **Book Your Place!**

📞 Call or message Sarah: 07812790616 ✉ Email: sarah@fitnessandfuncic.co.uk

Hearing Screening Clinics for Reception Children



Did you know your child is entitled to a free hearing test whilst they are in reception class? Here are signs that may indicate hearing difficulties:

- Not responding when called
- Speaking very loudly
- Frequently asking for repetitions or responding inappropriately
- Increasing volume on devices
- Appearing to daydream
- Slow to learn or unclear speech
- Frequent frustration or aggression

May-July 2026

May

Mon 11th May 26
9:15am - 4:30pm
Pathways Family Hub
Laurence Saunders
Road, Radford
CV6 1HD

Thurs 28th May 26
9:30am - 4:45pm
Central Library,
West Orchard Way,
CV1 1FY

June

Wed 17th June 26
9:30am - 4:00pm
Moat Family Hub,
Deedmore Road,
CV2 1EQ

July

Thurs 2nd July 26
9:15am - 4:30pm
Harmony Family Hub,
Clifton Street,
Hillfields,
CV1 5GR

Mon 13th July 26
9:15am - 4:30pm
Aspire Family Hub,
Humber Avenue,
CV1 2SF

To book an appointment, contact the School Nursing team using the details below. Please include the following details: child's full name, child's date of birth, school attended by the child, contact email address, telephone number and preferred clinic location and date.



Main contact tel: 01926 495321 Ext 7494



Email: Swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about WHATSAPP

AGE RESTRICTION

13+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

With more than two billion active users, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients, but even WhatsApp itself can read them. The UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging, but for the time being, this controversial feature remains.

EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a favourite hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include going on the larger WhatsApp, requesting a money transfer service or a special emergency – plus a combination of these. Scammers often use a combination of tactics, such as asking to be added to your account, then asking you to WhatsApp a link or to text you to request the link back to them, giving them access.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To avoid a scam, someone who needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user they want to message. Therefore, if a scammer has your green tick permission, you can be contacted by someone they don't know. They can send their contact from the WhatsApp app. It's also possible that the scammer will be added to a group chat or community by one of their friends, for example, convincing other people they don't know.

FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp is commonly used to spread fake news, often in the form of a video or image. It's often used to spread the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app more quickly. A 'forwarded' message is often used to spread fake news. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original – and might not be entirely factual either.

CHAT LOCK AND SECRET CODES

In 2021, WhatsApp introduced a feature that lets users 'lock' their chats by requiring 'secret codes' to be entered before their privacy settings, messages or voice calls. There is an additional feature – 'Secret Codes' – where users can set a unique password for locked chats. Unfortunately, this creates the potential for young people to fall victim to scammers and cyberstalking if their parents wouldn't approve it.

VIEW ONCE CONTENT

The ability to view images or messages that can only be viewed once is often used to spread WhatsApp users, sharing inappropriate material to abusive users, knowing that the recipient can't report them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People want to be able to download the disappearing content – but it's not always possible. WhatsApp has introduced a new feature, using a combination of privacy.

VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'Live Location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking their teen's whereabouts. However, it's important to be aware that a user's location can be shared with anyone in a group chat, even if they're not a member of the group. Parents should be aware that their child's location can be shared with anyone in a group chat, even if they're not a member of the group.

Advice for Parents & Educators

EMPHASISE CAUTION

Messages claimed to be from unexpected messages with numbers get them to consider whether it sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know what to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages, having to have any confirmation about a further level of permission to that WhatsApp account.

ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's always a good idea to check a child's WhatsApp settings to ensure what they can see and who they can add them to group chats, without needing approval. You can give permission to be contacted by anyone or by contacts only. It's also possible to use 'Live Location', but it's important that they should understand this function for only to use it if they need to and they know it all.

CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

Check to see the child about how they're using WhatsApp, making sure they know you can help them with any issues. If you spot a contact that's not who they say they are, you should report it to WhatsApp. If you're not sure who they are, you should report it to WhatsApp. If you're not sure who they are, you should report it to WhatsApp. If you're not sure who they are, you should report it to WhatsApp.

DISCUSS GROUP CHATS

Make children aware that there could be members of a group that they don't know, and that they could be contacted. Encourage them to be wary of giving personal details to anyone in a group chat, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages, having to have any confirmation about a further level of permission to that WhatsApp account.

THINK BEFORE SHARING

Help children understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and often fun – to share photos and videos, but it's important to think before sharing. Encourage them to be aware that a user's location can be shared with anyone in a group chat, even if they're not a member of the group.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Buchanan is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various educational papers and carried out research for the Australian Government concerning internet use and online behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



#WakeUpWednesday

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