



St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th November 2022



Dear Parents,

They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning
We will remember them.



This week we have focused as a school on peace and reconciliation especially as we move towards Remembrance Sunday. Year 6 led the school in their assembly on Peace. Their singing was wonderful to hear throughout the school and the children read so well. A big thank you to the families that were able to attend, I hope that you enjoyed the assembly as much as we did. Thank you to Mrs Holmes and Mrs Cook who worked so hard behind the scenes.

Year 5 have celebrated a class Mass in Church on the theme of Remembrance and have said prayers for all those we have lost. Well done to Year 5 for reading so clearly. Thank you to Mrs Littlewood and Miss Gosling for supporting the children. During the month of November we turn our prayers towards those we have lost and say 'The Eternal Rest'. The children across the school are becoming more familiar with this prayer and it is one that most of you will know so please try and say this prayer at home.

Congratulations to Year 3 for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Church after Mass this morning. This time of year will be very memorable and poignant for you. I hope that the peace you receive today will be renewed every time you receive the Sacrament of reconciliation.

Year 3 and Year 4 have been invited to attend Mass this weekend and we look forward to seeing Year 3 make their commitment to the sacramental programme and develop their faith as they move to making their First Holy Communion next year. Year 4 are their role models and will support them on this journey. Both classes will receive a gift in Church.

We would like you to keep Mr Carroll in your prayers and wish him a speedy recovery from his operation. We hope to see him back in school in the next couple of weeks. Get Well Soon Mr Carroll

This week the governors have visited school to see the excellent work taking place in RE across the school. The governors regularly visit school to view the standards and work. They were very impressed with the pupil's behaviour and the standard of their work as well as the teaching and learning that takes place within school.

I am pleased to advise that the recent Cafod cake sale raised £168.30. Thank you for your support of this fundraising event.

Flu Vaccinations - Information has been sent about the flu vaccinations for children from Reception to Year 6 which will take place on 23rd November - please follow the link on the letter sent to advise whether or not you give consent to your child receiving their vaccination. **The deadline is Sunday 13th November**





"Nothing beats kindness," said the horse. "It sits quietly beyond all things."

We are encouraging our children to show kindness to each other. Small acts of kindness go a long way especially as we do not know what is going on in each other's lives. We are creating an act of kindness tree in school, please help your child to recognise small acts of kindness at home.

KS1 Trips - thank you to everyone who has returned their consent for the trips and made payment via Arbor. If you have not already done so please send in consent and make payment as soon as possible.

Payment and consent is required by: Friday 2nd December

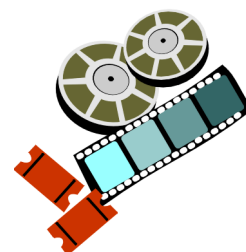


Reception 2023 - Our Reception Class 2023 Open Morning takes place on 17th November 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - this is an opportunity for new parents to have a look around our school. All parents are invited to see our classes in action and have a guided tour.

Parents Open Morning - On 17th November between 9.00 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. we are also inviting our current parents to visit school – this is an opportunity to look around the school and see some of the things we have achieved since September. New and old parents are very welcome - tours should take around 15 to 20 minutes and will be staggered.

Nursery 2023 - We will also have an Open Afternoon for Nursery 2023 on 17th November from 3.45 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. - this will be the opportunity for parents to view our new Nursery. Information about applying for Nursery 2023 will also be available on the day.

Movie Night - Our Movie Night on 23rd November has a Christmas theme and the children are already looking forward to this event. Letters have been sent out this week, please ensure you return the reply slip with payment by the deadline of **10.00 a.m. on Friday 18th November.** The money raised by the PTA goes towards so many things for your children so please support us if you can.



Emotion Coaching - Coventry Educational Psychology Team will be running a FREE session for parents on Emotion Coaching on **Tuesday 29th November at 3.45 p.m. in school.**

Emotion Coaching is an approach that parents can use with children and young people to support their emotional development. Research suggests that Emotion Coached children and young people:

- Are more emotionally stable
- Are more resilient
- Achieve more academically in school
- Have fewer behavioural problems

This session will introduce the steps of Emotion Coaching and its scientific basis, and will involve practical activities and resource-sharing so that parents can begin to use this evidence-based approach straight after the session.

If you would like to take part in the session please email adminstaff@sjv.coventry.sch.uk to reserve your place.

Childcare Vouchers - Please note that childcare vouchers can only be used for Owls club and Nursery - they cannot be used for school meals, trips etc.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING



Defined as "ongoing hurtful behaviour towards someone online", cyber-bullying makes its victims feel upset, uncomfortable and unsafe. In the digital world, it has numerous forms – such as hurtful comments on a person's posts or profile; deliberately leaving them out of group chats; sharing embarrassing images or videos of someone; or spreading gossip about them. Cyber-bullying can severely impact a young person's mental health... so, in support of Anti-Bullying Week, we've provided a list of tips to help trusted adults know what to look for and how to respond to it.



1. GET CONNECTED

Playing online games together with your child or connecting with them on social media (providing they're old enough) is not only fun but also an excellent way of establishing some common ground to discuss things you've both seen or done online – as well as keeping an eye on who your child is communicating with in the digital world.

2. KEEP TALKING

Regular chats with young people about their online lives are good practice in general, but they can also be an excellent refresher to help prevent cyber-bullying situations. Topics you might want to revisit include why it's important to only connect online with people we know and trust, and why passwords should always remain secret (even from our best friends).

3. STAY VIGILANT

Observe your child while they're using technology and just after they've used it. Are they acting normally, or out of character? Possible signs of a problem may include seeming quiet or withdrawn, jumpy or anxious, angry or repeatedly checking their phone. When you feel it's the right time, you may want to check in with them to see if everything is OK.

4. MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE

If an online bullying incident does occur, it may take a while before your child is ready to open up about what happened. Just gently remind them that they can always come to you with any problems – and that they won't be in trouble. You might also suggest a trusted family member they could turn to, in case they feel too embarrassed to tell you directly.

5. BE PREPARED TO LISTEN

When conversations about online bullying do take place, they're likely to be difficult, emotional and upsetting for both you and your child. Actively listen to your child while they're bringing you up to speed, and try not to show any judgement or criticism – even if they haven't dealt with the situation in exactly the way you would have hoped.

FURTHER SUPPORT AND ADVICE

If you or your child need additional help with an online bullying issue, here are some specialist organisations that you could reach out to.

Childline: talk to a trained counsellor on 0800 1111 or online at www.childline.org.uk/get-support/

National Bullying Helpline: counselors are available on 0845 225 5787 or by visiting www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html

The NSPCC: the children's charity has a guide to the signs of bullying at www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/ and can be reached on 0800 800 5000

6. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD

Depending on their age, your child might not want a parent 'fighting their battles for them'. In that case, talk through their options with them (blocking the perpetrator, deleting the app and so on). By allowing your child to choose the path they take, you're putting them in control but are also demonstrating that you're there to support them along the way.

7. REPORT BULLIES ONLINE

Cyber-bullying often takes place through a particular app, social media platform or online game. If this is happening to your child, encourage them to report the offender to the app or game in question – ideally with screenshots to support their complaint. Most games and apps have reporting tools specifically to stamp out abusive behaviour and protect users.

8. ENCOURAGE EMPATHY

Protecting themselves online is the priority, of course, but young people should also feel empowered to help if they witness other people falling victim to cyberbullying. Even if they don't feel confident enough to call someone out on their abusive behaviour online, they can still confidentially report that person to the app or game where the bullying occurred.

9. SEEK EXPERT ADVICE

Victims of online bullying frequently experience feelings of isolation and anxiety, a loss of self-esteem and potentially even thoughts of self-harm or suicide. If you think that an incident of cyber-bullying has affected your child's mental wellbeing, then seek psychological support for them. There are some useful contact details in the central panel below.

10. INVOLVE THE AUTHORITIES

If the nature of any online bullying makes you suspect that your child is genuinely in imminent physical danger – or if there are any signs whatsoever of explicit images being shared as part of the bullying – then you should gather any relevant screenshots as evidence and report the incidents to your local police force.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland 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 academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Stars of the Week

Nursery	Robyn, Jacob
Reception	Corney, Jessica
Year 1	Mikey, Megan
Year 2	Funmilayo, Ella-Rose
Year 3	Whole class for outstanding R.E. work
Year 4	Atticus, Jessica
Year 5	Isla, Alvin
Year 6	Chloe S, Finnen-Lee

Future Dates - Please note that we have now arranged the following sacraments:

First Holy Communion - Year 3 - Saturday 13th May 2023 - a.m.

Confirmation - Year 6 - Saturday 24th June 2023 - 6.00 p.m.



Reading Books

Reading books to be brought into school on Tuesdays and Fridays.



Starting Primary School in September 2023

Children born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 can start school in September 2023. For more information about school admissions and to apply online at www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions. Telephone 02476 831622/1613. Closing date for applications is **15th January 2023**.

Please note: If you wish to apply to a Catholic school and your child is baptised Catholic evidence of your child's baptism must be provided at the time of application to the school office or to the Admissions Team. It is your responsibility to obtain and present this evidence.

Please note that due to Covid19 restrictions we are currently unable to invite parents to visit the school. A virtual tour of the school is available to view on the website.

Reception 2023 Open Morning

We will be holding an Open Morning on Thursday 17th November 2022 between 9.15 a.m. to 10.15 a.m.

Building Fund Contributions to the school building fund are now due for the Autumn Term (£10.00 per child or £15.00 per family) or for the whole school year (£30.00 per child or £45.00 per family).

Please make your donations via Arbor.



Dates may be subject to change – please check your emails regularly

Saturday 12th November - Year 3 Mass of Commitment & Year 4 to attend Mass - 6.00 p.m.

Monday, 14th November

Choir - KS2 - lunchtime

Dance - KS2 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m.

P.T.A. meeting **5.00 p.m.** online

Tuesday, 15th November

Running Club - Year 3/4 - 8.00 to 8.30 a.m. - **NO SESSION**

Boys Football Squad Training –Year 5/6 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Multi-skills - Year 1 & 2 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m.

Recorder Club - KS2 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m.

Art Club - Year 5 & 6 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m.



Wednesday, 16th November

Running Club - Year 5 & 6 - 8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. - **NO SESSION**

Mini-Tennis - Year 3 & 4 - 7.45 to 8.30 a.m.

Guitar Tuition

Girls Football Squad Training - Year 5/6 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Dance - Year 1 & 2 - 3.15 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Thursday, 17th November

New Reception Open Morning - 9.00 to 10.15 a.m.

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

Piano Tuition

Creative Flair Dance - Year 3 & 4 - 12.00 to 12.30 p.m.

Creative Flair Dance - Year 1 & 2 - lunchtime

Hockey - Year 4 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m.

Netball match - away v Christ the King School

Netball Squad Training - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Nursery 2023 Open Afternoon - 3.45 to 4.15 p.m.

Friday, 18th November

Deadline for Movie Night replies - 10.00 a.m.

Future Dates

Wednesday 23rd November	- Flu Immunisation - Reception to Year 6
	- Movie Night
Thursday 24th November	- Boys football match - home v St Mary & St Benedict's School - tbc
Thursday 1st December	- Reception Class Prayer Service - 9.00 a.m.
Saturday 3rd December	- Year 1 and Year 2 to attend Mass - 6.00 p.m.

Don't forget to follow us @sjohnvianney and you can also see our twitter feed on our website.

Please follow us on our main Twitter account: SJV@sjohnvianney

And then also follow your child's phase as seen below:

Year 5 and 6	SJVupper
Year 3 and 4	SJVmiddle
Year 1 and 2	SJVlower
Reception Class (EYFS)	SJVEYFS
Owls Club follow -	@OwlsClubSJV



Facebook - SJV PTA have a Facebook page. If you would like to have access and be added to the page, simply search 'Sjv pta' and submit your request, one of the current members will see your request and add you accordingly.

