



St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th July 2023



Dear Parents,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus invites us to experience the true peace and rest that his companionship brings. He wants to walk alongside us to help lighten life's load. At all times (and particularly whenever we feel overburdened, worried or afraid) Jesus calls us and our children to share, through prayer, any troubles or upsets with him.

Jesus wants to be our companion through life – to be there for us always, reminding us that we are loved by God.

I have been wowed this week by the amazing singing I have heard throughout the school. Year 2 and Year 5 have been learning to sing in Latin in preparation for our Holy Cross Feast Day.

Nursery sang in the hall in front of loads of parents and Year 1 and Year 4, this was a massive achievement. We were amazed by everything that you are able to do. You were fabulous, congratulations Nursery. Thank you to Mrs Drohan -Mills, Miss Cook and Mrs Ryan,

Year 6 are singing their hearts out in the hall in preparation for our Lion King production. Anyone coming to see the performance will be totally surprised by the hidden talent in Year 6.

Year 1 are busy preparing for their assembly which is on Friday 14th July at 9:00 a.m. They look forward to showing you their talents.



Any donations of toys and games in good condition would be greatly appreciated by SJV Owls Club. Thank you!



SJV Owls Club

SJV Owls Club which provides before and after school care for the children of St John Vianney School. The charges for Owls Club are as follows:

Morning session - 7.30 to 8.30 a.m. - £4.75 (includes a light breakfast)

Afternoon session - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - £4.75 (includes a snack)

Late afternoon session - 3.15 to 5.30 p.m. - £7.50 (includes a snack)

If you are interested in your child attending Owls Club and would like more information please email owls@sjv.coventry.sch.uk or phone the school office.



SJV Owls Activity Club

Owls Club are now also offering after school sessions as follows:

Maximum number in the group 30. Activities are open to all children in school from Nursery to Year 6

Monday 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. - **Lego Club** – play with Lego and use Lego interactive with the school computers



Tuesday 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. - **Computer Club** - Bee-bots, computers and tablets

Wednesday 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. – **Art Club**

Thursday 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. - **Games night** - Bingo, cards, dominoes, board games



Friday 3.15 - 4:15 p.m. - **Homework club**- reading and support with homework

Sessions will be charged at £4.75 per session payable via Arbor.

Pupils can sign up for a monthly block of sessions but also choose to do the other activities in Owls club if they prefer. If your child would like to sign up for any of these sessions please email owls@sjv.coventry.sch.uk for more information and an application form.

Important!



From September 2023, if you are more than 10 minutes late collecting your child at the end of the school day, they will be put into Owls Club and you will be charged £5.

Free School Meals



If you think that you may qualify for free school meals, even if your child is in KS1 or does not want to receive school meals, please take the time to apply as the school will receive additional funding if you qualify. Please apply at: **Free School Meals – Coventry City Council**

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

RUMBLE

AGE RESTRICTION
12+

on the App Store:
"Teen" on Google Play

A video-sharing platform designed as an alternative to YouTube, Rumble is the epitome of a 'slow burner' in digital circles: it was initially launched in 2013, but it's only in the last two or three years that it's begun to gain serious traction. Much of Rumble's recent growth has stemmed from its association with Truth Social, the platform founded by former US President Donald Trump. Rumble's content frequently reflects some intense political viewpoints; this can often affect the way it approaches topics and has occasionally caused the platform to venture into controversial territory.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS

The company which developed Rumble is also responsible for hosting Truth Social, the often contentious news and social network founded by Donald Trump. Indeed, Rumble's content often reflects the ideas of one group of US voters, who have embraced it as an alternative to more mainstream social media. Many parents may feel that such an overtly political platform isn't suitable for young people.

PROVOCATIVE CONTENT

Rumble prides itself on championing free speech, with its CEO declaring the platform "immune to cancel culture". Many of Rumble's highest-profile content creators – such as Andrew Tate and Russell Brand – are well known for sharing opinions which are often described as extreme. While adults might be equipped to treat this content objectively, much of it may not be appropriate for a young audience.

INAPPROPRIATE MATERIAL

In very simple terms, Rumble works a little like YouTube but with far fewer censors and restrictions being applied to its content. If age-inappropriate material or potentially harmful misinformation is trending on the platform and being shared among more mature users, there's a distinct possibility that Rumble's algorithm may also recommend that content to a child.

CONTROVERSIAL FIGURES

Many of Rumble's best-known accounts are owned by individuals who have previously been banned from other social media platforms. There could, of course, be a variety of reasons behind this – but it almost certainly increases the chances of your child coming across content on Rumble which probably wouldn't be deemed acceptable on other similar platforms.

SENSITIVE TOPICS

In recent months, some prominent Rumble influencers have expressed uncompromising views on sensitive subjects such as gun control, abortion, LGBTQ issues and more. With many Rumble accounts tending to display a noticeable political bias, the concern would be that young people using the platform may not always be presented with an impartial perspective on these important and complex topics.

Advice for Parents & Carers

TALK ABOUT POLITICS

Rumble does have a team of moderators, but the nature of the platform means that some permitted content is likely to be controversial and highly subjective. That possibility might make many parents uncomfortable – but if your child does view (or hear about) something provocative on Rumble, it can still provide a useful opportunity to discuss politics at home in a safe, relaxed environment.

CHECK UP REGULARLY

Like any video-sharing platform, there's a chance that Rumble might suggest inappropriate content for your child. There may be an algorithm issue – or it could be that the recommendations are based on videos they've previously viewed. If your child uses Rumble, you might consider a chat with them about which accounts they follow and what type of content is suitable for their age.

RESEARCH ALTERNATIVES

No video-sharing platform is totally free from potentially harmful content, of course – but the number of prominent account holders on Rumble whose output has previously been banned from similar services is certainly a cause for concern. If your child is becoming interested in influencer culture or politics specifically, you could perhaps research more family-friendly platforms together.

DISCUSS IMPARTIALITY

Many prominent Rumble accounts wear their political leanings firmly on their sleeves. As a result, it can be tricky for impressionable young people to appreciate both sides of any given debate. If your child is old enough to use Rumble, you may feel that a discussion of some things they've seen might be prudent – if so, be prepared for some complex (and possibly lengthy) conversations!

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRecon and has worked in the gaming media for around four years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent who understands the value of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.



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Source: <https://www.pewresearch.org/journalism/2022/01/06/prominent-accounts-on-alternative-social-media-sites-mostly-are-individuals-not-organizations/>

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The piano, guitar and ukulele players at school have done a fantastic job in their assemblies this summer. Maybe some of the children who were in the audience at the performances are now feeling inspired to have a go too!

There are some spaces still available for new piano, guitar and ukulele starters after the summer holiday.

Please get in touch by sending a message to **manhattanmusic.coventry@gmail.com** for more information about getting your child signed up to start music lessons after the summer break.



Please remember to cut grapes lengthways in your child's packed lunch.

Reading Books



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



Reminder



The school gates are open every morning between 8.30 and 8.40 a.m. Please ensure your child arrives in school between these times.

Starting Nursery School in September 2023

Application forms and information are available from the school office for parents wishing to apply for their child to start in Nursery in September 2023. Children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 can start Nursery in September 2023.

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).



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



Monday, 10th July

Dance - KS2 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m. – **LAST SESSION**

Transition Day

Tuesday, 11th July

Recorder Club - KS2 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m. - **LAST SESSION**

Wednesday, 12th July

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

Guitar Tuition

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

Thursday, 13th July

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

SEND Review Day

Boys football Match - away v Mount Nod School

Friday, 14th July

Creative Flair Music Club - Reception Class - Lunchtime

Year 1 Class Assembly - 9:00 a.m.

Future Dates

Monday 17th July

- Key Stage 2 Performance (Evening)

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- Swimming Gala - Letters to be sent

Tuesday 18th July

- Key Stage 2 Performance (Afternoon & Evening)

Tuesday 18th July

- Year 6 Footgolf - Letters be to sent

Friday 21st July

- Mass Led by Year 6 - 9:00 a.m.

Friday 21st July

- School closes for Summer Holidays

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