



St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th December 2023



Dear parents,

“Hope is a strength, a grace and a gift from God. Advent increases our hope.”

This week we have had 2 fabulous prayer services one led by Year 2 on the theme of Guardian Angels and the other by Reception on the theme of Advent. The children were fabulous and spoke clearly and sang beautifully. Reception were lucky to have Fr Des attend and he met all the parents afterwards. The prayer service launches our prayer bags so Reception will be taking these home next week. Year 2 will take theirs home after Christmas. We hope that you will enjoy this prayer experience at home.

Congratulations to Year 1 who led a beautiful assembly on Friday. Thank you to Mrs Ryan, Mrs Punian and Miss Carr who have worked hard with the children to learn their words and sing so well.

The rest of the school went to Church to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Year 5 led this Mass and read so well and I think Fr Des was impressed with the singing. Well Done everyone!

**“Always know in your heart that God is by your side. Let us never lose hope!”
Pope Francis**

We take this time at Christmas to think of others less fortunate than ourselves and on Tuesday we ask you to bring to school chocs and socks which will go to the Cyrenians. We are also having our Christmas dinner on this day.

Next week we have the start of our Christmas plays which I am really looking forward to as the singing is amazing.

Thank you to the PTA for cooking and delivering the food for Movie night. Thank you also to the staff who were in charge of all the films. All money raised will go towards replenishing our ICT equipment so thank you so much!



When dropping off or collecting from Owls Club, please phone the school telephone - 02476 464088 - and press option 3

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. - £5.00 (includes a light breakfast)

Afternoon session - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - £5.00 (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 £5.00 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.

Late Collection

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 invoiced for the session.

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 DISNEY+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

The Walt Disney Company's streaming service, Disney+ combines entertainment from the famous animation studio itself with Pixar, Star and National Geographic, plus the Marvel and Star Wars franchises. With access to the latest releases, Disney classics and original series, there's plenty of content to explore. While parents may have noted that adverts have now been introduced on some versions of the service, the platform is – unsurprisingly for a Disney product – designed to be appropriate for the whole family.

LESS SUITABLE CONTENT

While Disney+ is predominantly family friendly, there are some movies and shows in its library which are aimed at an older audience: these may scare younger ones or contain themes or language that you'd rather your child wasn't exposed to. You could avoid such situations by enabling Junior Mode (see 'Adjust content settings', below) or specifying a content age rating for your child's profile.

BINGE WATCHING

With the option to view content on any internet-enabled device and a growing catalogue of movies, cartoons and documentaries, Disney+ can make managing screen time difficult. This could result in children binge watching content, distracting them from activities like homework or socialising. Too much screen time has also been shown to negatively impact mood, sleep patterns and weight.

PHISHING EMAILS

Be especially cautious if you receive emails or text messages purporting to be from Disney+. There have been numerous reports of online scammers impersonating Disney+ staff in an attempt to gain access to subscribers' personal information. Disney+ states it will never email or call customers asking for their payment details, their private information or their password.

ENCROACHING ADVERTS

Disney+ has introduced a new subscription package – Disney+ Standard with Ads – which plays commercials before movies and during shows (like many TV channels). There are no adverts in Junior Mode, but profiles with a content rating of 6+ years will see ads appropriate for that age category. Adults who give consent will see personalised adverts based on their location and viewing history.

ACCESSING ADULTS' PROFILES

If adults don't set a PIN for their profile, children could access it and encounter content which isn't age appropriate. In the settings, Junior Mode has a toggle titled 'Kid-Proof Exit' which requires the user to read four words (numbers, spelled out) and enter them to switch profiles. For older children who can read, though, this isn't secure enough – so using a PIN for adult profiles is recommended.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ADJUST CONTENT SETTINGS

When setting up an account, there's an option to create profiles in what's called Junior Mode. This generally covers material that's suitable for children up to age 6 and is therefore fairly limited. You can give older children a wider choice of viewing by building a standard profile, then going into the settings and choosing a content rating from one of the pre-set alternatives: 6+, 9+, 12+ or 14+.

TURN OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a cartoon, show or movie finishes, Disney+ uses algorithms to identify content with similar themes, which it thinks your child will also enjoy. This suggestion will then automatically begin to play by default. There's an option to turn off this auto-play function in the profile settings, which will encourage your child to take a break from the screen and move on to a different activity.

ADD PIN PROTECTION

Disney+ enables you to effectively lock profiles behind a four-digit PIN. In particular, some of the shows on the platform's Star content hub are far more oriented to adults (including several hard-hitting dramas from US networks), so protecting parents' or older siblings' profiles with a PIN will help to prevent younger children stumbling across material which isn't intended for them.

ENJOY AS A FAMILY

When your child watches a movie or show on Disney+ for the first time, you may want to sit with them to ensure it's suitable. You could do the same when introducing them to older films that you haven't seen for years: your perception of what's appropriate has very probably changed, and some of the language and attitudes in movies from your own childhood may seem quite shocking today.

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	George, Millie
Reception	Max M, Tommy
Year 1	Vinnie, Orlan
Year 2	Caolan, Xksavier
Year 3	Mekhi, Alice
Year 4	Elody, Ming
Year 5	There will be 4 stars next week
Year 6	Harry, Mia



Reminder:

We are a nut free school, please do not pack any nuts in your child's lunchbox.



Reading Books

Reading books to be brought into school everyday

Nursery Places for January 2024

We have limited places available for Nursery starting in January 24. Children must be 3 by 31st December. Please email adminstaff@sjv.coventry.sch.uk for more information and an application pack.

Starting Nursery School in September 2024

Application forms and information are available from the school office for parents wishing to apply for their child to start in Nursery in September 2024. Children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 can start Nursery in September 2024.

There will be an open evening for parents wishing to apply for their child to start nursery in September 2024 on Monday 20th November 3.45-4.15 p.m.

Starting Primary School in September 2024

Children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 can start school in September 2024. 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 2024**.

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.

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).





CHRISTMAS DINNER

12th December 2023

Christmas Dinner at St John Vianney primary School

Main Course

Seasonal Roast Turkey, Pig in blanket, sage and onion stuffing,
Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy

Or

Vegan Quorn Cumberland sausage Wellington with seasonal vegetables
and gravy

Desserts

Iced Christmas Pudding cookie
Fresh Fruit



Christmas Dinner

12th December

The Holy Cross MAC are paying for everyone to have a Christmas dinner

Christmas Plays

12th December KS1 performance gates open at 9:00am

13th December KS1 performance gates open at 9:00am

18th December Reception performance gates open at 9:00am

18th December KS2 performance 6pm

19th December Nursey performance gates open at 9:00am

19th December KS2 performance 6pm

We will let the children into school first and then open the bottom gate



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

Monday, 11th December

Choir - KS2 - Lunch - **NO SESSION**

Dance - KS2 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Tuesday, 12th December

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

Dodgeball - Year 5 - 12.30-2.30 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Recorder Club - KS2 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Boys Football Squad - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Non uniform day - Socks N Chocs appeal

Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production - 9.00 a.m.

Christmas Dinner Day

Girls football match - away vs St Mary & St Benedict

Wednesday, 13th December

Mini-Tennis - Year 3/4 - 7.45 to 8.30 a.m. - **NO SESSION**

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

Guitar Tuition

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

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

Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production - 9.00 a.m.

Thursday, 14th December

Mini-Tennis - Year 5 & 6 - 7.45 to 8.30 a.m. - **NO SESSION**

Piano Tuition

Creative Flair Dance - Year 3 & 4 - 12.00 to 12.30 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Creative Flair Dance - Year 1 & 2 - 12.30 to 1.00 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Hockey - Year 5 - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Netball Squad - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15 to 4.00 p.m. - **NO SESSION**

Friday, 15th December



Future Dates

Monday 18th December

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Tuesday 19th December

Tuesday 19th December

Tuesday 19th December

Wednesday 20th December

Thursday 21st December

Friday 22nd December

- Reception Class Nativity
- Years 3 & 4 Christmas Production - 6.00 p.m.
- Nursery Class Nativity
- Year 1 & 2 Trip to Belgrade Theatre (Cinderella)
- Years 3 & 4 Christmas Production - 6.00 p.m.
- Key Stage 2 Trip to Albany Theatre (Oliver Twist)
- Nursery & Reception Trip to Warwick Arts Centre (Gruffalo)
- Children break up for Christmas Holidays

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

Please follow us on our Twitter account: SJV@sjohnvianney
For 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.

