

Dear Nursery Parents/Guardians,

A very warm welcome to Saint John Vianney Catholic Primary School.

We feel extremely privileged that you have chosen to begin your child's school journey here with us at Saint John Vianney. We look forward to building a partnership with you, your family and your child. We will support your child's Nursery experience and we look forward to supporting your child to grow within their Journey of Faith.

Below we have included some key information that outlines the routines and expectations in Pre-School. We have also included our Curriculum Overview, so that you are familiar with the Early Years Framework and our objectives within our Early Years setting.

Curriculum

We look forward to supporting your child to reach their full potential within our Early Years setting.

We will support your child to grow when learning and becoming confident within their new school setting. We aim to create a real love for learning and a natural passion for the world around them.

We will be following the Early Years Statutory Framework to develop your child's learning. We aim to ignite a curiosity and enthusiasm when learning, supporting them to form relationships and grow in independence. We will focus on the three prime areas for learning; Communication and Language, Physical Development and Personal, Social, Emotional Development. These three prime areas will also support the specific areas of learning which focus on Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design. We have planned an exciting curriculum which will enrich these Prime and Specific areas of learning.

We encourage a love for stories, poems and nursery rhymes. We will share stories, nursery rhymes, number songs and poems within different contexts daily. We ask for your support in reading and singing with your child at home.

We also encourage children to experience a wide range of environments and learning experiences to broaden their understanding of the world around them, their independence, and their vocabulary.



PE

We have Physical Development on **Wednesdays**, you are welcome to send in a change of PE pumps or trainers to keep in Pre-School. We will have daily Physical Development sessions to develop children's fine and gross motor skills.

Forest School

Your child will have a Forest School session every **Wednesday** or **Friday**. Please ensure your child has labelled wellington boots to keep in Nursery.



Expectations

We have high expectations of children when building positive relationships within their new setting. We will expect children to follow daily routines and show respect and care for their Pre-School setting and for the children and adults around them.



We will use positive praise and award one child a week with our 'Owlet' of the week award. They will then have the opportunity to take our class owl home with them for the weekend. We will look forward to hearing about the Owl's adventures the following week.

We look forward to being part of your child's journey and watching them grow and flourish this year and we will support both you and your child to ensure your child has a positive experience within our setting.

Clothing

Please make sure that all clothing and items are clearly labelled with your child's name. We also ask for a labelled water bottle, wellington boots and a change of clothes to be left in nursery.

Many Thanks,

Mrs Drohan – Mills and Mrs Lampett

Please detach, sign and return to school at your earliest convenience, thank you.

To: Mrs Drohan-Mills, St. John Vianney Catholic Primary School

Name of Child:

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I acknowledge receipt of the letter regarding Pre-School routines and areas of study.

Signed (Parent/Guardian):

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Date:

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