

# St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th September 2024



Dear Parents,

*“Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others.”*

Serving others helps to make the world a much better place. God lives in each one of us, so it's good to remember that when we're serving one another, we're serving God too!

Last week our children were amazing celebrating the MAC feast day of the Holy Cross. Year 6 celebrated Mass at St Thomas More Church and we were delighted to see Fr Jonathan who was equally delighted to see Year 6. Year 3 completed the Peace Trail around Coventry Cathedral and learnt more about our Local History as well as the reason we are called the Holy Cross Mac.



Thank you to Year 5 and all family members who were able to join us for our creation Inspire workshop. It was a great success with some amazing clay animals having been created. This was our opportunity to celebrate and give thanks to God for the world that he created. It is now our job to be custodians and look after God's world by Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Replenish. Thank you to Mr Gormley and Mrs Cook for making the session run so smoothly.

### **Attendance this week**

Yr R 96.6%

Yr 1 94.4%

Yr 2 99.3%

Yr 3 92.1%

Yr 4 98.5%

Yr 5 97.9%

Yr 6 97.4%





30<sup>th</sup> September PTA meeting 3:30 starting with tea/coffee and cake followed by AGM everyone welcome



Number workshops happening soon

30<sup>th</sup> Sept – Yr2

8<sup>th</sup> Oct -Yr 1

14<sup>th</sup> Oct – YrR



Year 6 -24<sup>th</sup> Sept

Year5- 15<sup>th</sup> Oct

Year 4- 19<sup>th</sup> Nov

Year 3- 21<sup>st</sup> Jan

Year 2- 25<sup>th</sup> Feb

Year 1- 25<sup>th</sup> March

Year R- 29<sup>th</sup> April



First Holy Communion Meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 6pm in Church parents only 6pm

Yr 6 visit St Chads – 27<sup>th</sup> September

Yr3 commitment Mass -5<sup>th</sup> October

Confirmation Meeting Yr 6 in Church 8<sup>th</sup> October in Church parents and sponsors only 6pm

Yr3 Class Mass 2pm 11<sup>th</sup> October

YrR and Yr6 Welcome and Commitment Mass 6pm in Church

Yr R assembly 2pm 18<sup>th</sup> October



25<sup>th</sup> October

Our Sponsored event!

# School Clubs

Club	Day	Time
Netball Squad - Years 5 & 6	Monday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Dance - Key Stage 2	Monday	3.15 - 4.00 p.m.
Lego Club	Monday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Recorder Club	Tuesday	3.15 - 4.00 p.m.
Boys Football Squad - Years 5 & 6	Tuesday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Fitness Squad - Years 1 & 2	Tuesday	3.15 - 4.15 pm.
Computer Club	Tuesday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Mini Tennis - Years 3 & 4	Wednesday	7.45 - 8.30 a.m.
Running Club Key Stage 2	Wednesday	8.00 - 8.30 a.m.
Girls Football Squad - Years 5 & 6	Wednesday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Art Club	Wednesday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Dance - Years 1 & 2	Wednesday	3.15 - 4.00 p.m.
Mini Tennis - Years 5 & 6	Thursday	7.45 - 8.30 a.m.
Creative Flair Dance - Years 3 & 4	Thursday	12.00 - 12.30 p.m.
Creative Flair Dance - Years 1 & 2	Thursday	12.30 - 1.00 p.m.
Games Night	Thursday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.
Homework Club	Friday	3.15 - 4.15 p.m.

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

**To keep your child safe when collecting, please make sure you stand at the school gate so the staff can clearly see you.**

**Please do not wait in cars.**

### **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. - £5.50 (includes a light breakfast)

Afternoon session - 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. - £5.50 (includes a snack)

Late afternoon session - 3.15 to 5.30 p.m. - £8.00 (includes a snack)

If you are interested in your child attending Owls Club and would like more information please email [sjv\\_owls@hccmac.co.uk](mailto:sjv_owls@hccmac.co.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 £5.50 per session payable via Arbor.



### **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**



# INTERNET SAFETY WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS & CARERS

On **September 26th<sup>th</sup>** and **September 30th**, West Midlands Police will be delivering a **FREE ONLINE SAFETY** workshop for parents and carers living in Coventry.

We will share **guidance and strategies** on how to make the internet a safer experience for children.

A number of different topics will be explored, including:

- *Apps and appropriate ages*
- *Safety settings*
- *Grooming, sexting, bullying, radicalisation and extremism*
- *Gaming*
- *Introducing house rules*
- *How to approach conversations and what to do if your child is a victim*

To view dates and times and to book a place, please [click here](#) or scan the QR code above



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# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about FINAL FANTASY XIV

AGE RESTRICTION  
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## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

The video game Final Fantasy XIV launched in 2010, and, despite being critically panned, it saw an overhaul that has made it one of the biggest success stories in gaming. Its huge world, epic story and versatile combat system have continued to draw in new players, but there's a lot that trusted adults need to be aware of – not least the cost of paying monthly to play.

### ALWAYS ONLINE

Final Fantasy XIV is an MMORPG, which stands for Massively Multiplayer Online Role-Playing Game. Much like World of Warcraft, players create a character in a chosen class and level up by completing quests to gain power and items. The game requires a constant internet connection, whether you're playing on PC, Mac, PlayStation or Xbox, and there's no option to play offline.

### REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As with similar titles in the genre, players can purchase expansions to unlock additional content for the game. Those without the expansions will be locked out of certain new quests and activities, meaning that young people who play regularly will potentially have the next release earmarked on their calendar, ready to buy it as soon as possible.

### IN-GAME PURCHASES & SUBSCRIPTION FEE

Users need to pay £8.99 per month to play Final Fantasy XIV, but there is a free trial. If someone stops paying, they'll lose access to their character (although they'll be able to pick up the payments again and resume where they left off). If a player forgets to cancel their payments, however, those subscription fees will continue rolling on automatically.

### VOICE & TEXT CHAT

Final Fantasy XIV lets players send chat messages in-game or speak to each other over voice chat. On the one hand, that provides plenty of choice for how those enjoying the game can interact with their fellow fans. On the other hand, however, it's easier than in many games to receive unprompted messages from a stranger, with whom you constantly share your play space.

### VIOLENCE

While Final Fantasy XIV has a fairly light tone throughout some of its quests, many involve killing enemies and sometimes even wild animals. The violence isn't especially strong – more comparable to a cartoon or anime style – but the act alone may make some children feel uncomfortable, if they're not yet able to separate fictional harm from the real kind.

### POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

As with World of Warcraft, there's an element of addiction to Final Fantasy XIV. The gameplay loop can be quite engrossing, as minutes turn into hours and hours into days while playing alone or with friends. This can potentially lead to missing real-life events, a lack of interest in any activities not related to the game and procrastination around responsibilities like schoolwork.

FREE TRIAL

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### MANAGE PLAYTIME

Playtime limits are a great way to counter the addictive qualities of games like Final Fantasy XIV. They allow you discuss why it's still important to enjoy things outside of gaming while still letting a child enjoy playing online with their friends when it makes sense to do so. It's all well and good to have fun with a game, so long as they're able to step away and reconnect with the real world.

### MAKE USE OF THE FREE TRIAL

The Final Fantasy XIV free trial is a generous one, with no limits on how long someone can play until their character hits level 70. That's easily dozens of hours for a child to go through the game, complete quests, and see if they enjoy it before purchasing expansions or subscribing to a membership. They may well move on to something else before you need to spend so much as a penny.

### PLAY TOGETHER

The free trial makes it extremely easy to jump into Final Fantasy XIV and play alongside a child, provided they're old enough. Not only does that help you ensure that settings are adjusted for their privacy and safety, but it may also end up becoming a bonding experience for you both and any other family members that want to try it out.

### REMEMBER, IT'S A PEGI 16

Despite its often-relaxing nature, Final Fantasy XIV carries a PEGI 16 rating for violence and drugs (although the latter is due to a character smoking a pipe on occasion). There's minimal blood, but characters can attack enemies (and other players) with weapons and spells. Take a look at some gameplay videos to see if the content is appropriate for a younger player.

### Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Editor-in-Chief of GGRecon, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A longtime fan of online games, he's also a parent, and therefore understands the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his work has previously been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar and plenty more.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

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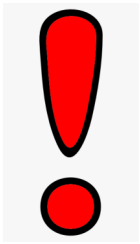
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## Owls Club Payments

If your child attends Owls Club, all payments must be made no later than the date printed on the invoices.

Owls Club is extremely popular, with some days at full capacity, and priority will be given to prompt payers.

If payment is not received by the due date, we reserve the right to withdraw your child's place from Owls Club.



## Medicines in School

We can only give medicines to children where it has been prescribed by a doctor to be taken four times a day.

A medicine form must be completed before we can administer medicine.



### **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**



**School gates are open between 8.30 and 8.40 every morning.**

**Please ensure your child arrives in school before the gates are locked.**

**We have an increasing number of children arriving late each morning.**

**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, 23rd September**

Dance - KS2 - 3.14-4.00p.m.  
Netball Squad - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.  
Year 6 Health Questionnaire

### **Tuesday, 24th September**

Recorder Club - KS2 - 3.15-4.00 p.m.  
Boys Football Squad training - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.  
Fitness Squad Years 1 & 2 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.  
Year 6 Reading Café 9.00 a.m.  
Year 3 First Holy Communion Meeting - in church - 6.00 p.m.

### **Wednesday, 25th September**

Mini-Tennis - Year 3/4 - 7.45-8.30 a.m.  
Running Club - Key Stage 2 - 8.00 - 8.30 a.m.  
Guitar Tuition  
Dance - Year 1 & 2 - 3.15-4.00 p.m.  
Girls Football Squad Training - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.  
Year 5 Inspire Workshop

### **Thursday, 26th September**

Mini-Tennis - Year 5 & 6 - 7.45 to 8.30 a.m.  
Piano Tuition  
Creative Flair Dance - Year 3 & 4 - 12.00-12.30 p.m.  
Creative Flair Dance - Year 1 & 2 - 12.30-1.00 p.m.  
Fitness Squad - Years 3 to 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.

### **Friday, 27th September**

Year 6 Visit to St Chad's Cathedral  
Cake Sale for Harvest  
Food collection food bank

### **Future Dates**

Friday 27th September	- Cake sale for Harvest / Food collection for Food Bank
Monday 30th September	- Year 2 Maths Workshop 9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
Monday 30th September	- PTA meeting - 3.30 p.m.
Thursday 3rd October	- Year 1 Inspire Workshop 9.00 a.m.
Thursday 3rd October	- Flu Immunisations
Saturday 5th October	- Year 3 Commitment Mass
Tuesday 8th October	- Year 1 Maths Workshop - 9.00 a.m.
Tuesday 8th October	- Year 6 Parent Meeting - Confirmation - Parents & Sponsors
Saturday 12th October	- Welcome and Commitment Mass - Reception & Year 6
Monday 14th October	- Reception Maths Workshop - 9.00 a.m.
Tuesday 15th October	- Year 5 Reading Café - 9.00 a.m.
Friday 18th October	- Reception Class Assembly - 2.00 p.m.
Monday 21st October	- Parents' Evening
Tuesday 22nd October	- Parents' Evening
Friday 25th October	- Wolf Run
Saturday 26th October	- Half term begins
Monday 4th November	- Children return to school