

St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th September 2024



Dear Parents,

We had our first meeting for First Holy Communion Parents with Fr Des this week . It was lovely to hear about the importance of being good role models to our children. As parents we don't always realise how quick our children are to follow our example good or bad. Fr Des is encouraging us to go to Mass every weekend especially those who are about to receive the sacraments this year.

Our Catholic schools are diverse and enriching communities, founded by people with a desire to serve God and to help our children to be the best they can be. Parents, school and parish working together help our children grow in goodness, and unite all of us, enriching and enhancing the life of our school community. St Basil the Great reminds us, "Each person, according to their ability, should be a pattern of goodness to others.

Whenever we perform an act of goodness for the love of God (without looking for personal praise or for thanks), even the smallest good deed, it pleases God and sets an example for others – showing God's goodness at work in our lives.



Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us for our Year 6 Reading Café this week it was a big success. By encouraging our children to read for pleasure and enjoyment we are developing their writing. If you can remember to find time to read at bedtime, your child will love this and remember it forever (my children are much older but still remember it now). Book at bedtime is great because it gets children in a routine to unwind without technology, you are

improving their vocabulary and bonus you are getting quality time with your child.

Extra bonus - bed early!

October is the Month of the Rosary and we want to encourage the children to bring their Rosary Beads to school and pray the Rosary with us each day.



The PTA meeting has had to be moved unfortunately to 7th October at 4:30. Heads up we will need help with our Wolf Run on 25th October so if you can't make the meeting but you can still help please let the office know.



4th Oct Harvest Mass 9 am

5th Oct Commitment Mass for Year 3 6pm

12th Oct Yr R and Yr 6 welcome Mass and Commitment Mass 6pm

Thank you to everyone who is being mindful of parking particularly at the front of school. Parking just in a side street will help us keep our children safe.





Reminder the school gates close at 8:40 and Nursery Gates open at 8:45.

No Rucksacks in school!

Children only need to bring their books into school daily. Please do not bring in rucksacks, these bags are too big – Thank you

You are invited to an important meeting about your Church and parish on Wednesday 9th October at Our lady Of the Assumption Church. Please attend at 7:00pm

https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/1_newsletters/newsletter/

Attendance

Yr R - 98.6%

Yr 1 - 94.2%

Yr 2 - 99.3%

Yr 3 - 94.9%

Yr 4 - 98.6%

Yr 5 - 98.6%

Yr 6 - 97.8%



★ Star of the week

★ Nursery - Zachary, Isabella

★ Yr R - Harrison, Oliver

★ Yr 1– Hope, Noah

★ Yr 2 - Niyla, Finn

★ Yr 3 - Xayne, Laura

★ Yr 4 - Austin, Alice

★ Yr 5 - Alana, Harold

★ Yr 6 - James, Mia



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 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

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about INSTAGRAM

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Instagram is a highly popular social media platform with over 2 billion active monthly users. The app is continuously updating and adding new features to meet the wishes of its audience, allowing them to upload images and videos to their Instagram feed, create interactive 'stories', go live, exchange private messages or explore and follow other accounts that catch their eye.

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ADDICTION

Many social media platforms, Instagram included, are designed to keep us engaged on them for as long as possible. They encourage scrolling often and scrolling more in case we miss something important – in essence, a fear of missing out. On Instagram, young people can lose track of time when aimlessly scrolling and watching videos posted by friends, acquaintances, influencers and possibly strangers.

UNREALISTIC IDEALS

Children sometimes compare themselves to what they see online: how they look, how they dress, and the way their life is going in comparison to others on social media. However, most people only share the positives about their lives online and many use filters when sharing pictures of themselves. A constant comparison with unrealistic ideals can lead to insecurity over one's own appearance and lifestyle.

GOING LIVE

Livestreaming on Instagram allows users to connect with friends and followers in real time. Risks increase if the account is public, because that means anyone can watch the broadcast, which could result in further contact from strangers. Additional dangers of going live include an impulse to act inappropriately to draw more viewers, as well as being exposed to harmful content or offensive language.

INFLUENCER CULTURE

Social media influencers are sometimes paid thousands of pounds to promote products, services, apps and more. When celebrities or influencers post such content, it often says 'paid partnership' above the post. In April 2024, Ofcom found that over a quarter of children (27%) believed in influencer marketing, accepting their endorsement of products wholeheartedly. So it's perfectly possible for young people to be taken in by this kind of content.

PRODUCT TAGGING

Product tags allow users to tag a product or business in their post. This tag will take viewers directly to the product detail page on the shop where the item can be purchased. Children may also be encouraged by influencers to purchase products that they advertise.

EXCLUSION & OSTRACISM

Youngsters are highly sensitive to feeling excluded, which comes in many forms: not receiving as many 'likes' as expected; not being tagged in a friend's photo; being unfriended; not receiving a comment on their post or a reply to a message they sent. Being excluded online hurts just as much as offline. Young people have reported lower moods and self-esteem when excluded in this way, feeling as if they don't belong and aren't valued.

Advice for Parents & Educators

AVOID GOING PUBLIC

If a young user wants to share their clothing style, make up or similar and use product tagging to show off the items in their post, they may be tempted to change their settings to public. This leaves their profile visible to everyone, which carries the risk of strangers getting in touch with them. Set a child's account to private and explain the importance of keeping it this way.

HAVE AN OPEN DIALOGUE

Talk to children about the positives and negatives of social media, including the risks involved and how they can view or create content safely with family and friends. Explain how safety settings will ensure only followers can view them, and why this is so important. Also, if you find a child continuously uses filters on their photos, ask them why and impress on them that they don't need it.

MANAGE LIKE COUNTS

Due to the potential impact on mental wellbeing, Instagram allows users to hide the total likes on their posts, to prevent people from obsessing over that number in the corner. Users can hide like counts on all the posts in their feed as well as on their own posts. This means others can't see how many likes a person gets. This can be done by going into Settings > Notifications > Posts > Likes > Off.

USE MODERATORS

Instagram Live has implemented a mechanic called 'Moderators', meaning that creators can assign a moderator and give them the power to report comments, remove viewers and remove the ability for certain viewers to comment at all. Consider this if a child in your care wants to go live on the platform. It's also recommended to keep devices in communal spaces so you're aware if a child does go live or watch a livestream.

FOLLOW INFLUENCERS

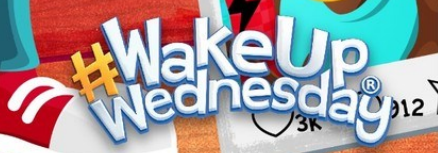
Following influencers will allow you to monitor what they're sharing as well as being able to discuss anything which you deem inappropriate. Talk to children about who they follow and help them to develop critical thinking skills about what the influencer is trying to do. For example, encourage the child to ask themselves if an influencer is trying to sell them a product when they make a video endorsing it.

BALANCE YOUR TIME

Instagram has a built-in activity dashboard that lets you control how much time is spent on the app. Make sure children sign in to the platform with the correct age, as Instagram's 'Teen Accounts' afford much more control for parents and carers over how long they can use the app each day. Talk with young users about how much time they spend on Instagram and work together to set a healthy time limit.

Meet Our Expert

Dr. Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at BCyberAware. She has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools in Australia and the UK. Claire has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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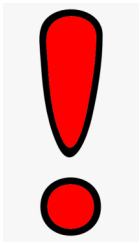
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Owls Club Payments

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, 30th September

Dance - KS2 - 3.14-4.00p.m.
Netball Squad - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.
Year 6 Health Questionnaire
Year 2 Maths Workshop - 9.00 a.m.

Tuesday, 1st October

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 3 First Holy Communion Meeting - in church - 6.00 p.m.

Wednesday, 2nd October

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.

Thursday, 3rd October

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.
Year 1 Inspire Workshop - 9.00 a.m.
Flu Immunisations

Friday, 4th October

Saturday 5th October

Year 3 Commitment Mass - 6.00 p.m. in church

Future Dates

Tuesday 8th October	- Year 1 Maths Workshop - 9.00 a.m.
Tuesday 8th October	- Year 6 Parent Meeting - Confirmation - Parents & Sponsors
Tuesday 8th October	- Boys Football Match - away vs St Augustine's
Wednesday 9th October	- Netball Match - away vs St Augustine's
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.
Tuesday 15th October	- Netball Match - home vs Sacred Heart
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

October

Half
Term

Active
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Monday **28th October**
to Friday **1st November**

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day

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