

St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 13th December 2024



Dear Parents,



We have had 3 wonderful nativity productions this week and I am so proud of everyone that took part in the celebrations. It is so hard to stand up in front of over 100 parents and sing, dance and remember your lines even some adults can't do that. The most important thing is that the children are retelling the nativity story because it is so important to our faith. This is the first part of us preparing for the coming of Our Lord. We will be celebrating Mass next Friday and we hope that all children will go to Mass for the birth of Christ this Christmas.

In this Sunday's Gospel, John the Baptist prepares the people for the coming of Jesus. He tells them to share with others and to show mercy – to put people (not money or power) first; to feel for those who suffer and to do something to help. Within the Catholic Church, these actions, attending to people's basic needs, are known as Corporal (or physical) Works of Mercy. We are showing Mercy to others by bringing toiletries to school which will help many people less fortunate than ourselves. Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising for Fr Hudson's Caritas and for Carriers of Hope.

The Church also encourages us to perform Spiritual Works of Mercy. These include: being compassionate; being patient with others even if we are being treated unfairly; forgiving others (even if we feel they don't deserve forgiveness); sometimes giving people more than they deserve. Merciful people do things out of their love and care for others and this helps make the world a better place. As parents you set an amazing example supporting your own child and helping others particularly when we have events in school whereby other parents cannot attend such as inspire workshops, assemblies, Masses and our plays. I saw parents taking photos to send to their mummy. We encourage our children in school to follow our one school rule 'Love one another as I have Loved you' but you are the first educators of your child and you're doing an amazing job.



Thank you to all the parents who provided costume parts for the nativities this week, for being a great audience and for supporting your child in school. Thank you to Mrs Littlewood, Miss Cook, Miss Alessio and Mrs Halls for your hard work and dedication making the Key Stage 1 production fabulous. Thank you to Mrs Drohan Mills and Mrs Ryan for your super singing and hard work with the Nursery production and just in case I didn't thank Miss Shailer and Mrs Ryan last week for the reception production.



We look forward to seeing Yr2, Yr4 and Yr1 in Church on ~Saturday for the blessing of the Bambinelli's. The whole school is welcome to attend and bring their baby Jesus to be blessed by Fr Des.



As we move into the last week before Christmas, please do not bring reading books to school after Wednesday.

Christmas Disco on Thursday - come to school in your disco clothes!



Miss Shailer leaves us today as we hope that her baby will be born next week. We are very excited and can't wait to hear the news. We wish her well and look forward to seeing the new baby in 2025. Next week we have Mrs Dixon, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Ryan working in Reception they are all known to the class and are very familiar with our school. After February half term Mrs Pearman will start for 3 days a week and Mrs Phillips for 2 days . Mrs Pearman is an experienced EYFS teacher and an ex pupil of St John Vianney. She is just completing her maternity leave and will be starting with us - we can't wait and neither can she, as she keeps popping into school to see the children. Mrs Phillips is very familiar to school as she has worked in all our classes.

Attendance

Yr R - 95%

Yr 1 - 95.2%

Yr 2 - 94%

Yr 3 - 96.1%

Yr 4 - 96.7%

Yr 5 - 97.7%

Yr 6 - 90.7%

Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor. Please click the link for more information:

Please visit

www.mynewterm.com

to apply



Starting Nursery in September 2025

Application forms and information are available from the school office for parents wishing to apply for their child to start in our Nursery in September 2025. Children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 can start Nursery in September 2025.

Starting Primary School in September 2025

Children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 can start school in September 2025.

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 2025.

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. It is your responsibility to obtain and present this evidence.

St John Vianney PTA



Sign up to our Facebook page to hear about upcoming events and Purple Shop sales



Sign up to our mailing list to help us achieve more for the SJV community



Purple Shop

If you're interested in items from the Purple Shop, please contact Siew Wan via FB or the SJV email address.

Description	Size	Quantity
Nursery jumper	24	6
Nursery PE shirt	24	2
Cardigan	22	3
	24	2
	26	11
	28	7
	32	2
	34	3
Jumper	36	1
	22	1
	24	9
	26	18
	28	5
	30	8
PE shirt	32	8
	24	2
	26	13
	28	6
	30	3
	32	2
Hoodie	34	1
	24	1
	26	1
Reversible jacket-fleece	28	3
	24	2
	26	5
	28	2
Fleece	30	1
	26	1
	30	1



Christmas Disco

We are looking forward to getting in the Christmas spirit next Thursday with some snack-fuelled dancing!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who has already said they will help out – we'll be in touch over the weekend.

If you would still like to volunteer, there's plenty of opportunity (things could get wild when Shakin' Stevens comes on) so please let us know via Facebook or email.

Layering up your Purple Uniform this winter!



Limited availability!
Find us on SJV PTA Facebook for items and sizes.



Stocking up for Christmas?

We still have a couple of drinks left – look for the update on our FB page!

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

When collecting and dropping off children, please do not park on the bend outside school. Please park on side streets and do not block driveways. Thank you!



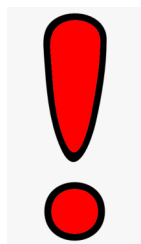
Owls Club Payments

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, 16th December

Dance - KS2 - 3.14-4.00p.m. - **FINISHED**
Netball Squad - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m. - **FINISHED**
Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance - 6.00 p.m.

Tuesday, 17th December

Recorder Club - KS2 - 3.15-4.00 p.m. - **FINISHED**
Boys Football Squad training - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m. - **FINISHED**
Fitness Squad Years 1 & 2 - 3.15-4.15 p.m. - **FINISHED**
Nursery & Reception Theatre Trip - The Smeds & The Smoos
Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance - 6.00 p.m.

Wednesday, 18th December

Mini-Tennis - Year 3/4 - 7.45-8.30 a.m. - **FINISHED**
Running Club - Key Stage 2 - 8.00 - 8.30 a.m. - **FINISHED**
Guitar Tuition
Dance - Year 1 & 2 - 3.15-4.00 p.m. - **FINISHED**
Girls Football Squad training - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m. - **FINISHED**
Girls Football Match - away vs Allesley Hall

Thursday, 19th December

Mini-Tennis - Year 5 & 6 - 7.45 to 8.30 a.m. - **FINISHED**
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. - **FINISHED**
School Disco - KS1 3.15-4.15. KS2 - 4.30-5.30

Friday, 20th November

Last day of term

Tuesday 7th January

Children return to school

Future Dates

Monday 6th January	- Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 7th January	- Children return to school
Wednesday 8th January	- Boys Football Match - away vs St John's
Thursday 9th January	- Bots Football Match - away vs Allesley Hall
Tuesday 14th January	- Girls Football Match - home vs Holy Family
Thursday 16th January	- Year 2 Inspire Workshop
Thursday 16th January	- Boys Football Match - home vs Holy Family
Tuesday 21st January	- Year 3 Reading Café
Thursday 23rd January	- Year 4 Inspire Workshop
Thursday 23rd January	- Girls Football Match - home vs St Thomas More
Monday 27th January	- Girls Football Match - away vs Christ the King
Thursday 30th January	- Non Uniform Day - bring chocolates

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.



**In Partnership with Coventry SENDIASS
Coventry Education Psychology Team will be
running a FREE session for parents/carers on**

Emotion Coaching

Emotion Coaching is an approach that parents/carers can use with children and young people to support their emotional development.

Research suggests that Emotion Coached children and young people:

- Are more emotionally stable
- Are more resilient
- Achieve more academically in school
- Have fewer behavioural problems

This session will introduce the steps of Emotion Coaching and its scientific basis and will involve practical activities and resource sharing so that parents can begin to use this increasingly popular approach straight after the session.

‘Live’ Virtual Session

(This session will be delivered via Microsoft Teams)

Thursday 19th December 2024

9.30am - 11.30am

To book a place (and get your link) please contact SENDIASS

Tel: 024 7669 4307 or email: iass@coventry.gov.uk

***Please QUOTE: ‘EPS’ when booking**

Coventry HAF Winter Fun - 21 December 2024 – 5 January 2025



Winter Fun

Free activities and food this Christmas holiday

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LOCATION
Grace Academy,
Coventry, CV2 2RH

GREAT OPPORTUNITY to progress into our ETC

U8 - U12
5.30 - 7pm
U13 - U16
7 - 8.30pm

INTERESTED? Please get in touch using the below contact details:



02476 100 525 | ivaylo.dragiev@sbitc.org.uk

Find out more about raising happy, secure, and well-behaved children

Join our free, friendly and supportive course –
‘Positive Family Foundations’

This course is for

All Coventry parents and carers with children aged 0-10

What we do

- share information about child development and parenting styles
- give out practical resources and activities
- provide a welcoming and inclusive group
- have a drink and a snack

Where it is

Adult Education Centre, Telfer Rd, Radford, Coventry CV6 3DR

When it is

6-8pm every Tuesday from 14/1/25 (10 weeks)

How to join

Scan the QR code to enrol or enrol online at <https://coventry.gov.uk/adulted> - the course code is FL24554

To find out more email aeslifeskills@coventry.gov.uk

***Assume you have a place unless you hear from us ***



‘It was great to listen to other parents. There were lots of ideas on the course - I found the section on Emotion Coaching really helped at home.’



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.

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

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