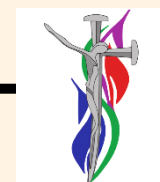




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WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Friday 23rd May 2025

GOOD NEWS

“Let’s promote friendship and respect between people of different religious traditions in order to build a world of peace.” Pope Francis What did Jesus say his gift was to his friends? The instructions given by Jesus at the ‘Last Supper’, which we read about in this Sunday’s Gospel, remind us that the peace Jesus gives is a special inner peace which comes from receiving the Holy Spirit into our lives. Through the sacrifice he made on the cross, Jesus won this peace for us.

News of the week

Thank you to everyone that came to our May Procession. Well done to our Chaplaincy Team for leading us. Thank you to everyone that brought flowers to honour Mary our mother.

KEY DATES

- 5th June Guitar and Piano assembly
- 6th June Peace Picnic Yr 5 visiting Bishop Ullathorne
- 10th Conkers Trip KS2
- 12th June Nursery Inspire workshop
- Reception class Mass 2pm
- 13th June 60th Anniversary of St John Vianney School and Gala celebration
- 16th June Reception and Nursery trip- change of date
- 19th June SEND review day
- 20th June Reception Assembly 2pm
- 23rd June Yr6 visit to Oscott
- 24th June Nursery Class Mass
- 27th June INSET day
- 30th June KS1 trip to Dudley Zoo
- 2nd July Transition day
- 7th and 8th July 6pm performances
- 10th July Confirmation



SCHOOL MASS



Well done to the Stars of the week

Nursery	The whole class!
Reception	The whole class!
Year 1	The whole class!
Year 2	The whole class!
Year 3	The whole class!
Year 4	The whole class!
Year 5	The whole class!
Year 6	The whole class!

OUR MISSION THIS WEEK



THE MISSION

HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is always ready to share his peace with you. Your Mark 10 Mission is to remember this whenever you feel worried or unsure. Invite the Holy Spirit with a simple prayer. Close your eyes and ask the Holy Spirit to wash his peace over you. It may not mean that all of your worries disappear instantly, but you can know that whatever you face, the Holy Spirit is with you and says to your heart “Peace be with you.”



PEACE





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Congratulations to Year3 who read so well at our weekend Mass. Thank you to all the parents that have supported their faith journey which continues now to be nurtured by yourselves. Thank you to Mrs Ryan and Mrs Honey for all your hard work and preparation.

On June 13th we are celebrating the 60th Anniversary of St John Vianney School. We are starting in Church and will continue our celebrations in school throughout the evening. Each class have a song that they will perform. We have lots of exciting activities including bouncy castles, inflatable obstacle course, inflatable football dart board, BBQ, Bar, Bottle stall, afternoon tea, donkeys, Miss Maggie and lots more.

We need your help to make this an amazing evening. Please sign up and help out at least for 30 mins or an hour.

Race day is hopefully going to happen in July. Parents will be invited to watch but we won't be having our Gala celebrations at that time.





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SAFEGUARDING AT SJV

All The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit collaboratocollage.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about **VIOLENT CONTENT ONLINE**

Around 70% of teenagers say they've seen real-life violence on social media in the past year – often from as young as primary school age. Just 6% actively seek it out; most encounter it through group chats or social media algorithms. From fights and pranks to hate speech and graphic media, exposure to violent content online is more widespread – and more harmful – than many adults realise.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MENTAL HEALTH AND TRAUMA

Children and young people report feelings of anxiety, guilt, shame or fear after seeing violent content. For some, these effects may be short term, but for those with existing vulnerabilities or past trauma, the impact can be more severe. Many also feel pressured to 'tough it' – violent content to fit in with friends, even when they find it distressing.

BEHAVIOUR CHANGES

Exposure to online violence can lead to fear and avoidance behaviours – such as skipping school or staying late. When children see weapons used in videos, it can heighten their perception that the world is unsafe and, in rare cases, increase the likelihood they'll consider carrying a weapon themselves, such as a knife for protection.

ESCALATION AND PARTICIPATION

Violent videos often go viral quickly, but begins as an online argument can spill into real-world fights – which are sometimes filmed and shared to gain views or status. Some children even admit to sharing or creating violent content themselves to gain attention or boost their reputation.

DESENSITISATION

Older teens may become numb to violent content after years of exposure, admitting they're unlikely to report it – usually because they don't believe anything can be done or because they're afraid of being labelled a 'snitch' by their peers.

HARMFUL IDEOLOGIES

Violent content online may overlap with racist, misogynistic or otherwise extremist views. These messages can dehumanise others or glorify violence as a way to gain power, popularity or revenge. Over time, this can normalise dangerous behaviours and attitudes among impressionable viewers.

DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT

Not all children are affected equally. Those who are excluded from school, marginalised, disabled or neurodivergent are often more vulnerable to the effects of online violence. It's essential to consider wider context – including home life and access to safe spaces – when thinking about potential harm.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CREATE SUPPORTIVE SPACES

Many children feel adults are too busy or won't understand their experiences online. Try to build trust through non-judgemental conversations about what they're seeing. If they don't want to speak to you directly, gently signpost towards trusted services they can turn to for support.

KNOW WHAT'S ILLEGAL

Some online content is clearly upsetting, while other examples may be subtler or a subtlety matter that needs reporting. Help children understand the difference by staying informed about online laws and social media reporting procedures. A useful resource is reportcrimes.uk.

AVOID HARSH RESTRICTIONS

Fear of punishment is a major reason young people stay silent about violent content. Try not to overreact or threaten to take away devices. Instead, reassure children that they can speak openly and that asking for help won't get them into trouble.

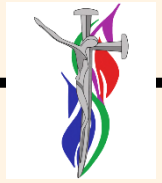
UNDERSTAND TECH AND TRAUMA

Older children may already know how to block accounts or avoid triggering content. Help younger or more vulnerable children learn these skills and encourage habits that reduce exposure. Just as importantly, teach techniques that help them process distress – building resilience and emotional literacy for both online and offline life.

Meet Our Expert

Dr. Emily Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Use UK and a leading UK expert in digital safety, media law, and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal, and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit onlinemediainuseuk.com for more.





ENRICHMENT CLUBS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

DIARY DATES FOR SUMMER 2025

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

Monday, 2nd June

Dance - KS2 - 3.14-4.00p.m

Netball Squad - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m.

Cricket – Years 1 & 2 – 3.15-4.15 p.m.

Children return to school

Tuesday, 3rd June

Recorder Club - KS2 - 3.15-4.00 p.m.

Boys Football Squad training - Years 5 & 6 - 3.15-4.15 p.m

Confirmation Service of Light – 6.00 p.m.

Wednesday, 4th June

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, 5th June

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.

Piano and Guitar Assembly – 9.00 a.m.

Cricket – Key Stage 2 – 3.15-4.15 p.m.

Friday, 6th June







Peace Picnic



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ATTENDANCE SJV

EYFS and KS1		KS2	
Class Name	Weekly Attendance	Class Name	Weekly Attendance
Nursery	88.1%	Year 3	94.2%
Reception	97.1% 	Year 4	98.7% 
Year 1	98.7% 	Year 5	95.7% 
Year 2	98.7% 	Year 6	98.6% 

Children arriving late to school:

Please be advised that if your child is late to school, children must be signed in by a parent/carer.



St John Vianney PTA

Gala Day 2025 - Friday 13th June



Afternoon Tea

Still a few spaces left for Afternoon Tea at Gala Day on Friday 13th June.

Two sittings available – at 3.15pm and 4.15pm.

Afternoon Tea with unlimited tea and coffee is £7.50 pp or with prosecco is £10 pp. Please sign up using the code below by Sunday 1st June!



It should be a fantastic day – but we can't do it without you! Please don't forget to sign up to volunteer – just half an hour of your time will make a huge difference. Links to sign up are on our Facebook page.



Or see our Facebook page to sign up