



# St John Vianney Catholic School

## Newsletter

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*"Everything we can be, with Christ in our hearts."*



### Have a great Half Term

Well, here we are; the first half term of the year. Time flies in the life of a primary school, and the last seven weeks has been no exception. We are thankful for all we have achieved and enjoyed in that time, and for the good grace, support and efforts of all of our staff, children, governors and parents. I wish you a peaceful break, and ask that you please keep the Quilliec family in your thoughts and prayers at this most difficult of times. God bless.



# The SJV Daily News

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct 2018

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## Black History – Celebrated!

Whole school in powerful history exploration

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This year, SJV celebrated Black History Month with a difference and no small amount of style! The history was explored this year through an exciting mixture of drama and dance. Ms Kavanagh has added another dimension to our children's enrichment curriculum, and today they showed us just how engaging this can be. It was (I'm paraphrasing a parent here): informative, moving, inclusive, intelligent and fun! Scenes from drama and literature, from Hamilton's tongue-twisting raps about struggle and freedom, to Martin Luther King Jr's evergreen 'I Have a Dream', finishing with a touching scene from Andrea Levy's 'Small Island' highlighting the struggles of the Windrush generation as they sought opportunity, acceptance and equality in post-war Britain. It was a pleasure from start to finish, performed with energy and vim by our brilliant cast (which was the whole school, give or take)! Well done to all, and huge thanks to Ms. Kavanagh for pulling off such an impressive feat of direction!





### **A good account of ourselves...**

Expectations were high going into this years Aquinas Cup; as holders, we were the team to beat. Our group of six played fantastically well in the group stages, winning one, drawing three and losing only one, but it wasn't to be for us today. We missed out on qualification to the knockout stages on goal difference, and in the games we drew, we dominated and hit the post / crossbar. Small margins, but we have no complaints – the only team that beat us ended up winning. Congratulations to Earlsmead (keep our trophy clean for us) and well done to our boys! COYSJVs!





# STARS OF THE WEEK

THE FORCE IS STRONG IN THESE ONES...



18<sup>th</sup> October 2018



### **Mrs. Nightingale**

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Mrs. Nightingale today.

She has been part of the fabric of this school for the last 20 years, and many thousands of children have been the lucky recipients of her care and kindness.

We wish her all the very best in her new home in the Cotswolds, and hope that she stays in touch in the future.

### **Staffing Update:**

- **Class 2:** Many congratulations to Mrs. Holden, who is expecting her first child in the new year! She will be on maternity leave from January, and Ms. Sinclair, who has already met with the children, will be class teacher in Year 2 for the rest of the year. Ms. Dewar and Ms. Swan both continue in class 2.
- **Nursery:** Congratulations also to Ms. Agu, who goes on maternity leave in November. Ms. Preval will take over as Nursery teacher for the balance of the year.
- **Breakfast Club:** Mrs. Terzaga will be taking over Breakfast Club from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October.

**We wish Ms. Holden and Ms. Agu all the very best for their forthcoming 'adventures in motherhood', and we wish our new teachers and support staff well in their new roles.**





# Aspirations Day 23<sup>rd</sup> November

RAYS OF SUNSHINE GRANT WISHES FOR BRAVE AND DESERVING CHILDREN EVERY DAY. WE'RE INVITING PUPILS NATIONWIDE TO THINK ABOUT THEIR GREATEST WISH, AND TEACHERS TO THINK ABOUT YOUR GREATEST WISH WHEN YOU WERE YOUNGER - AND MAKE A DONATION OR GET SPONSORED TO COME TO SCHOOL DRESSED UP AS THAT WISH. . .EVERY PENNY YOU RAISE WILL BRIGHTEN THE LIVES OF SERIOUSLY ILL CHILDREN ACROSS THE UK.

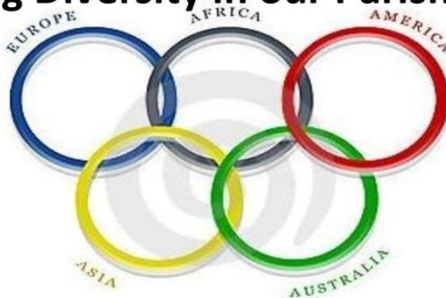
## Become Your Wish

- We will be inviting all of our children to **think about their futures** on this day, **to aim high**, think about what they will need to do to achieve their goals.

## We need your help!

- **Parents and carers – can you spare some time to visit a class and share your experiences of work?**
- What you do? How you got there? What qualifications did you need? How you enjoy it?
- If you can help, please contact the office and make an appointment (or see me at the gate in the mornings)

## **International Evening at St John Vianney Church Celebrating Diversity in our Parish Community**



**Come and see fantastic performances**



**Come and taste delicious foods from across the world**



**Come, dressed in your national attire**

**When? 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

**What time? 5.00pm – 8.00pm**

**Where? St John Vianney Church Parish Hall**

**Tickets are £5.00 Per person**

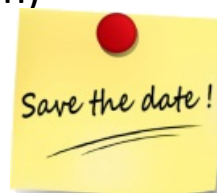
**Children come FREE (aged 0-11 years)**

**Tickets available after all Weekend Masses**

**You can also get your Tickets from the  
Parish Office on 020 8888 551**

## Key Dates for Autumn

- HALF TERM 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct to 26<sup>th</sup> Oct (children back in on Oct 29<sup>th</sup>)
- 29<sup>th</sup> Oct – children return, Y6 go to Pendarren
- 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Holy Souls (mass at SJV Church 10am)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Class 5 Assembly
- 6<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class Mass Y5 (2:30, in class)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y6 morning mass at the church
- 7<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class Mass Y4 (2:30, in class)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – Open morning for prospective parents (9am)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 4/Reception 'Buddy' assembly
- 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y4 morning mass at the church
- 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class Mass Y6 (2:30, in class)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Open morning for prospective parents (9am)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class 6 Assembly
- 16<sup>th</sup> Nov – Friends of SJV Fancy Dress Disco
- 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – Y5 morning mass at the church
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Open morning for prospective parents (9am)
- 29<sup>th</sup> Nov – Open morning for prospective parents (9am)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – Whole school panto
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Performance (7pm)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Performance (9:30am)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Mass; End of Term



## Reminders:

- Parents/carers in YR to Y5 PLEASE return your '**flu immunisation jab**' letter, regardless of whether you want the jab or not.
- Y6 parents: don't forget **Pendarren**! Please be in school and ready at 7am on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October!!