# St John Vianney Catholic School



# Newsletter

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



Welcome back to a new half term! The nights are drawing in, and Autumn is well and truly upon us. November is the month of Holy Souls, and we traditionally use this time to reflect on those that we have lost over the years, and to pray that they may enjoy their eternal rewards with Christ in Heaven. We will be sending a note home with the children and ask that you

send in details of anyone that you wish the school community to pray for at this special time of year. The names will be added to our Remembrance Tree so that we can keep our dearly departed in mind throughout November.

# **Class 6 Parent Consultations**

Parents will be able to book a slot for the Class 6 Parent Consultations from this week. The consultations will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> November in two slots: 8am to 11am and then from 3:30pm to 5:30 pm. If you are not able to make either of these slots, please speak to the Class teacher.

# **Medical Appointments**

Please may I request that medical appointments are booked outside of school hours wherever possible? We have seen a sharp increase recently in the number of children missing sessions as a result of medical appointments.

Thank you for your efforts in this matter.

#### **Autumn Dates**

Please make a note of these dates and events in your diary:

Tue 8<sup>th</sup> Nov: Open morning for prospective Reception parents

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 3 trip to cinema

Thu 10<sup>th</sup> Nov: Open morning for prospective Reception parents

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 6 Assembly; Years 1 and 2 trip to the cinema

Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 4 trip to the cinema

Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Nov: North London Citizens AGM (6pm – City and Islington College)

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 6 Mass (2:15pm) Thu 17<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 4 Mass (2:15pm) Thu 17<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 5 trip to British Museum

**Thu 17 "Nov:** Class 5 trip to British Museum **Fri 18 th Nov:** Anti-Bullying Week Assembly

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Nov: Friends of SJV Fancy Dress Disco (5pm to 7pm)

W/C 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Road Safety Week Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Class 5 Mass (2:15pm)

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Class 6 Parent Consultations (8am to 11am, 3:30pm to 5:30pm)

Wed 23rd Nov: Class 5 trip to the cinema

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 5 Assembly

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Class 4 trip to Westminster Cathedral (Choir outreach)

Thu 1st Dec: Aspirations Day

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec: Class 3 Assembly; Advent 1

W/C 5<sup>th</sup> Dec: Spirituality Week

Fri 9th Dec: Class 1 Assembly; Advent 2

Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Carol Service 4:30pm (in park with West Green, St. Mary's & Chestnuts)

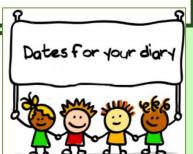
Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec: Pantomime at the Millfield Theatre

**Thu 15**<sup>th</sup> **Dec:** School Christmas Concert – Witnesses (7pm in the school hall) **Thu 16**<sup>th</sup> **Dec:** School Christmas Concert – Witnesses (9:15 am in the school hall)

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Dec: End of Term Mass (10am in the school hall) Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Dec: End of Term – school closes at 1:15pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>/Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January: Staff Training Days – School closed.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January: Spring Term Starts





#### Class 4 & Reception 'Buddies'

Last Friday, our new reception class were 'officially' welcomed to the SJV community when they were assigned a Buddy from class 4 and given the SJV Prayer book. A lovely occasion, and an excellent opportunity to reflect on the power of Friendship.



#### Class 6 – The Children's War

This week, class 6 visited the local memorial, in Downhills Park, as part of the initiation of their new World War II topic. Mr. Quin relayed the poignant tale of the tragedy, giving the children some insight into how the war affected the places we know so well.







### Owls!

A big thank you to Ms Collins, who organised a visit from some very special creatures! Last week, the children were lucky enough to get a close up view of one of nature's most beautiful and impressive predators. They were treated to flying displays, along with a wealth of facts about their habitats, diet and behaviours. The children even got close enough to have a memorable photo taken!



# Growing in Class 3

Class three have been looking at food production recently, and have started their own wheat growing projects – here is one very pleased 'farmer'!