



St John Vianney Catholic School

Newsletter

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

A busy week at the end of a busy half term!

We ended this week, and this half term, with a fabulous fact-laden assembly from class 3, celebrating the history, science, geography and literacy associated with the underwater world.

To add to the usual eclectic colour and variety:

- our year 6s successfully tackled their **cycling proficiency** training (great feedback from the trainers about our pupils!);
- we met with the architects involved in the **redevelopment of the 'Red House'** (and one of our own budding architects presented them with some well-thought out ideas);
- our **Choir sang beautifully** at a special St. Thomas More concert;
- we had a **positive meeting with our Local Authority School Improvement Advisor**, focusing on the progress our Reading, Writing and Maths subject leads are making their school improvement programmes;
- we met with the vast majority of parents to discuss the progress of your children at two **Parent Consultation** sessions
- we welcomed Mr. Hourigan, our school governor responsible for monitoring how effectively the school use the **Pupil Premium Grant**, given to schools to help disadvantaged pupils
- class 4 held a **celebration of all things Roman** in their 'Roman Afternoon' on Friday

Last, but not least, our amazing Friends society organised another Cake sale to raise funds for the school. They really put in an incredible amount of work, not just on the day, but in preparation also, scouring local shops and businesses for donations and support. A huge 'thank you' to all concerned.

I hope that everyone enjoys a well-earned break; see you all in a week!

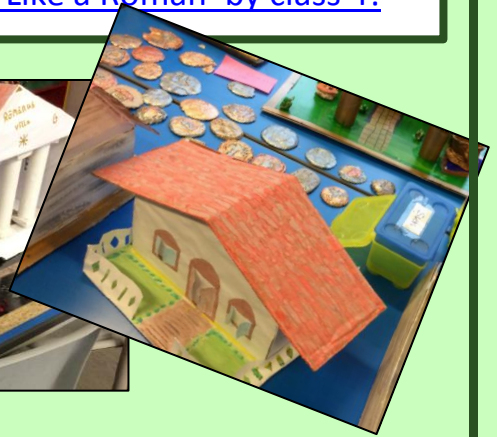


Party Like a Roman!

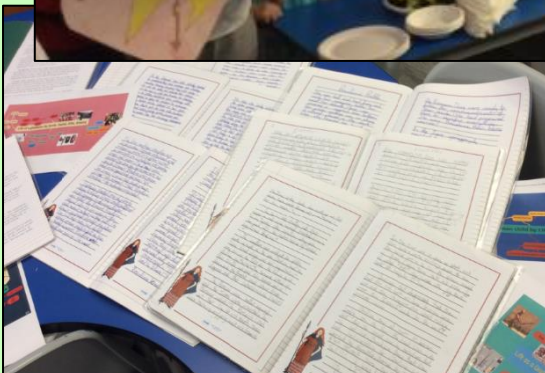
Having fought off a Dinosaur infestation last Friday, this week my office was besieged by a legion of Romans!

Class 4 have been studying Romans this half term, and celebrated in style with an end-of-topic 'wrap' party – I was invited to review some amazing writing, some jaw-droppingly good models of Roman villas, some informative and well organised 'mind-maps', models of Roman coins and shields. Best of all, I was invited to 'Feast Like a Roman' – fresh baked bread dipped in honey, served with a special 'grape-based' drink! Delicious, and lots of fun!

Well done Class 4 and Ms. Ali – you have clearly worked hard this half term and you deserved your party! [Click Here for a sneak preview of 'Party Like a Roman' by class 4!](#)



THE ROMANS



Love (and Sugar) is in the Air!

It says on their website that they 'put the fun into fundraising'. They do more than that. They put imagination, persuasion, time (lots of time) and good old fashioned effort into every event they organise.

The 'Friends of SJV' are truly that – on behalf of the school, I'd like to thank you all – those that volunteered on the day, baked, contributed cakes, badgered local shops into donating food and raffle prizes, set up, cleaned up, manned a stall, sold tickets and...turned up to have a cake and a natter. Thank you all so much.



Consultation on a Local Development

On 20th February, here at the school, there will be a public consultation about the development of the 'Red House' and its surrounding areas. The development will run from West Green Road, and possibly encompass the Mitalee Centre, so it will have an impact on both the Stanley Culross open space and the school itself.

We are determined to have our voice heard, and to ensure that the development has a positive effect on the surrounding environment. Staff, parents and pupils have long been concerned about the anti-social feel in the area, especially with regards to the park. This is an opportunity to address those concerns.

Please make the time to visit, speak with Cllr Blake, the architects and developers – the more of us that make the effort, the more the potential impact.

To maximise impact, we ask that parents visit in force at 3:30pm, which is when the architect will be presenting their plans via a workshop.



Open Meeting



The open meeting to discuss proposals for the Stanley / Culross open space with developers and Councillor Blake from Haringey Council.

Let's clean up our neighbourhood and improve this open space for the community.

- Better Lighting
- Refuse Bins
- Alcohol ban
- CCTV
- Police patrols
- Regular clean ups
- More equipment for the playground/ Larger playground area

Come and have your say and ensure that our neighbourhood is improved. We look forward to seeing you there.

When: Monday 20th February from 3.30 - 7pm

Where: St. John Vianney School, Stanley Road, N15 3HD

Dates

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

Fri 24th Feb: Class 4 Assembly

Mon 13th Feb to Fri 17th Feb: Half Term, school closed

Mon 27th Feb: Other Faiths Week

Wed 1st Mar: Ash Wednesday Service at St. John Vianney Church

Thu 2nd Mar: World Book Day

Fri 3rd Mar: Lenten Assembly

Fri 10th Mar: Year 5 Assembly; Early Years Book Fair

Mon 13th Mar: Year 1 & 2 Book Fair

Tue 14th Mar: Year 3 & 4 Book Fair

Wed 15th Mar: Year 5 & 6 Book Fair

Fri 16th Mar: Sports relief day & assembly

Mon 20th Mar: Big Maths Day

Tue 21st Mar: World Poetry Day

Fri 24th Mar: Year 6 assembly (Malawi Appeal)

Wed 29th Mar: Easter Liturgy

Fri 31st Mar: Mass for end of term (10am in the school hall)

Fri 31st Mar: End of Term – school closes 1:15

