## St John Vianney Catholic School Newsletter



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

### Ready, able and willing

This week our year 6 team, pupils and staff, have been busy finalising their preparations for the SATs tests next week. As with last year's group, I have been struck by how mature and hard-working our top-of-the-school children have been. I have seen a genuine desire to do well; driven by personal pride, they have shown resilience, perseverance diligence, togetherness and good humour. All the things that Ofsted were so recently impressed by.

The SATs tests have been all over the news recently, and there is no doubt that they are becoming ever-more challenging. That said, they do represent an excellent opportunity to round up learning prior to moving onto secondary school. In wishing them all the very best for next week, I congratulate all in Year 6 for taking this opportunity so very well – each and every one deserves the success they have worked so hard for.



### **Dates for the Summer Term**

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

- W/C May 8<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATs Week
- Fri May 12<sup>th</sup> Year 4 & Reception 'Miraculous Medal' assembly
- Fri May 12<sup>th</sup> Friends of SJV Infant Party (3:30pm)
- Tue May 16<sup>th</sup> Whole Class Photographs
- Thu May 18<sup>th</sup> School Census Day
- Fri May 19<sup>th</sup> Friends of SJV Junior Party (5pm)
- Fri May 19<sup>th</sup> Class 1 Assembly (9am)
- Fri May 26<sup>th</sup> Staff Training Day (School Closed)

### Mon May 29th - Fri Jun 2nd: Half Term

- W/C Jun 12th Phonics Screening Test Week (Year
- Thu Jun 22nd New Reception Parents Information Meeting (7pm)
- Fri Jun 30th Reception Class Assembly

- Wed Jul 5th Choir at the Water City Signing Festival @ Tower of London
- Wed Jul 5th Y6 Reconciliation Retreat
- Sat Jul 8th Fiends of SJV Summer Fair
- W/C Jul 10th Fun and Fitness Week
- Wed Jul 12th Infant Sports Day
- Thu Jul 13th Year 6 Leavers' Performance (9am & 6:30pm)
- Fri Jul 14th Fun and Fitness Assembly; Junior Sports Day; Reports Sent to Parents
- Tue Jul 18<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers' Mass (7pm in the school)
- Wed Jul 19<sup>th</sup> End of Year Mass (10am school hall)
- Fri Jul 21 –End of Term: School closes 1:15pm





# The SIV Daily News

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017

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## **Keep on Running!**

By Harry Porter



### SJV Runners in Hackney Half Marathon

A HUGE well done to our half-marathon runners, who completed the Virgin Sport Hackney Half Marathon Challenge. Their run culminated on Sunday, where 1,200 runners completed the final leg. We are proud of all our runners for performing so well. Special congratulations to Christian for finishing 5<sup>th</sup> overall! Amazing achievement!

### Where the wild things are!











Our runners and their support team!



Digging, weeding, digging, weeding: Work continues apace on Project Wildlife Garden. Last weekend, our volunteers again gave up their time to make further progress the area. With the aid of a digger, they have completely cleared the space and have started to install the boundary. It really is amazing to see how much has been done on such a short space of time. I urge you to take a look at the space to see for yourselves, and maybe plan to lend a hand on a future works party!



### Hello (or 'ello, 'ello, 'ello) to PC Liam!

This week we welcomed PC Liam into our school and he enjoyed a special tour, surprising the children (and teachers) with his unexpected drop-in!

We are very grateful that Liam has made contact with the school (he is based just up the road at Park View) and that we are now discussing ways in which he can support the school's efforts in maintaining the wellbeing and safety of our children.

We discussed upcoming visits which will focus on eSafety, road safety and secondary school transition.

The children were very excited by the visit and bombarded him with many questions, which he was happy to answer. The reasons behind Ms. Ali's 'cuffing' are still unknown...







Clearly, the laws around 'impersonating' a police officer are more relaxed nowadays!

Class 1 – under control!



### A Reminder from the Friends of SJV

#### Dear all,

As some of you know, we have our **SUMMER FAIR** coming up on **Saturday 8th July 2017**. It may seem like a very long time away but it is just around the corner and we have a lot to do to prepare for it. The summer fair is by far our **BIGGEST** fundraising event and it is the revenue from this that helps to pay for those large projects, such as recent installation of the projector, the new playground in the infant area and the future renovation of the garden area or playground for juniors.

### We need YOUR help!

The more involved the parents get, the bigger a success we'll make of it. So how can you help.....

<u>Estate Agents Boards</u>: We have secured sponsorship once again from Kings Group estate agents. They will produce boards, advertising our fair and will donate £10 for each board we can erect. If you are willing to advertise a board outside your home, please fill out the form hand it into reception or contact **Orla Dunne** at <a href="mailto:sjvfriends@gmail.com">sjvfriends@gmail.com</a>

The boards will be erected during the week of 12th - 17th June and will be taken down by 17th July. If you have any friends who are willing to do the same please pass on their details, the more boards we have the better. We are aiming for 100 boards this year and we are counting on your support to achieve our target. We need to have all replies by 20th May 2017 to pass on the details to the King's Group.

#### Prizes:

We will be holding both an auction and a raffle on the day of the fair and we need attractive items for each. For the last fair, we provided a bunch of a lovely prizes such as vouchers for restaurants, tickets for the theatre, entry to London Eye, riding lessons at the Lee Valley Equestrian Centre and more.

We would be interested to know if you have any skills that we could auction (e.g.) you may be a chef who can cook a lovely meal, an artist who can give someone a 1-2-1 art lesson, make lovely homemade bread or a hairdresser who can provide a new hairstyle or a cut & colour for the lucky winner....Please get in contact and confirm what you can offer or fill in the form below and hand to reception.

#### How can I contact you?

If you have suggestions or thoughts for the event, would like to help out on the day please get us touch via email <a href="mailto:sjvfriends@gmail.com">sjvfriends@gmail.com</a> or talk to one of the class representatives in the playground.

Thank you as always for your help and support.

With kind regards,

The Friends Association of St John Vianney

