

# St John Vianney Catholic School Newsletter



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#### Mass for the Start of a New Year

Thank you to Fr. Joe, who today helped the whole school community to celebrate mass, which was dedicated to the continued success and happiness of the pupils of SJV this year.

Thanks too, to the parents and family that supported our special occasion — it is wonderful to have the school, family and parish team all in the same place, joined in prayer.

#### **Children Leading the Way**

One of the most uplifting aspects of life in a Catholic school, is listening to children discuss, debate and form their faith. Their views, and the angles with which they come at big issues and questions, never cease to amaze.

The children at this school are happy to discuss their beliefs and are tolerant of, and interested in, other points of view.

They are becoming more confident in taking the lead in their learning and in their faith; the image below is from class three, which I happened across this morning.







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### Mad, Mucky Science!

Class 4 had a ball this morning, when they were challenged to create 'slime', as part of their Potions topic. The expressions on the faces of this bunch of scientists speak for themselves! It takes a brave teacher to bring science to life in this way; luckily Ms. Ali and Ms. Giltinan are just that!

















## **After School Club**

A reminder to parents that an After School Club has now been formed with West Green Primary. Currently, take up is very low, so plenty of spaces are available. If you are interested, please contact the office for more details.

### **Medical Forms**

If you haven't already done so, please return your child's completed yellow and green medical forms by MONDAY, 18th September at the very latest.

# **Class 6 Pendarren Trip**

Please don't be late on Monday morning – the coach cannot wait!

**Parents**: can you please ensure that the office has your correct email address for Pendarren communication during next week's trip? See Mrs Alfonso as soon as possible with your details.

# **Lost Property**

Once again the lost property boxes are overflowing and we are only 10 days into the new school year. Please mark ALL your children's uniform with their full name, including coats, PE kit and plimsolls / trainers.

# **Dinner Money**

School dinners are £2.40 per day, £12.00 per week. Please ensure that you pay dinner money promptly. It is not acceptable to be in arrears, as this causes significant difficulty for the office and with our suppliers.

Late payment may result in your child being moved to packed lunches until the debt is cleared. One week's written notice needs to be given to the school office if you which to switch from school dinners to packed lunches or vice versa.



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### **Settling In**

I have been wandering in and out of classes all week, and have been delighted to see how the new school year is shaping up. Our new Reception Class have settled brilliantly, Nursery were calmly listening during story time and year 3...well, I wasn't sure what they were doing, but they tell me it's all part of making their classroom a beautiful place to learn — I'll share some 'finished' versions next week!













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# **Topics and Projects**

Once again, the children have been busy getting stuck into their new topics, and some of the homework projects were brought in this week. With each new term, the work gets more and more amazing – just take a look at the latest crop! Beautiful work.

