



St John Vianney Catholic School

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Jesus the Teacher

This Sunday's Gospel sees Jesus continuing his 'teaching' vocation. He teaches at the synagogue at Capernaum, and they marvelled at his 'authority', which made a deep impression on all who listened. He even drove out an 'unclean spirit' that had taken possession of a man, astonishing those that witnessed it:

"Here is a teaching that is new," they said, "and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him."

While we certainly do not have any 'unclean spirits' hiding in any of our wonderful pupils, I'd like to pay tribute to the 'teachers' in our community that help our children to be the best that they can possibly be, even when they occasionally make poor choices. It is so important to have that strong, authoritative voice, underpinned by kindness and care, guiding them back to the path!



So... a big 'thank you' and well done to 'Our Teachers':

Parents (the first and most important teachers), **Fr. Joe and the Parish Team** (who lead us with kindness and good humour), **Class Teachers** (who give much more than is required or is visible), **Support Staff** (who do SO much more than just 'support'), our **Governors** (who have taught me so much) and all of the **site and office staff** (who by their actions, words and demonstration show us everything that we set out to achieve). We are lucky to have you all.



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Pirate Spotted in Class 2!

Teacher 'blissfully unaware' about the encounter



Shiver me Timbers! It's Long John Silver!

Mrs. Holden had a close shave in Class 2 this week when, due to the unstoppable frenzy created by their new Pirate topic, Long John Silver the Pirate made a covert visit to the class!

Mrs. Holden was busy with her favourite activity of marking hundreds of books, when the notorious villain dropped by. As he approached her, he thought better of it, when he realised that he might be made to share the marking. He made a hasty retreat, but not before the school's state of the art 'PirateCam' captured this image!



Some of the wonderful artwork, posters and topic projects on display in Class 2!

Class 5's Tudor Masterclass!

This week's assembly featured a dizzying array of historical facts from class 5, as they presented their version of the lives of Henry Tudor and his court. It was a wonderfully performed assembly; confidence and a great deal of humour helped us all learn something new! And...a knockout performance of Henry VIII that will live long in the memory!

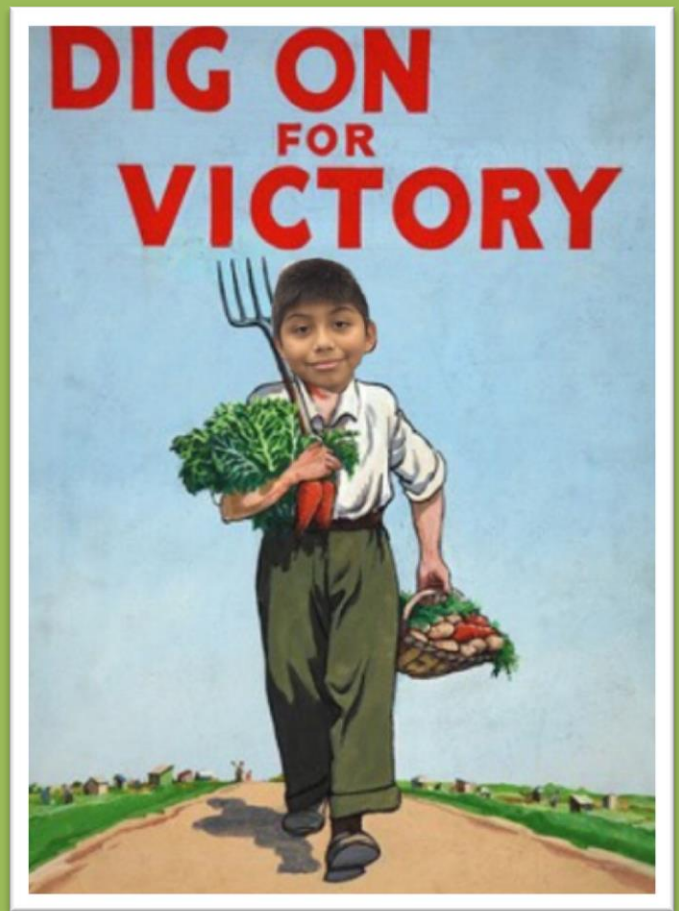
Great work Class 5!





World War I and II Propaganda Posters

Year 6 have been busy on the iPads, examining and creating their own versions of the posters that helped get this nation through the tough times in both world wars. I think you'll agree that their eye for detail and software skills are amazing!





Westminster Choir Outreach

We are pleased to be able to continue our work with Westminster Choir this year. On a recent trip, the children were able to have a look around the Cathedral and to light a candle to pray for their special intentions.





Strange Tremors in Class 3!

There's an awful lot of learning to be had from Volcanoes and the history of Vesuvius!

Science is a given, particularly when the class used their amazing volcano models to create a chemical reaction in order to re-create the moment when Vesuvius erupted and the inhabitants of Pompeii unwittingly became history!





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Dates for your diary

- Mon 29th Jan – Year 5 trip to the National Portrait Gallery
- Tue 30th Jan – Height & Weight checks (Year 6 and Reception)
- Thu 1st Feb – Year 4 British Museum trip
- Fri 2nd Feb – Author / Storyteller Visit (Daniel Morden)
- Wed 7th Feb – Year 3 Natural History Museum trip
- Fri 9th Feb – Safer Internet Sharing Assembly; Valentine's Cake Sale (3:30); **School closes for Half Term 3:30**
- Mon 19th Feb – Children return to school
- Wed 21st Feb – Parent Consultations
- Thu 22nd Feb – Parent Consultations
- Fri 23rd Feb – Class 1 Assembly
- Thu 1st March – World Book Day
- Fri 9th March – Class 3 Assembly
- Fri 16th March – Class 2 Assembly
- Fri 23rd March – Class 4 Assembly



We won!

A huge 'Thank You' to all of you who took the time and the effort to shop at Tesco and to drop your Blue Voting Coins in the St. John Vianney bin! Your votes have been successful and the school has been awarded a further £4,000 to go towards the fixed playground equipment project. This wonderful news, and works will begin very shortly in order to put this amazing windfall to good use.