



St John Vianney Catholic School Newsletter

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Normal Service is Resumed...

After a few weeks of 'circumstances beyond our control', including the Siberian 'Beast from the East', the newsletter returns with a bit of ground to make up! It's at times like this when you realise just how busy and vibrant an environment this school is – we have done SO much in just a few weeks, and Easter is fast approaching!

Being just over half way through Lent, we reflect this week on John's Gospel, where Jesus begins to hint at his Passion and great sacrifice.

Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain
of wheat falls into the earth and dies,
it remains just a single grain;
but if it dies, it bears much fruit.
- John 12:24

Prayer and Reflection

Think of someone you admire, who inspires you...

Dear Lord Jesus,
Thank you for giving your life for us
For calling us to **follow you**
Please help us to be your faithful followers
So that our work may become a better place.

Amen





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Notices and Reminders

Outstanding Dinner Money ~ Please do not wait for a reminder to pay outstanding dinner money. If your child has school lunches, payment of £12.50 (£2.50 per day) is due at the beginning of each week. If you have an issue with payment please speak to the office staff.

Payment of Breakfast Club Money ~ Please be aware that payment for breakfast club must be paid two weeks in advance. Please do not wait for a reminder to pay. If you have an issue with payment please speak to the office staff.

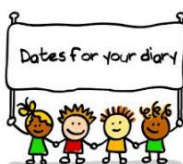
Lost Property ~ once again our lost property bins are overflowing with unnamed uniform, PE kit, gloves, hats, etc. **PLEASE** name your children's clothes. Any unclaimed lost property will be sold at the next cake sale. Proceeds will go to our Malawi school fund.

Absence from school ~ If your child cannot attend school for any reason telephone the school office BEFORE 8.30am. When your child returns to school please send a note to the class teacher, on the first day back, explaining the absence. Unexplained absence may result in an unauthorised absence being recorded.

Vomiting and Sickness ~ If your child is absent from school or has been sent home because she/he has been vomiting or had diarrhoea the child must stay at home for **48 hours after their last bout of illness**. These are guidelines sent to the school from the local authority and must be adhered to.

Dates for your diary

- Fri 23rd March – Class 4 Assembly
- Wed 28th March – Whole School Mass 10am (all are welcome)
- Wed 28th March – Easter Liturgy 2:45pm (all are welcome)
- Thu 29th March – School closes for end of term at 1:15 (NO after school club)
- Mon 16th April – School starts for the Summer Term
- Fri 20th April – Y5 trip to the Science Museum
- Fri 27th April – Friends of SJV Meeting @ 9am
- Fri 11th May – Infant Party 3:45pm
- 14th to 19th May – Year 6 SATs week
- Fri 18th May – Junior Disco 5pm
- Fri 25th May – Staff Training Day (School Closed)
- Mon May 28th to Fri 31st May – Half Term
- Mon Jun 4th – School starts for the second half of the Summer Term
- Fri 8th June – Friends of SJV meeting @ 9am
- Fri 22nd June – Friends of SJV 'Healthy Friday' 3:30pm
- Fri 6th Jul – Friends of SJV Ice Cream Sale 3:30pm
- Sat 7th Jul – Friends of SJV International Summer Picnic
- Fri 13th Jul – Friends of SJV Ice Cream Sale 3:30pm
- Fri 20th Jul – School closes for the Summer at 1:15pm (NO after school club)



Parent Dining Experience!

Thursday 29th March

At the most recent Parent Voice meeting, it was suggested that we hold a regular 'Parent Lunch Invitation'.

If you would like to joint your child for Lunch on this day, **please ask for a form at the office** – places will be strictly limited (if you miss out this time, you will get priority next time!) and will cost £3.00

The menu that day will be Beef and Vegetable Pie, with a Vegetarian Pie as a non-meat option. Alternatively, pasta and salads are always available.

If you have room – Jam Sponge with Custard, fresh fruit or a Strawberry Mousse will also be on the menu.

Why not try it out? It's a lovely idea, and we are sure that you will enjoy the food and the company!



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The support staff St. John Vianney are raising £1,200 to Help buy a Defibrillator set for the children, staff, parents and visitors of the school. We are embarking on a sponsored walk along the River Lea and your donations via our JustGiving Crowdfunding Page could help make it happen:

Please follow this link to donate:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/teams_jv?utm_id=2&utm_term=5DzrPpPR2

The SJV Daily News

Friday 16th March 2018

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Wizard or Wizeded?

SJV Goes Potty for World Book Day

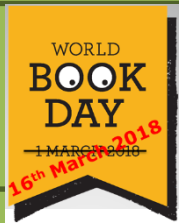


“The Boy Who Lived...”

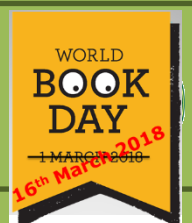
This week, the Headteacher of St. John Vianney foolishly pushed the term ‘Boy Wizard’ to its absolute limits – not being a ‘boy’ or a ‘Wizard’, he was, luckily, largely ignored due to the array of wonderful costumes, smiles and enthusiasm of the children of SJV! Indeed, there were enough genuine Boy and Girl Wizards, Witches, Fantastic Foxes, Wallys, Superheroes, Wonkas, amongst many others, to completely outshine any poor wardrobe choices!

Along with the Book Fair, which took over £1,000 and generated £500 for new books, and the Book Dance Workshops, Ms. Burry has once again championed reading for our school and our pupils are deepening their love of books!

An extremely enjoyable day, and I must congratulate all the children, and their ever-willing parents, for their imaginative and colourful costumes.



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PICCOLLAGE

Happy Spring!

The country marked the first day of Spring with a blast of weather straight from the lungs of the Siberian Beast from the East!

The unseasonably cold weather was both pretty to look at and fun to play in. Our children took advantage and had the time of their lives, building snowmen and making snow angels. It was nice for a day or two, but we now look forward to a bit of warmth to see us into Easter and beyond!



Happy St. Patrick's Day Everyone!

Year 6 and their Y2 Buddies marked St. Patrick's day this year with a Friday afternoon Jig 'n' Reel! ~~Led expertly by Mr. Quin~~ Two of our Year 2 experts led the festivities with a free lesson and demonstration. The rest were able to join in quickly, and 'adapted' this Celtic tradition to their own strengths and talents! [Click here to have a quick peek \(via the Media section of the Homepage\)...](#)




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Visit from our Diocesan School Improvement Adviser

This week, we hosted Diana Roberts, the schools improvement adviser from the Diocese of Westminster.

She enjoyed our Monday morning Worship Assembly, sat in on some RE lessons and spoke with our Chaplaincy Team from Year 5.

She was extremely impressed with all that she saw, and her feedback was a delight to hear. Well done to all the staff and the pupils who make this school distinctively Catholic, and a wonderful place to learn and to work. In Diana's words: "I LOVE this school!"



THE RAISING
OF JAIRUS'
DAUGHTER
(MARK 5:21-43)



Exploring the Gospel – Y6



Exploring our
Church – Y3





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This week, our runners took part in the borough Cross Country Challenge at the New River Sports Centre. A great turnout from the boys and girls, and a big thank you the parent volunteers that made this possible.



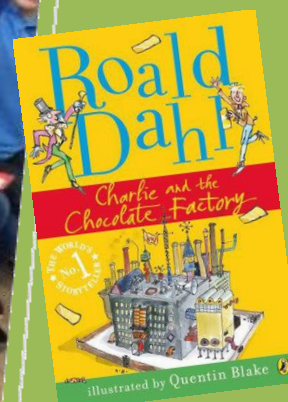
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Last week, Year 3 showcased their learning with a 'Wonderful Wonka' assembly!



WONKA'S
GOLDEN TICKET
GREETINGS TO YOU THE LUCKY FINDER OF THIS
GOLDEN TICKET FROM MR. WILLY WONKA
PRESENT THIS TICKET AT THE FACTORY GATES AT TEN O'CLOCK
ON THE MORNING OF THE FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER AND DO NOT
BE LATE. YOU MAY BRING WITH YOU ONE MEMBER OF YOUR OWN
FAMILY... AND ONLY ONE... BUT NO ONE ELSE.
*In your wildest dreams you can not imagine the marvelous SURPRISES
that await YOU!!*





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Class 1 at the Tower of London

Following last year's windy escapade, Ms Collins once again braved the transport system and the 'Spring' weather to visit the Tower of London. It was well worth the effort, as this evergreen favourite was a real hit with the children. A fabulous day was had by all, and our little ones were brilliantly behaved as usual!

TOWER OF LONDON EC4

CITY OF LONDON





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Valentine's Cake Sale

A big thank you and well done to the Friends of SJV and all of you who stayed behind for a cake and a cuppa to support our Valentine's cake sale. £700 raised! A wonderful effort.





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Bringing Books to Life

To tie in with World Book Day, the whole school took part in Dance Workshops, all themed around the classic books – The Troll and the Enormous Crocodile.

Even the most dance-shy of our pupils were won over by the enthusiasm of the teacher and the stories themselves.

