



# St John Vianney Catholic School

## Newsletter

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



### Happy Half Term

Our first half term under the belt, the new year is well and truly up and running! It's been a long 7 weeks, and so much ground has been covered. Yet...we have some much more to do!

We, like all schools in the country on the back of a new inspection framework, are reviewing our curriculum, which places reading centre stage (with a never-before-seen emphasis!). This is a good thing, we think. You will have noticed that the school champions reading incessantly – from Reception welcome meetings, to Year 6 SATs prep meetings, the message is: read, read, read. It IS the difference between doing well and doing OK or even struggling. We always look to see how we can increase the time children have to read and to boost their LOVE of reading. We have recently invested heavily in creating a Library, which was completed over the Summer. After half term, we are looking to complete it with comfy furnishings, twinkly lights, lovely displays and....books, books, books! To create a fully stocked paradise for our book lovers to enjoy for many years to come. Watch this space for activities and developments! In the meantime, enjoy the half term – spend some time with your loved ones and, maybe...read a book? God bless.



**Celebrating Black History:** Today our children shared their work on some truly inspirational people. During Black History Month, they have learned about the successes and struggles of people as varied as Harriet Tubman, Lewis Hamilton, Benjamin Zephaniah, Marcus Garvey, Laurie Cunningham and Ade Adepitan. In a week where racism and prejudice dominated the headlines, it was heartening to see our children, as diverse a bunch as you'll ever see, pulling together so well.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH





**Year 3 at the Royal Albert Hall:** Hopping on the tube , our band of music lovers enjoyed a spectacular show at the famous old venue. Lovely blue skies made for an extra special day!



Royal Albert Hall



**Grecian Urns in Year 2:** I've seen these taking shape, right from the outset, messy papier mache and all! Children-covered-in-glue not pictured! Great work Year 2!



# The SJV Daily News

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

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Free

## Harvest for the World!

Help for Poverty Charity



### Big Hearted Gesture

The generous families in our community came together recently for the annual SJV harvest appeal. Our chaplaincy team set a target for all pupils to bring in one spare item of food so that we could help those in need. Safe to say, we easily exceeded that target, and we now have a wonderful haul to support the Trussell Trust, a charity dedicated to eradicating hunger in the UK. A huge thank you to everyone who donated – rest assured your generosity will be helping those that need it most.



# STARS OF THE WEEK

THE FORCE IS STRONG IN THESE ONES...



11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019



Celebrate!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



## Reminders and Notices

- **Money Raised for Macmillan: £192.22**  
!! Congratulations and thank you!
- **Gate:** Please make sure you bolt the gate after entering or exiting the gate to Stanley Road outside the school office. This is for everyone's safety.
- **NEW School Office Opening Hours :**  
From Monday 7th October the school office will open from **8.30am-4pm** only. The office will also be closed between **12.15pm and 1.15pm**. If you are phoning to report late arrival or absence from school please call between **8.30-8.45am**. Please make a note of these times.
- **Applications for Reception Class 2020:** Forms will be available at the school office from 1st October 2019.

# Key Dates

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October:**

## **Staff Training Day – School Closed**

- 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 1 Phonics meeting (6pm, parents only)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – All Saints Mass @ St. John Vianney Church 9:30am
- 5<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class Mass (year 5, 2:30)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class Mass (year 4, 2:30)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 4 / Reception 'Buddy Assembly'
- 13<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class Mass (year 6, 2:30)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class 3 Assembly
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Year 4 Assembly (+visit from the Passage charity)
- 25<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 6 in Pendarren (return Friday 29<sup>th</sup>)
- 29<sup>th</sup> Nov – Advent Assembly
- 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Advent Assembly
- 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Pendarren Assembly
- 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Production 6:30pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Production 9:30am
- 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – School Mass 10am – all welcome
- 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – End of Term, school closes at 1:15pm



## Secondary Transfer Information (Class 6 only)

**Secondary Transfer**  
**Deadline Date: 31 October**  
**2019 – All applications**  
**must be submitted by this**  
**date**

### USEFUL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS:

[www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions) - This will take parents to the page where they can find the booklet and open events.

[www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk) - This will take parents to the e-admission site where they can apply online.

[www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions) - Distance Calculator  
– This will only work for Haringey residents requiring their home to school distance measurements to Haringey Schools.