



St John Vianney Catholic School Newsletter

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



A Loving Community

We ended this week with a lovely ceremony which saw our (not so) new Reception class taking their place at assembly and being twinned with a Year 4 Buddy, who will support and look after them in their time at SJV. It is one of best traditions at this school, and one which the children really look forward to. A loving community looks after and nurtures its own, and it is occasions like this that make us so strong. I have been showing prospective parents around the school over the last month or so, and not once did a tour go by without the visitors commenting positively on the comfortable and confident relationship the children have with their teachers and the staff here. This sense of community is tangible for visitors and it is one that any prospective parent would love to see their child flourish in.

The 'Buddy Ceremony' is only part of this successful community, but it is a heart-warming one to be enjoyed by all!

Have a great weekend everyone.



Key Dates

- 11th Nov – Anti-Bullying Week
- 13th Nov – Class Mass (year 6, 2:30) **Parents welcome!**
- 15th Nov – Class 3 Assembly
- 20th Nov – Year 5 and Year 4 mass @ SJV
- 22nd Nov – Year 4 Assembly (+visit from the Passage charity)
- 25th Nov – Year 6 in Pendarren (return Friday 29th)
- 29th Nov – Advent Assembly
- 6th Dec – Advent Assembly
- 12th Dec – Pendarren Assembly
- 12th Dec – Christmas Production 6:30pm
- 13th Dec – Christmas Production 9:30am
- 20th Dec – School Mass 10am – all welcome
- 20th Dec – End of Term, school closes at 1:15pm

Notices

- **Tuesday 12th November is ‘Odd Socks’ day**, in support of this year’s Anti-Bullying Week (See poster)
- Please wear Odd Socks to draw attention to the fact that we are all unique!
- Please ensure that **return slips / permission slips are returned before the deadline**. It causes significant additional work for the front office if these slips have to be chased up. Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

WOOHOO... TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER IS ODD SOCKS DAY!

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Odd Socks Day forms part of Anti-Bullying Week. It is a chance to celebrate that we are all unique. All we ask is that you wear odd socks on Tuesday 12th November. Millions of children and adults will be taking part across the country.

We are delighted that Andy & the Odd Socks (CBBC / CBeebies) are with us again this year. Have a listen to the song they have written especially for Anti-Bullying Week!



"We can't wait to see everyone rocking their odd socks for **Odd Socks Day!**"



WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message to people that they should be allowed to be themselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.

WHAT DO WE NEED FROM YOU?

It's so easy ☺
Here's what you do:

Tuesday
12
November

- 1. Wear odd socks** to school, work or wherever you are going on the Tuesday 12th November
- 2. Donate £1** to help the Anti-Bullying Alliance carry on important work
- 3. If you want to, you can share a photo online using #oddsocks #antibullyingweek'**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Every penny goes to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help continue all their work. We can't wait to see all the Odd Socks on Tuesday 12 November...

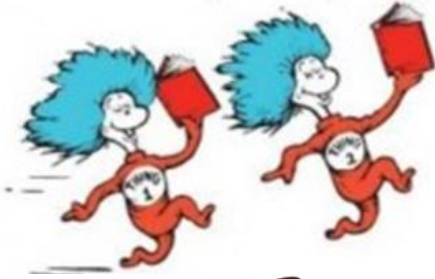
SafeToNet is an online safety solution for families, and they are supporting Odd Socks Day this year. The app detects cyberbullying and harmful content on children's smartphones and notifies parents of potential risks.

**FREE
FOR
60
DAYS**

SafeToNet are offering access to their app FREE for 60 days. Use the promo code 'ABA2019'
www.safetonet.com/oddsocksday

Sponsored Read at SJV

The MORE
that you read,
the MORE things
you will know.
The MORE that you
learn,
the MORE places you'll go.



To encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we will be running a **sponsored read** between **Monday 11th November** and **Sunday 17th November**.

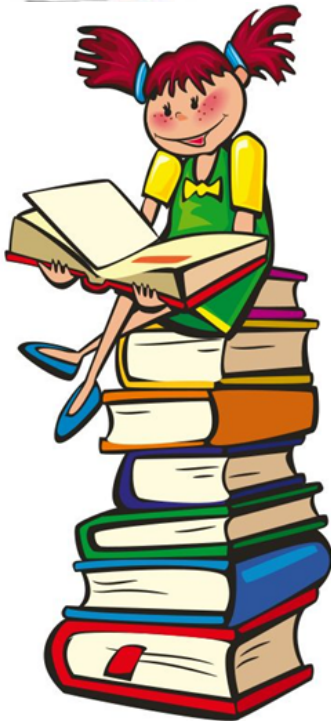
The project is being organised to raise money to buy brand new books for our new school library.

£600 is our school aim.

What do you need to do to take part?

- Ask people to sponsor you by completing the sponsorship form.
- Spend a small amount of time each day either reading by yourself, reading to others, or being read to.
- You will need to complete a reading log from Monday 11th November up until Sunday 17th November to say how much you have read.
- Your parents will need to sign your reading log to say you have read.
- Once you have completed your reading log you can collect your sponsor money.

Everyone will receive a SJV book mark and certificate for taking part in the sponsored read!

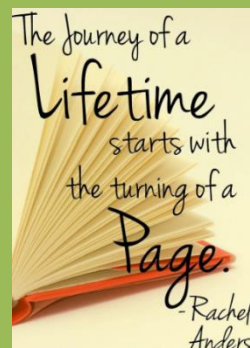
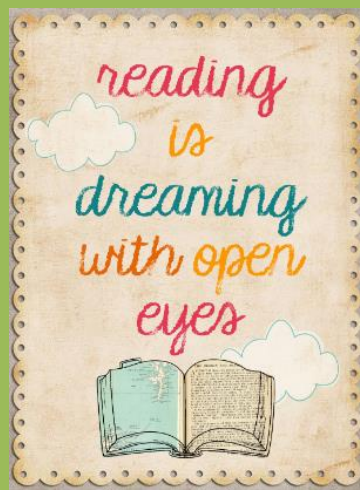


TODAY A READER
TOMORROW A LEADER

- MARGARET FULLER

Read
more
books

SO MANY
{BOOKS}
{SO} little
TIME



Rachel
Anders

YOU CAN FIND
magic
WHEREVER YOU
LOOK. **SIT BACK,**
RELAX,
ALL YOU NEED IS

A **BOOK**

- DR SEUSS

The SJW Daily News

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Forever Friends!

Buddy Ceremony Cements Friendships



You've got a friend in me...

Was the message to Reception Class this morning! Our Year 4 Buddies welcomed them with open arms during our Buddy Ceremony. Each child was presented with a prayer book by their Buddy, who will take an active role in supporting our newest stars as they progress through the school. Play time, reading time, Buddy time! It's good to have your Buddy with you! Well done to Year 4 for a lovely assembly, and to Reception for being brilliant!



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Year 6 Visit the Downhill Park Memorial: Investigating local history, our Year 6s visited Downhills Park to visit the memorial to those that died in the direct hit during the Blitz of September 1939.



STARS OF THE WEEK

THE FORCE IS STRONG IN THESE ONES...



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celebrate!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY