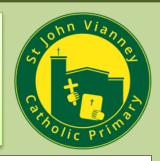
St John Vianney Catholic School School Newsletter

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



A Week of Reflection

This week marked a full calendar year since the country was first put into lockdown in response to the Coronavirus pandemic. It has been a long and arduous year for all of us and our community has been affected like many others.

The children marked the national minute's silence on Tuesday and today we reflected on an extraordinary year in our assembly. We prayed for those who suffered and we thanked those that helped us get through it all.

Green shoots of recovery are beginning to show: we are back at school; we are able to work and learn together again; smiles are fuelling our efforts and we look forward to ever more normality come the Summer Term. We even had the first, tentative step towards everyone's favourite bit of school life – the school trip! While it may be a while until we can get back to the sort of varied and exciting schedule we are used to, Year 5 went across the road, and it felt great to be out! As they say, one small step for Year 5...

Have a great weekend and a blessed Easter break. God bless. Mr. McNicholas



End of Term – early dismissal on Wednesday 31st March

Please note the following pick up times for the last day of term on Wednesday:

- 12:45 finish for YR, Y2
- 1pm Nursey, Y3, Y5
- 1:15pm Y4, Y6, Y1

Lunch Menu for the Summer Term



Relationships & Health Education (RHE)

Virtual Meeting: Monday 29th March at 5pm



In the academic year 2020/21, Relationships Education and Health Education will become statutory in all primary schools in England.

Our school is dedicated to supporting the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all of our pupils, rooted in our mission. We recognise that this must be done very much in partnership with parents, who are the 'first educators' of their children on these matters; ultimately, you confer on us the right to co-educate your children with you.

We have been researching various programmes that are available and have decided to adopt **Life to the Full** by Ten Ten Resources. Ten Ten is an award-winning educational organisation that is well-respected and very experienced in this field of work.

Life to the Full has been approved by our diocese and has been mapped to the statutory curriculum, as published by the Department for Education. Therefore, we are confident that this programme is fit for purpose and a very good fit for our school.

If you wish to find out more, or you have any feedback you would like to give us on the consultation, please join us for the above meeting on Monday 29th at 5pm using the following link.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84368038342?pwd=TWU3MENWZHE yMkU1REdDOWdSVGthZz09

Time to reflect...



We place them all in Christ's loving care and thank God for each of them.

May we continue to love and support each other.

Finding new ways to help and respond generously.

By putting the needs of all before our own.

So we can together build a fairer world.

Amen

































Diocese of Westminster Education Service

A Day of Reflection

March 202





https://youtu.be/x-Y-cB4Z9pY

Covid 19 Over Easter - IMPORTANT

The school closes for the Easter on Wednesday 31st March.

We sincerely hope that we encounter NO new cases from now on, but it is VITAL, for those that have been attending school, that everyone understands what they need to if any of your children develop symptoms in the 2 days that follow the end of term (Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd April).

Scenario A: Two Days Following the end of the term:

IF your child develops symptoms (AND subsequently tests positive) on:

- Thursday 1st April OR
- Friday 2nd April

Then YOU MUST CONTACT THE SCHOOL AND LET US KNOW. This is because children are infectious 2 days **before** they develop symptoms, and contacting us will allow us to Track and Trace their potential contacts (staff and other children in their class) so that they can isolate and protect themselves and their loved ones. ** ONLY CONTACT US ONCE YOU HAVE A CONFIRMED POSITIVE CASE **

It is impossible to overstate the importance of letting the school know if symptoms are developed over either of these two days — failure to do so will risk staff and other children in their class transmitting the virus over the Easter break. PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL USING: homeschool@st-johnvianney.haringey.sch.uk

DO NOT CALL OR USE ANY OTHER EMAIL ADDRESS – ONLY THIS ADDRESS WILL BE MONITORED.

Scenario B: Over 2 days after the term closes? If your child develops symptoms on Saturday 3rd April, or any day after that, please make sure they have a test and, if a positive test is confirmed, call NHS 119 to report and initiate track and trace. PLEASE ALSO INFORM THE SCHOOL SO THAT WE CAN RISK ASSESS BEFORE SCHOOL REOPENS IN JANUARY.

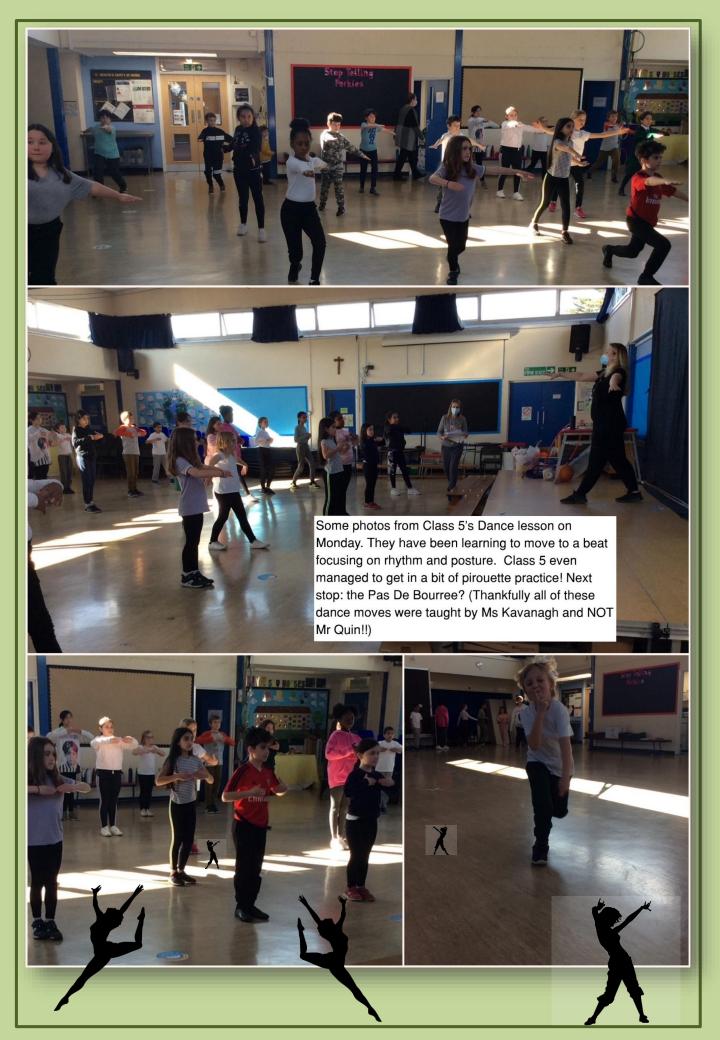
Lateral Flow Testing Kits

- Can I remind parents and carers that Lateral Flow
 Testing is NOT appropriate for Primary aged children. It
 is also NOT intended to test people that have
 symptoms. If you or your child have any of the three
 main symptoms, please book a full PCR test at your
 local testing site immediately.
- Lateral Flow Testing is NOT an alternative or equivalent to PCR testing – they are intended to be used regularly to identify carriers who are NOT showing symptoms.

Nursery Places

 Nursery (Sept 2021) application forms are now ready. Please email the <u>admin@st-johnvianney.Haringey.sch.uk</u> to make an appointment to collect a form.









A maths and science comes to life in downhills park as Y5 work out the relative distance from The Earth to the Moon, and the relative distance from The Earth and the Sun. Yes, really! Also...a school trip! We thought they were a thing of the past!













Important reminders:

Once again, please ensure that you are doing everything you can about keeping possible Covid-19 symptoms away from school.

1) Please DO NOT send your child to school if they are unwell

 If they do not have symptoms of Covid-19, but have been unwell, you must still wait until they are fully better before you send them back to school.

2) Please be vigilant for symptoms of Covid-19

 IF they have any of the 3 Covid-19 symptoms, then you MUST keep them at home, <u>book a test</u> and notify the school that you have done this.

Covid Symptoms

- A) High temperature (37.8 degrees and above).
- B) A continuous cough (coughing a lot for an hour).
- C) A change in your sense of taste or smell.
- IF YOU ARE UNSURE ABOUT ANY SYMPTOMS, SEEK MEDICAL ADVICE OR CALL 111.

3) The Importance of being Tested

- If your child has one of the above IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU BOOK A TEST.
- Failure to do this means a) they cannot return to school for a further 10 days and b) we are unable to manage the possible risk of infection to other children and staff in their bubble.
- If you have difficulty booking a test, please keep trying until you get one please let the school know if you are unable to.
- Waiting for 10 days is NOT an option your child may be missing schooling unnecessarily.

4) Please observe STRICT SOCIAL DISTANCING when dropping off and picking up children.

- This has been identified as a key risk in the transmission of Covid-19 in the return of children to full schooling.
- Please do everything you can to observe this.



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Nursery:

M has been a real star this week. He has been using great talking skills while playing with his friends and teachers. He has been counting accurately, working carefully, being happy and listening attentively in various nursery situations. It has been a wonderful journey so far and we are so happy to see his progress. Well done!





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26th March 2021

Reception:

Well done Reception class for another great learning week. As always you have all worked very hard! These two children have really stood out to me this week and they are **E'** and **M**.

E'- For being so helpful around the classroom, you are always seeing what Jobs need to be done. You never wait to be told you just see what needs to be done and you get on with it. You are working really hard with your phonics, writing sentences by yourself, words, and your phonic sounds well too. Well done to you this week!

M In group reading this week you were really following along with your 'magic pointy finger' reading the words so fluently, you were able to answer questions and share your ideas with your group. I can see that you are becoming more confident to share your ideas with your class too. Well done!





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Year 1:

This week I would like to choose J for my star of the week. We have been recapping all of the maths skills we have learnt this year and he has worked very hard to try and remember all of the different methods. He worked very well independently completing all of his maths questions this week. Well done!

Also, I would like to give a star to **A** for her excellent writing this week. She is really thinking hard about her sentences before writing them down and she is also working hard to make sure that her presentation is beautiful. Well done!





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Class 2

As always, Class 2 have worked so hard this week. They try their best whatever is thrown their way, whether it be an arithmetic test or figuring out the ingredients of different smoothies. Every child in Class 2 put 100% into their writing this week.

A's writing really stood out to me this week and she took on the role of 'miniauthor'. It was clear by the language she used that she was writing to create a detailed image in the reader's mind. Her choice of vocabulary was outstanding. Well done!

My second star this week is **L** for his kindness and care for the people around him. He is one of the most thoughtful children - he tidies after his partner without being asked to and is always there to help his friends. Luca, your positive attitude is inspiring and your kindness never goes unnoticed!





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Year 3:

As always, Class 3 has approached the week with boundless energy and joy. My stars this week would light up any room and I am very honoured to be their teacher.

My first star is **A**. She always tries her hardest regardless of the difficulty. She never shies away from a challenge and works with determination to complete every task. It gives me the greatest pleasure to watch her buried in a book and giggle as she writes. Her Literacy book regularly sits at the bottom of my pile for marking - knowing it will be a treat! You are amazing!

I would also like to give **P** a star this week and could give him one every week! His work and behaviour is consistently good. He is gracious, honest, kind and hardworking. He works well with everyone and is a popular member of the class. He will never let you down. Well done!





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Year 4:

So Mrs Hulbert has had the pleasure of teaching Year 4 for much of the week and would like to say, first of all, that the whole of Year 4 have been superb in their positive attitude towards the assessments we've been doing throughout the week. Year 4's motto has been that 'we love tests!' and they have certainly shown amazing focus and effort in completing them all. If I have to pick two out of the class, it would be **L** and **D** who have also worked really hard in their other lessons, have been fully engaged in the learning and have made lots of interesting and informative contributions. Well done!





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Year 5

The whole of Class 5 for their attitude and demeanour on our mini-trip to Downhills Park for Science on Thursday afternoon. They were well-mannered, good-humoured and fully immersed themselves in the measuring task (measuring the relative distance from The Earth to the Moon, and the relative distance from The Earth and the Sun).

When the cold showers drifted away and the afternoon sun came out, it was a fantastic reminder of why it is so great that we all have the opportunity to be physically back in school again. Lastly a big thank you to Ms. Donald for organising our Science trip and Ms. Griffin for her crucial mathematical input with our scale factor. Perhaps some more park trips in the Summer Term? Watch this space!





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Year 6

Well done to all of year 6 again this week. They have been working really well and I am very happy with the effort that all of them have made. It is a joy to be their teacher.

R - For her fantastic effort in maths. This week we have completed some tests and Roisin did exceptionally well in her arithmetic test, achieving 39 out of 40. She also did extremely well in both reasoning papers too. Well done Roisin!

K - For his efforts in handwriting. This week he produced a beautifully presented copy of his story about King Kong. Mrs Kennedy was very impressed with his efforts. Keep up the hard work!







