

St John Vianney Catholic School

School Newsletter

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



Green Shoots of Recovery?

At our assembly this morning, our year 6s shared the Gospel from John where Jesus describes himself as the 'true vine' and that we are the 'branches'. The very essence of a community, is at the heart of that Gospel and our optimism grows that we will start to rebuild some of the community spirit that the past year's isolation had threatened.

Borough-wide competitions to encourage a fitness burst, community art projects designed to make our local park more family friendly and the tantalising promise of a return to school trips and visitors are just some of the signs of this recovery.

We wish our Year 3s the very best as they embark on their First Holy Communion over the next few weeks – more signs of recovery and rebuilding. A big 'well done' to our Parish team for preparing the children in such alien circumstances.

While we must still follow national guidance, a guarded optimism is in the air and we look forward to more, cautious but firm steps forward.

Enjoy the long weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday!

God bless, *Mr. McNicholas*



Reminders and Notices

First Holy Communion at SJV:

Best wishes and good luck to all of our children making their First Holy Communion in the coming weeks. The dates are as follows: 1st May 11am, 2nd May 12.15pm, 3rd May 11am, 8th May 11am and 9th May 12.15pm

Planting Day - Stanley Culross Open Space 8th May 11am

As some of you are aware, Y2 & Y3 have been involved in an art project working with Groundswell Arts. We are working with other members of the local community to improve the green spaces around the school.

The "Friends of Stanley Culross" have organised a family day for planting at the park, starting at 11am. So for all you with "green fingers".....time to get mucky!

(If you can bring a trowel, that would be helpful, but not essential.)



I am the true vine, and you are the branches...

Jesus said to his disciples, “I am the true vine and you are the branches. But just as a branch cannot produce fruit unless it remains joined to the vine, you cannot produce fruit unless you remain in me. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away. But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, then you will produce much fruit to the glory of God.”



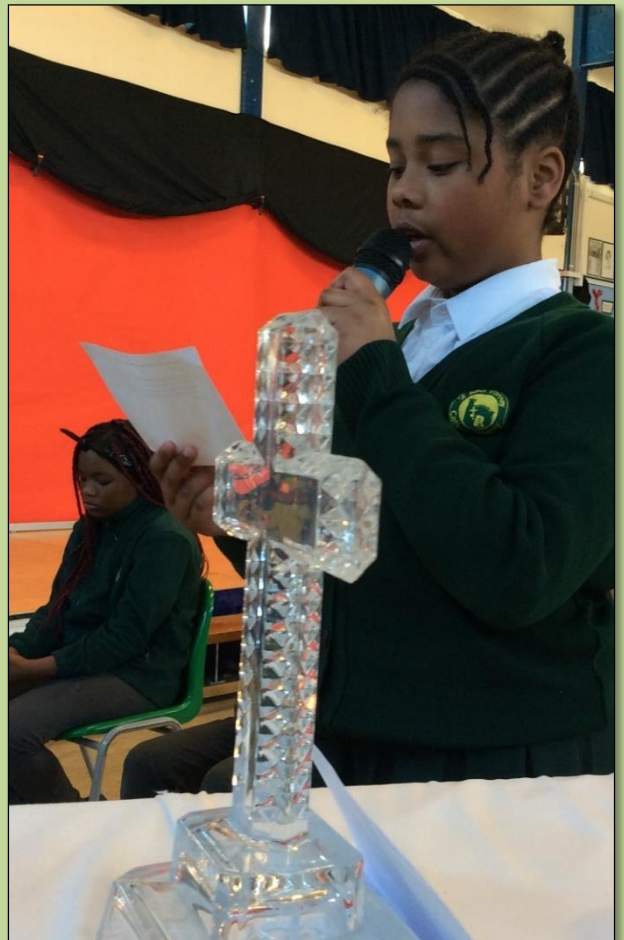
Love is a fruit in season at all times,
and within reach of every hand.
Anyone may gather it and no limit is
set. Everyone can reach this love
through meditation, spirit of prayer,
and sacrifice, by an intense inner life.

— Mother Teresa —

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Pope Francis said: “We cannot grow up by ourselves; rather, we journey and grow in a community, in a family.”



Our Assembly

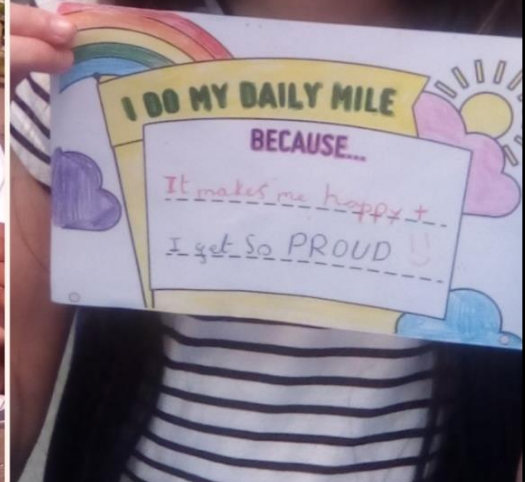
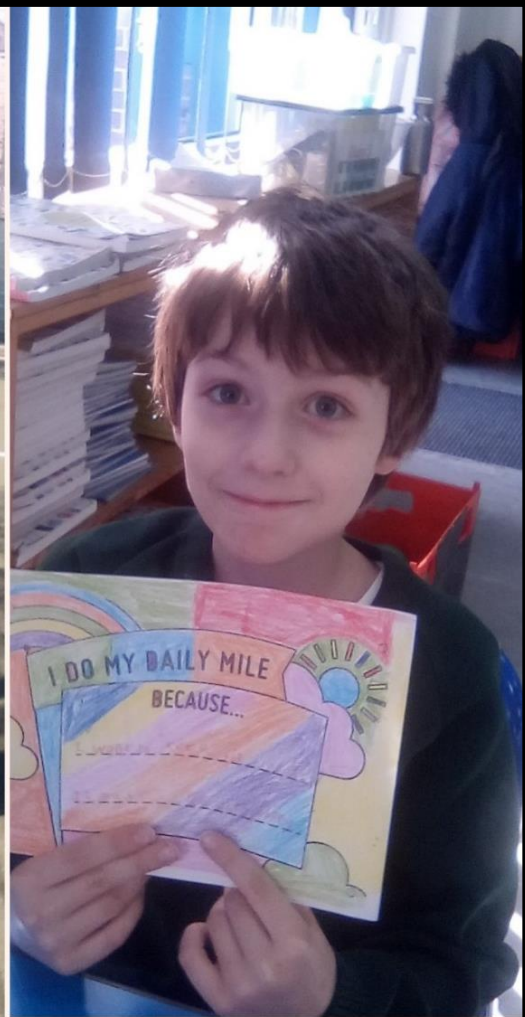
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The Spring Stride

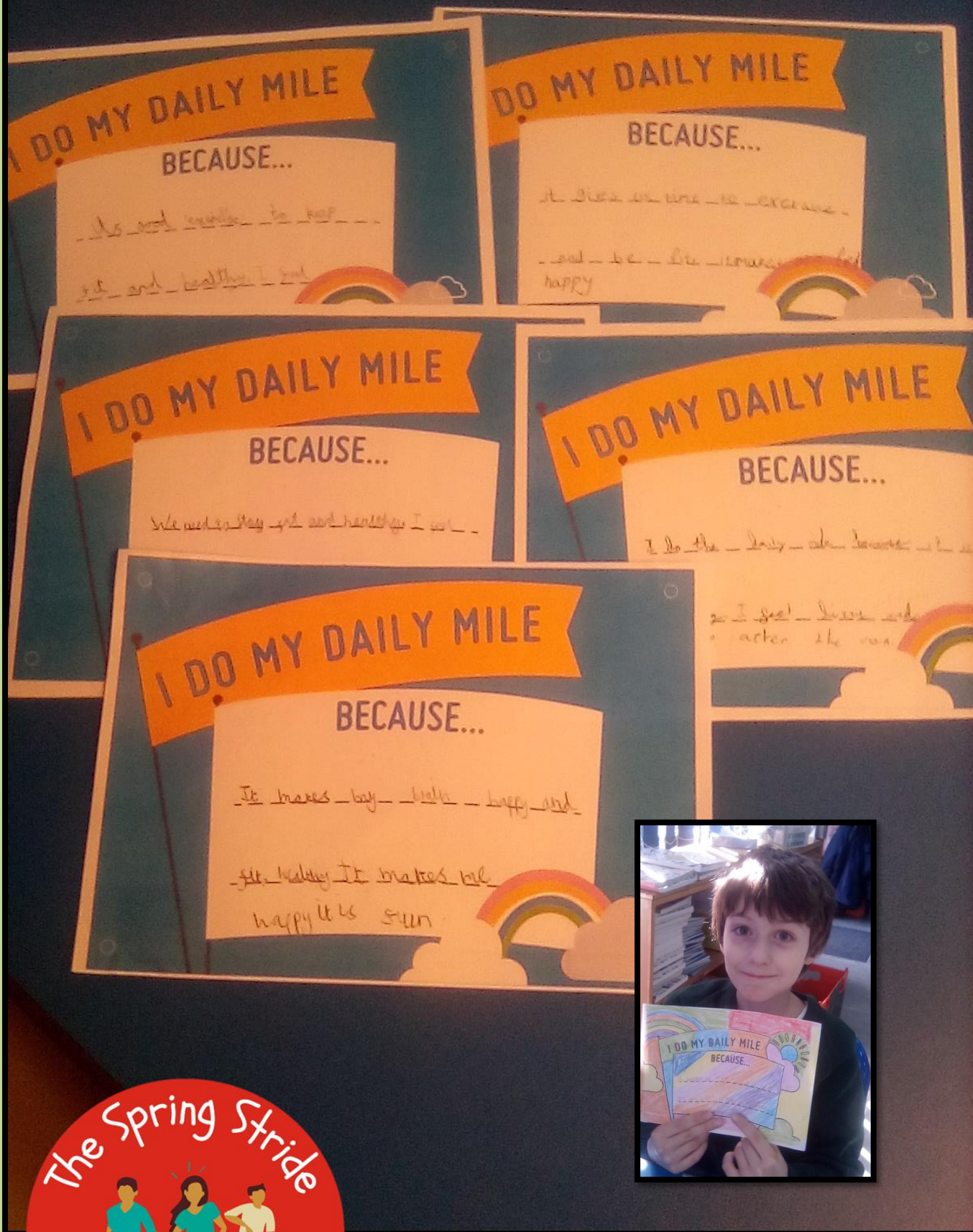
As we all know, it is important to encourage children to participate in regular physical activity to promote good physical and mental wellbeing. The benefits of exercise can also be seen in the classroom with improved concentration and memory function. After a long period of Lockdown, it is important that we get our bodies moving as well as catching up on our school work!



We are joining a Haringey-wide competition based around 25 days of physical activity. We will be assessed on how frequently our children participate in physical activity and the variety of activity. Daily physical activity could be The Daily Mile, sports, games, or more traditional PE lesson activities. Our children LOVE a competition – bring it on!





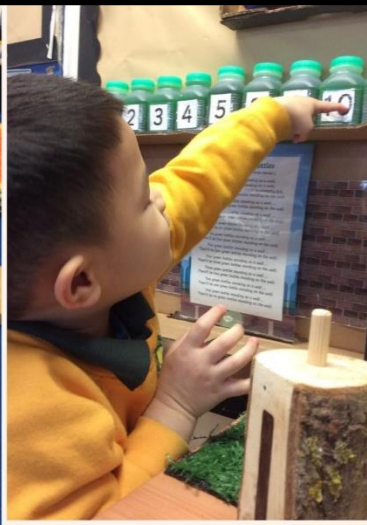


I Do My Daily Mile Because...
"It makes me happy..."



PE – Year 1 Style!





Nursery Life!



Dear Parents of St John Vianney Primary,

The **Haringey Mental Health Support Team (MHST)** offers emotional wellbeing support to families and schools, as part of the Haringey Trailblazer Project. We are usually based in your child's school but as this isn't possible at present, the MHST is offering a space where you can talk about any worries or concerns you may have in regards to your child;

Drop-in Session: Every Monday, 2-3pm
Telephone: 020 8702 3425

You can book a slot by getting in touch with **Rachel Donald** using the following email: r.donald@st-johnvianney.haringey.sch.uk.

I look forward to supporting you.

Yours sincerely

TrailBlazer Team





Crisis Navigation Service

If you require help to access a Haringey based food bank, you can contact our Crisis Navigation Service on Monday, Wednesday, Friday (10am-3pm).

Send us a Whatsapp Message by scanning the QR code below or on **07845 013956**



There will be **no in-school eye tests** for Reception children this year due to Covid restrictions. Please read this letter carefully if you have a child in Reception.



**North Middlesex
University Hospital**
NHS Trust

Sterling Way
London N18 1QX

24/03/2021

Eye tests for children in reception 2020/2021

Although serious vision problems during childhood are rare, routine eye checks, also called vision screening, are offered to all young children in reception to identify any problems early on. For over 30 years Orthoptists from The North Middlesex Hospital have provided these eye checks to children in reception in schools in Haringey.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions put in place, the team have not been able to carry out eye checks of children in reception 2020/2021 and your child has therefore missed this essential check of their eye.

Why are eye checks necessary?

The sooner any eye problem is found, the sooner you and your child will be able to get any treatment and support needed. Eye checks can detect if there is reduced vision in one or both eyes at an age when treatment has the potential to improve their vision. Children may not realise they have a problem, so without routine tests there is a risk a problem may not be spotted.

It is estimated that 1 in 50 children currently has a lazy eye condition, called Amblyopia. Amblyopia can be treated successfully in younger children by for example providing the child with glasses, but if undetected it can result in permanent lifelong reduced vision.

Because your child has not had an eye check this year as part of the screening programme, we strongly encourage you take them to a local optician as soon as possible. The optician will be able to carry out a free NHS sight test for your child, and if they find any issues, they may be able to treat this with glasses, or refer your child to the Hospital eye services if they feel this is necessary.

If you are not sure where your nearest optician is, you can find out through this NHS website <https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-an-optician> where you can add your postcode and see a list of opticians in your local area.

Kind regards,

Clare Miller

Head Orthoptist

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, book a test 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.

Reminders

- **Uniform:** now that the weather is milder, can I ask that we return to observing the usual school uniform code after Easter, including footwear?

If there are any issues regarding a return to uniform, please contact us to discuss.

- **PE Kits:** we will continue to ask children to wear their PE Kits to school on PE days; until the outlook and guidance changes, this will contribute to managing any possible transmissions.
- **Normal uniform should be worn on days where your child is attending an After School Club (they will change into PE Kits at the end of the day)**

Nursery Places

- Nursery (Sept 2021)
application forms are now
ready. Please email the
[admin@st-
johnvianney.Haringey.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johnvianney.Haringey.sch.uk)
to make an appointment to
collect a form.



Lunch Menu for the Summer Term

Menu Week One

Week Commencing: 12th April - 3rd May - 24th May - 21st June - 12th July - 1st Sept - 20th Sept - 11th Oct

Pupils' Choice Extra

Monday

Beef Bolognese or Vegetarian Sausages V with Potato Wedges

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Cheese Sandwich

Tuesday

Italiano Chicken Fillet with Savoury Rice

Macaroni Cheese with Wholemeal Herby Bread V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Ham Flat Bread

Wednesday

Roast Pork and Sage and Onion Stuffing or Quorn Fillet V

with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Tuna Baguette

Thursday

Beef Burger in a Bun or Vegetarian Roll V with Diced Potatoes

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Chicken Mayo Wrap

Friday

Salmon Fish Fingers or Cheese and Tomato Pizza V with Low Fat Chips or Pasta

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Egg Roll

Monday

Chicken and Sweetcorn Meatballs with Savoury Rice

Veggie Mince Fajitas V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Cheese Sandwich

Tuesday

Chicken Pie with Diced Potatoes

Cheesy Spring Vegetable Bake V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Ham Flat Bread

Wednesday

Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding or Beany Bolognese V

with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Tuna Baguette

Thursday

Cammon Pasta Carbonara with Mixed Side Salad

Quorn Hot Dog with Pasta V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Chicken Mayo Wrap

Friday

Fish Fillet Finger or Cheese and Tomato Pizza V with Potato Wedges or Pasta

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Egg Roll

Menu Week Three

Week Commencing: 26th April - 17th May - 14th June - 5th July - 18th Sept - 6th Oct

Freshly baked wholemeal bread, seasonal vegetables and bowl salads are available daily

Monday

Mild Chicken Curry with Brown and White Rice

Vegetarian "Meat" Balls with Savoury Rice V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Cheese Sandwich

Tuesday

Beef Lasagne with Mixed Side Salad

Quorn Pattie in a Bun with Diced Potatoes V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Ham Flat Bread

Wednesday

Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

Italian Pasta Bake V

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Tuna Baguette

Thursday

Pork Sausages and Gravy or Sweet Potato Slice V with Potato Wedges

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Chicken Mayo Wrap

Friday

Battered Fish Fillet or Cheese and Tomato Pizza V with Low Fat Chips or Pasta

Jacket Potato with various toppings

Chilled Option: Egg Roll

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Some photographs depicting portion sizes and / or garnishes have been used for illustration purposes only. All meal prices are set by individual schools and are subject to local variations.

All our milk is organic - fresh from the dairy

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.



STARS OF THE WEEK

THE FORCE IS STRONG IN THESE ONES...



30th April 2021

Nursery:

Our shining star this week is **O**. She has shown patience and consideration for others in her play. Even when she has really good ideas and is engrossed in her own activity she has learned to involve her interested friends. She is a great leader who is also good at including and respecting others. She is always well mannered, has a great sense of humour, and uses fantastic language. The best thing is that she shares all of this with her friends and teachers! Well done!





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30th April 2021

Reception:

I would like to choose E. You have really been working very hard at writing your name and surname this week. You are becoming much more confident in your talking skills and sharing your lovely ideas and talking sentences with your class friends during carpet time. It is lovely to see you becoming much more confident!

J, for answering some great how and why questions about our class story this week. We have been looking at the story of Jasper's Beanstalk as part of our 'In the Garden' topic. You were able to sequence the story and gave us some great explanations about what a bean may need in order to grow. Good work this week!





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30th April 2021

Year 1:

I would like to give a star to **A** for making great improvements with her reading. She read with great confidence in her reading group this week and it was wonderful to see the progress she has made. Keep up the good work!

R worked so hard this week in science and was able to make a picture of a plant and name all the parts correctly. It was wonderful to listen to you saying the names of the different parts of the plant!





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30th April 2021

Class 2

We have been ever so lucky this week in Class 2! Not only do we now have Gabriele back, but we also have a new member of our Class 2 superstar squad - Leonardo! I have chosen both **G** and **LG** as our stars of the week this week.

G for settling back in so well to a classroom and school environment that must look so different to when he was at SJV in Class 1. I have been utterly impressed by how hard he tries in every subject, how well he listens to his teachers and how he has adapted to the classroom routines so quickly. It's like he has been here all year! It's great to have you back with us.

L for also settling in so well to Class 2 having joined us on Wednesday. He is polite, kind and extremely helpful to his teachers and classmates, offering to help in anyway that he can. He has shown his teachers that he works hard and he has already made lots of new friends. I am so grateful to have another great addition to our class!





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30th April 2021

Year 3:

If there is one thing that Class 3 do not lack, it is enthusiasm. Regardless of what is being offered, they will throw themselves into it with zeal. Challenges are not difficulties, just problems to be solved - and there is always a solution. What a great attitude!

The stars this week are wonderful examples of this determined spirit.

My first star goes to **K**. His ability to take advice and turn it into something positive is so mature and inspiring. I asked him this week if he could try to start joining his handwriting and within minutes beautiful script appeared before me! This is typical of Kane's attitude to everything, always striving to do his best. If you are unsure about what you should be doing at any given time - look to **K** - he will be doing the right thing!

I wasn't surprised when Ms Griffin recommended **D** to be a star this week. Again, he has displayed great passion and a willingness to learn in science. He understands that learning comes from making mistakes and his resilience allows him to do this with a great enthusiasm. He is always willing to contribute in lessons and takes advice graciously and maturely. Well done!





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30th April 2021

Year 4:

I nominate **C**. She is a valuable member of Class Four. She always tries her best no matter what the challenge may be.

Furthermore, she is a very inquisitive individual who always wants to find out more and learn as much as she can in a given day. She is always hungry to find an answer to any questions which she has. Keep being amazing.

Secondly I nominate **S**. She is a very sensible St John Vianney pupil. Whenever I look at her she is always ready for learning. She is an outstanding role model to others by always doing the right things, whether that is on the playground, in the classroom or in the line. I am very proud of her and the effort she shows in her work. Well done!





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30th April 2021

Year 5

Both **C** and **M** have shown throughout this week that they are very supportive and encouraging partners in class. If one child is absent for the input, the other does not hesitate to explain instructions. They listen to each other's thoughts and ideas, but also challenge each other in a respectful way. They support each other and enjoy working together. I also really liked how they acknowledged that it was a team effort when sharing with the rest of the class. Well done to you both!





STARS OF THE WEEK

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30th April 2021

Year 6

Well done again to all of year 6 for their hard work and efforts this week. They have been writing letters of complaint to Camp Green Lake from the book 'Holes' and so far have done a great job!

P for her enthusiasm for reading. It is clear she really enjoys books and the different adventures that she reads. This week she asked for recommendations and suggestions for new books and offered her own ideas to others. Well done **P**, it is fantastic that you are continuing to develop your love of reading.

A - His overall attitude in class is very good, he works hard in all subjects and will always try his best when completing tasks. He shares his ideas with others and listens carefully to instructions given to him. Thank you for your efforts, keep it up!





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