

St John Vianney Catholic School

School Newsletter

Edition: 220 23rd September 2022

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



A Return to St. John Vianney!

It is wonderful to see our children returning to the community and to St. John Vianney Church this year! Fr. Joe makes us very welcome and it is essential that our children recognise that, just like the SJV church, our school is a part of the church's mission.

This week, Year 6 shared some of their Art & Design work with the congregation, and I am sure they enjoyed the pride and skill on display!

We are always proud of our children when they go into the community and represent their school in this way.

God bless, Mr. McNicholas



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Fri 30th Sep – 3:15pm
in the playground.
Enjoy a cuppa and a
cake!



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COFFEE
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Notes & Reminders

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Information (September 2023)

The deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October 2022. Please ensure that you have concluded your application by then. The following documents and links are essential:

- [Haringey's admissions page](#) - find out more information and begin the application process.
- [Haringey's Secondary Transfer Booklet](#) - all the information you'll need
- [Details of Secondary School open events](#) - visit as many as you can

HCL - Our catering supplier:

On 28th September 2022 from 3.30pm - 4.30pm our catering supplier will be in the school hall for parents and children to sample their new menu. Please come and join us after you collect your children from their classrooms.

HCL has also asked for feedback on their school meals. Please use this survey link <https://j629vxfj5jz.typeform.com/to/xabdk1ea>

The competition will run until 30th September and a £50 amazon voucher is on offer for the winner who will be drawn on the 3rd October.

Dates for your Diary

- ***Friday Celebration Assembly:*** Every Friday, straight after drop-off; enter via the main school entrance. Everyone welcome, always!
- **Fri 30th Sep** – Macmillan Coffee Morning
- **Wed 28th Sep** - Herts Catering Taster Day. Find out more about school lunches and taste some samples! 3:30 in the hall
- **Wed 28th Sep** – Class 5 at SJV Church for morning mass
- **Fri 30th Sep** – Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. 3:15pm
- **Wed 5th Oct** – Individual School Photos
- **Wed 5th Oct** – Class 4 at SJV Church for morning mass
- **Wed 12th Oct** – Class 3 at SJV Church for morning mass
- **Thu 13th Oct** – Year 3 trip to the British Museum
- **w/c 17th Oct** – Parent/Teacher Consultations (days TBC)
- **Fri 21st Oct** – Black History Sharing Assembly; Last day of half term; finish 3:30pm

Online Safety

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many platforms which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

REDDIT

R/FUNNY

R/TRENDING

AGE RATING

13+

R/MEMES

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Reddit describes itself as a social news website where users connect and share stories, opinions and support; debate issues; ask questions; and chat to people with similar interests. Discussion topics are organised into communities (known as subreddits) that are created, run and populated by users, who remain anonymous throughout. Free speech is encouraged, and users – or 'redditors' – can vote posts 'up' or 'down' so they get more (or less) attention. Reddit is free to join, although signing up to Reddit Premium unlocks an advert-free version of the platform.

MINIMAL MODERATION

As sharing opinions on Reddit is easy (and anonymous), offensive or age-inappropriate content is frequently posted. Moderation by admins and bots does occur, but can't cover every community – so Reddit relies on users voluntarily moderating these spaces. Subreddits marked NSFW (not safe for work) can contain anything from profanity to pornography, so are not suitable for under 18s.

HARASSMENT AND TROLLING

If someone on Reddit doesn't agree with your child's opinion, they may feel compelled to say so – in no uncertain terms. This could lead to a public bombardment of hurtful messages. Likewise, Reddit users are highly likely to encounter trolling (where someone posts a deliberately inflammatory comment to provoke a reaction) on the platform, which can be distressing.

FAKE NEWS

Absolutely anyone can post a story on Reddit, so sub-reddits are occasionally prone to bias, misinformation and opinions being repeated as if they are facts. Fake news articles often grab users' attention with catchy or controversial headlines, and Reddit is no exception. It's important that young people are able to identify fake news – and disregard it rather than sharing it.

GIFTING AND SPENDING

Users can gift awards to the authors of posts that they like (thereby encouraging their favourite redditors to keep contributing) by spending Reddit Coins. This virtual currency can be bought on demand (with real money) or received as part of the paid-for premium package. Users sending a gift can also leave an anonymous private message, a feature which has been abused by groomers.

'SUPPORTIVE' STRANGERS

By definition, Reddit users interact with strangers in public through their community – but also have the option to do so privately. Groomers could repeatedly up-vote a child's comments or respond encouragingly to their posts to win their trust. Once they've built a rapport, the predator then begins messaging the child in private to obtain personal details or try to lure them into meeting in person.

NEVER-ENDING NOTIFICATIONS

Reddit's default is for all notifications to be on. There are a total of 26 types of notification on the platform, ranging from chat messages and comments to updates and mentions of username. This would lead to a child's device being pinged almost constantly with alerts, frequently causing them to be distracted by incoming notifications rather than being present in the moment.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SORT THE SETTINGS

Reddit's user settings can help ensure that minors don't view adult material. Under the 'Feed Settings' tab, switch the Adult Content toggle to 'off', and enable Safe Browsing Mode (this blurs out any explicit images). Also in settings, you can turn off all unnecessary notifications, to prevent your child being distracted by every post or comment on Reddit, allowing them some tech-free time.

ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

It can often be difficult to tell if something online is real or fake – particularly for young people. It's important to encourage your child to double-check with reputable sources if what they've read is genuine. Remind them to consider what motives might be in the message – and to watch out for scams. Chatting about this regularly helps to develop critical thinking skills and good online habits.

RISE ABOVE IT

If a person says something critical or offensive to your child on Reddit, it's natural that they'll want to respond. Explain to them, however, that is exactly the reaction that trolls look for. Don't give them the satisfaction: instead, report the comment to Reddit Support for investigation. Blocking a user stops them from messaging or following your child on the platform.

AVOID PRIVATE MESSAGING

Through their Reddit profile, young people can control who's able to message them privately – with options including 'no-one' and 'accounts older than 30 days'. These controls help ensure potential groomers can't talk to your child in private, and that Reddit's admins and other users will be able to moderate and report anything they spot which causes them concern.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at BCyberAware. She has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools in Australia and the UK. Claire has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Sources: <https://www.redditinc.com/policies/privacy-policy> (September 2-2021) & <https://www.redditinc.com/policies/content-policy>



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It is in giving that we receive...

St Gregory said, “Cast your cares upon God, for you are his and he will not forget you. Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing.”



Our Assembly

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke:

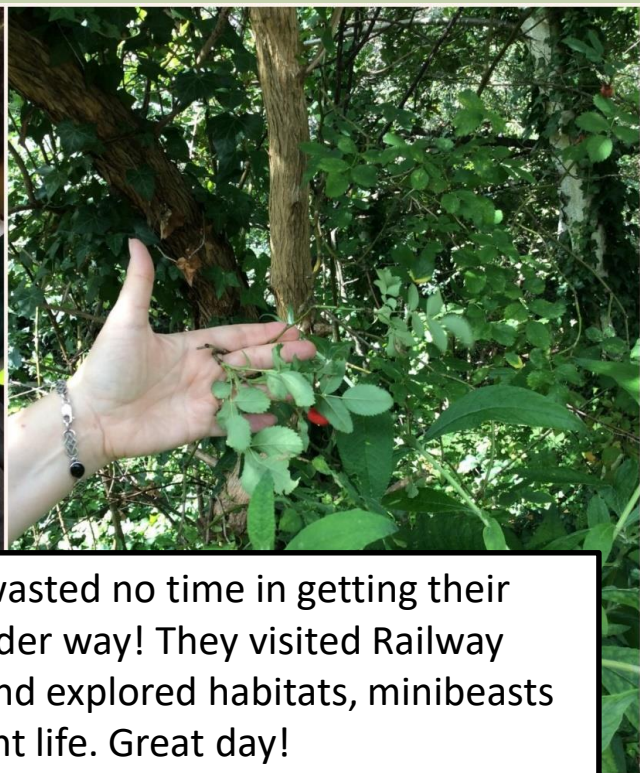
Jesus said, “There was a rich man who always wore the most expensive clothes and always ate the best food every day. There was also a very poor man, named Lazarus, covered with sores, who used to sit outside the rich man’s house. He was so hungry that he wanted to eat the scraps of left-over food that the rich man didn’t want.

When Lazarus died, he was carried away by the angels to heaven. But the rich man, who had ignored poor Lazarus and did not help him, was not taken to heaven.”

The Word of the Lord



School Life



Year 2 wasted no time in getting their trips under way! They visited Railway Fields and explored habitats, minibeasts and plant life. Great day!



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Welcome to SJV! Our new Reception Class were all together for the first time this week and they have settled in SO well! Just look at those smiles!

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Class 3 had their first chess lesson today! They were introduced to their fabulous new chess sets and boards which have been supplied to the school by a charity called Chess in Schools. In lesson 1 they learnt about how chess is a battle between two armies, and they learnt where to place one of the soldiers - the pawns. Watch this space for more news about our budding chess champions!

Nursery Places

- Nursery application forms are now ready. Please email the admin@st-johnvianney.Haringey.sch.uk to make an appointment to collect a form.



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Year 1:

Firstly I would like to give a star to C, you always give your best in everything you are asked to do. I can see the effort that you are putting into all the tasks that you are set. I like the way that you work with your partner as well, always being supportive. Everything is always completed with a smile on your face which is great to see! Well done!

My other star is going to M. I have been watching how well you listen during our lesson time and are always ready to give a good answer. I like the way that you are motivated to make corrections and try to improve your work, this makes me so happy! Well done for making such great efforts in class.

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Year 2:

This week I choose A as one of my stars this week. She has been trying extremely hard in all subjects and has shown such a positive attitude to learning. She even said that she loved learning so much she didn't want to go outside to play!

I would also like to choose I as a star this week. He is good at spotting children who might be feeling a bit lonely in the playground and inviting them to play his games. He is a great example of what it means to be kind and caring to others.

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Year 3:

D is one of the Class 3 stars this week as he has returned to school with just the most amazing enthusiasm and keenness to learn! He is always keen to share his ideas and has put in 100% effort this week. Well done, and keep up the amazing work! C is the other Class 3 star this week. She has settled in fantastically as a new member of the class and like D has a brilliant attitude towards her learning. She is a role model in all subjects, but in Writing particularly, she has been contributing some really excellent ideas and phrases. Excellent effort!

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Year 4:

Class 4 have had a great week. They have shown great maturity and responsibility throughout, impressing all of the adults who have worked with them.

This week I would like to give a star to H. She is incredibly dedicated and hard working. She is a very important asset to any group she works in, sharing her wonderful ideas and always listening graciously to others.

I would also like to give a star to L for always endeavouring to go further and take risks. He worked really hard to make his character description of the BFG original and refreshing, using his thesaurus and the working wall to find different and interesting word choices



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Year 5:

B – for her excellent attitude to her work. She always puts in 100 percent effort and she listens very carefully. Furthermore, in writing, she has tried really hard to make her work interesting and detailed by including lots of description. Well done!

A – For being such a kind, polite and friendly member of class 5. He always says please and thank you and always follows instructions. Well done for being such an excellent role model to others.



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Year 6:

Giovanni - after finishing and checking his work, he has shown on multiple occasions that he is willing to offer his services to help others. Well done!

Alaina - for being patient, kind, empathetic and sympathetic. She never wastes a minute and is ready to learn at every opportunity. Well done!



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