



**St. John Vianney School**  
Steps to Independence & Education for Life

**The Salford Diocese School for  
Children & Young People with SEND**



# Weekly News

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## Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will be aware this week that we have had to send three classes home from school, to self-isolate over the next 14 days, as we had a positive coronavirus test case last weekend. It is pleasing for me to report that the positive test case is managing well at home. On behalf of everyone at school we wish the test case a full and speedy recovery and hope that the rest of the groups isolating stay well and healthy too.



We have had another very busy week in school and the children continue to attend positively and enthusiastically in supporting our efforts to get the full curriculum back up and running. Attendance has been excellent again this week, from the groups that can come to school, and we hope that this can continue. Thank you for your ongoing work in supporting your child back into school each day. If we can do anything to support you as a family, please do let us know.

Can I remind you please we break up for the half term holiday next Friday 23rd October at 3:15 pm. School will re-open for the second half of the autumn term on Monday 2nd November at 9am. I know that many of the children and staff are looking forward to the half term break to recharge the batteries and support us all in getting through the next part of the school term, through to the Christmas break.

On Wednesday this week we sent home 'the Wednesday Word', which is a three week resource to support families in reflective opportunities during those three weeks. Could we ask you please that you take the opportunity to go through the resource with your children, which will continue to guide them on their faith journey? This is something we believe will really provide our children, parents and their families the opportunity to reflect and draw upon on the Lord's support as we go through the next phase of the pandemic. We ask Him to 'stay with us Lord on our journey'.

I do hope you have a great weekend.

Best wishes.

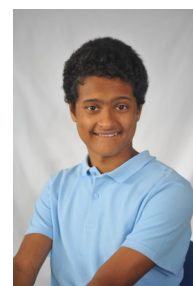
**Mr A Moloney**

## Stars of the Week

Some of our  
**Stars of The  
Week** last  
week!

**Shea**

**Sadie**



## Literacy

This week teachers and classes have been selecting personal books for each student in school from Barrington Stoke's Website. Barrington Stoke offer fantastic opportunities of access to age appropriate material with targeted reading age content and they're Dyslexia friendly books too! It is a great opportunity for us to further develop a love of reading and access to a variety of literary content within school. **Miss Nesbitt.**

**Barrington Stoke**  
cracking reading



# **Our Catholic School**

God's message we are focusing on for this week at SJV is from Pope Francis;-

**'Let us ask the Lord for the grace always to accept an invitation to His feast, which is free'. God's feast is his invitation to live life to the full. '**

We are asking ourselves 'do we make the most of this opportunity'? Even in these difficult times and challenging circumstances, are we making the most of our gifts and talents? Yes, that can be a result of it. But it's so *much* bigger than that. **God wants us to honour him with those gifts!** He wants us to be "good and faithful servants" with our talents. How exactly does God want us to use our talents for him? Two ways:  **blessing others and building His kingdom.** We at SJV are certainly up to that challenge!

Within our Catholic school the chaplaincy team are meeting up and shaping their own ideas and identity for themselves within their bubbles. All of the teams are following the same meeting and schedules, but looking at different ways to raise awareness of our charities and how to celebrate the month of October, lots of great idea and student led learning is going on. It is an exciting time for our chaplaincy teams.

Miss Murphy has sent a letter out for 'Operation Christmas Child', run by the Samaritan purse charity. This charity delivers shoebox gifts to children in more than 100 countries. Please help by sending in some small gifts, and school supplies of hygiene products (For the full list of what we can send see the letter). We are hoping to beat last years magnificent total of 127 boxes.

In RE we have been focusing on it being the month of the Holy Rosary, by making our own Rosary beads. We have been looking at the significance of Rosary beads and how they help us focus our prayer life. We have been looking at how we can let Mary in our lives and prayers, how we can celebrate mothers and others in care giving roles. *Mrs Garfin*

## **A Day in the life of... Rimsha**



**What I've been doing this week: On Monday we went cycling. In English we read 'What makes me a me'.**

**What is the best thing about being in SJV? I like the teachers a lot.**

**It would be even better if... We had a slide in the playground**

**Hopes and dreams for the future: I would like to be a teacher one day.**

## **Introducing... Maria**



**Role in School: Catering Manager**

**What I've been doing this week: Pa-perwork, finalising the new menus for when we will be finally serving hot food 5 days a week. I have also spent time updating the information board in the dining room, it looks ace! And of course making the school lunches.**

**What is best about being in SJV? I love the team I work with, they are great. And the rest of the staff too, I love coming to work.**

**It would be even better if... I know the students, and staff, would love a Hydro pool in School.**

**Hopes and dreams for the future: To continue the fabulous progress we have made in our kitchen. This year we were awarded our 5\* rating for our kitchen practices and Hygiene levels which we are very proud of!**

## Class 6– Independence Skills

Class 6 have been working on their independence skills in Food Tech this week, learning how to make mini cheese quiches and washing up by themselves. *Miss Shaw*



## Class 10-Enrichment

We visited Salford Quays as part of Enrichment on Monday afternoon and were hopeful that we could visit many of the great buildings there BUT the rain scuppered our plans. We did however, have a look around the Lowry Outlet precinct, where we also had lunch and practiced our social distancing ! We went for a brief walk down to one of the bridges on the Manchester Ship Canal, where some pupils were quick to spot Old Trafford football stadium in the distance! We also learned about the many different industries still thriving in this area. We had a lovely afternoon. *Miss Whiting*



### Stressed



Clawed hands (palms forward/in, pointing forward/out) snatch back to chest closing into fists (palms back, pointing in) with working hand above.



It is a key word sign – supported communication system based on British Sign Language. All staff use Signalong and this week we are learning how to sign “**STRESSED**”



# Meet our Careers Advisor

Since qualifying in 1993, I have worked as a Careers Adviser in schools, colleges and sixth forms across Greater Manchester. I have also worked as a Duty Adviser with young people needing support with employment, education, training and personal issues. For the past 20 years I have worked for Trafford local authority.



In St John Vianney School I work with the careers co-ordinator, SENCO and careers team to provide information advice and guidance to young people in KS3 to KS5 and to support the school's careers education programme.

Careers delivery across the year groups includes group work, class talks, vocational guidance interviews and action planning.

There will be college, supported internship and training provider visits and careers events in school. There will be help and support with Post 16 and Post 19 applications, interviews and transition days.

I attend annual EHCP Review meetings from KS3 to support young people and their parents and carers at key transition points -liaising when needed with educational and training organisations, local authorities and support services to ensure the EHCP needs are met and each young person makes a smooth and supported transition into education, training or learning.

I am contactable to parents and carers by meeting in school and by email and telephone. Please get in touch if you would like to talk.

**Ed Clark**

**Connexions Adviser**

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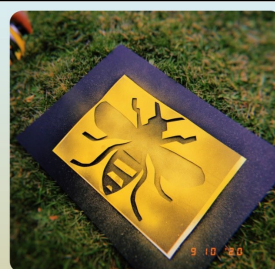
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## Class display boards

Just a couple of the amazing display boards the students have worked so hard to put together this week. Well done!



## Post 16-Social Enterprise Placement

Post 16 have been working hard at their social enterprise placement at the 'Bread and Butter thing' charity. While they are there, they unloaded the van twice and also filled 57 bags full of shopping. Super work by all. **Mr Kanakides**



# #HelloYellow YOUNG MiNDS





Wow it's hard to believe it has been a week since we celebrated #hellyellow day. Thank you to everyone for supporting young minds by wearing yellow and bringing in a contribution. We raised £74.50 For Young Minds. We had a lovely day in school with everyone being extremely creative. The pupils produced some amazing work including; art work, poetry, films, music and rapping. In their hubs the pupils came together at the end of the day to share their work. We also worked together to create a fabulous masterpiece outside the school. A special thank you to Mr Dumville and some pupils for building the structure. Every pupil and member of staff wrote a message of 'Hope' on a yellow tag and attached it to the structure outside. The pupils also used yellow and white material to weave in and out. We really did have a great day. Thank you again for everyone's support.

***Miss Shaw and The Emotional Well-Being Team.***





# The **ZONES** of Regulation®

 <p>BLUE ZONE</p>	 <p>GREEN ZONE</p>	 <p>YELLOW ZONE</p>	 <p>RED ZONE</p>
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This September, to help our Children & Young People to develop the ability to self-regulate effectively, we have begun to incorporate the **ZONES** of Regulation programme into our school curriculum. Please enjoy reading the information pack sent out to all parents and carers this week. Feel free to question your child about their **ZONES** learning. **Mr McLoughlin**

## CLASS 4 AT THE FARM



Class 4 made bird feeders at the farm this week and went on a woodland walk to hang them in the trees. This will help the birds to find food, even during the colder months. Well done Class 4 for showing Welfare for animals who need our help. **Miss Walsh**

