

Weekly News

07/05/2021



Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/ Carers,



I do hope you managed to enjoy the long bank holiday weekend, despite the inclement weather last weekend?

We have had a number of meetings now with the DFE's School Rebuilding Programme team. The School site has been identified, provisionally, as being in scope for a new build and they are undertaking a range of processes and surveys now to identify the feasibility of a new build on the limited area of school site which is currently unoccupied. We know any building work will not start

until Summer 2022, so whilst still very excited about the prospect of the school having a new build, we are conscious we are undertaking a time consuming and intensive process. We should have further information before the summer break and will keep you informed of any developments.

Despite national restrictions linked to the Coronavirus pandemic being lifted, we are still working with pupils and staff to ensure the school is safe for the whole community. We are conscious that we cannot become complacent and are constantly reminding pupils and staff for the need for social distancing, hand hygiene and the wearing of masks in areas of school where social distancing is difficult. Could I ask you please to reinforce these messages at home with your child and encourage our older pupils in KS 3-5 to bring a mask to school and to wear it when on transitions in school. Thank you for your support in this.

It will be great, at some point in the near future, to welcome you all back into school. In the meantime, should you need any support please contact Mrs Griffin (our Family Liaison Officer), or the Admin team who will direct you to the most appropriate member of the team.

Best wishes

Mr A Moloney





Stars of the Week





Just some of our Stars of the Week last week. Well done to everyone.









Our Catholic School

We are reminded this week, in our reflection on God's word, on the importance of our relationship with Jesus. Jesus said 'I am the vine; you are the branches'. We are reminded that we depend on God for life. God loves us and want us to live and grow in him. Keeping in touch with Jesus helps us to grow in goodness, to be fulfilled and to live in peace, kindness and love. Pope Francis tells us 'may nothing keep you from growing in friendship with God' This is vital to our life and work at SJV; we want nothing more than our learners to live fulfilled, happy peaceful life.

In our school I delivered Catholicity training. Each class teacher has created a class identity based on a saint that they believe show the qualities' that our children display or want to aspire to. With discussion with my class we choose Saint John Henry Newman, as we felt he 'spoke' to our class and seemed like a perfect fit; according to class 7!

This week we have been celebrating our natural world, with lots of trips to forest school & the farm for some lucky classes. We have enjoyed the opportunity to grow seeds and have time in our horticultural area.

We continued to celebrate staff mass each week and pray for our intentions. The chaplaincy team are meeting up each week in their bubbles and planning different activities and focus points for their classes.

In RE this week we have continued to look at saints, the environment and what makes us 'British'! *Mrs Garfin*

SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN





Values we aspire to from J.H.N

Being creative/ writing/art playing music Never give up/ Always learning. Being proactive Being the best version of ourselves

Respect and time for God
Treating everyone with love and respect

We chose as class 7 Saint John Henry Newman as we all felt like we had a lot in common with him and his values are ones we aspire to at SJV. He taught that true knowledge was a value in itself and that we have to work continuously to understand how things could be improved differently for the world to be a better place.

Children's Adventure Farm

Post 16 and Class 12 completed their work experience at the Children's Adventure farm this week. While they were there they all worked really hard painting a shed, that they had sanded and prepared the previous week. *Mr Kanakides*











Class 7 braved the wet and windy weather at Cronkshaw Farm and still managed to have a wonderful day! They began their afternoon by feeding lots of hungry goats and chickens and then helped collect some of the freshly laid eggs. *Miss Farar*.



Mindful Minute



Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week 2021, with a theme of Nature. Why not try to spend some time outdoors this week and use your senses to appreciate the world around you. *Miss Walsh*



In Class 1 we learned about the very special place Mary has in our hearts and the Catholic Church, as we said a prayer to her. *Mrs Garfin.*





Some of Class 8 have enjoyed making burger and chips this week in food technology. They are learning valuable life skills and are turning into excellent food critics by evaluating each other's food.

Mrs Donbayand

SJY & U.K. Athletics

Last Friday we had a guest athletics coach in school from U.K. Athletics to look at some of our talented athletes. Some of the boys performed a sprint, throw and jump and attained some impressive scores.

Some of the group will now be invited to attend further coaching sessions to hone their talents. Well done boys! *Mr Whelan*







CAFT Charity Forest School



The children had lots of fun at Forest School this week. Everyone tried really hard to complete the woodland activities on offer. *Miss Watson*





Class 7

The boys wanted to have a picture taken to show how much they enjoyed their Independence trip to Chorlton Centre this week. Mrs Garfin





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 "RUN"

Run

Pointing in and pointing forwards, arms swing as though running.





CYBERBULLYING

ABA1 defines bullying as the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can happen face to face or online.

Cyberbullying is bullying that happens online.

TYPES OF CYBERBULLYING:













HOW IS IT DIFFERENT FROM TRADITIONAL BULLYING?

PREVALENCE:

STUPTO!

S RIGHTS

WHERE?



THINK BEFORE YOU POST:

Is it.

Kind?

