

The background features a large, stylized logo of St John Vianney. The figure is depicted in a light grey color with a dark blue outline. He is wearing a cassock and a zucchetto. The logo is set against a teal circular background. The text "St John Vianney" and "Newsletter" is overlaid on the figure's chest area.

St John Vianney Newsletter

19.11.2021



A message from our Headteacher

We have had another very busy week in School.

Miss Murphy, on Wednesday, organised a visit from a Roman gladiator, who led workshops for key stage three pupils in the school hall. The visitor was able to complement the learning undertaken in Topic lessons, by bringing Roman artefacts to show the pupils and provide a deeper understanding of what it was like to live in Roman times. I was really pleased to see the engagement of all the children in the workshops, which certainly helped bring their learning to life. The feedback from the team of staff involved was that

this was an excellent experience to give the children a full understanding of their learning on the 'Romans'.



Miss Murphy has also coordinated our 'Operation Christmas-child' appeal this year. I know that she was thrilled with the 40 boxes that were collected over the last few weeks, which were able to be donated to this very worthwhile charity. Can I thank all the families who put together a gift box and donated. Shoeboxes will now be distributed across the world, where they are most needed and will ensure that at least 40 children will have some very special gifts to open on Christmas morning. Thank you.



On Monday three of our classes were invited to the Variety Club's Christmas event, at the Brooklyn Hotel in Manchester. The Variety Club do an amazing job in providing opportunities and activities for SEND children and they always look to include the pupils of St John Vianney. The Christmas party on Monday marked the beginning of our celebrations for the Christmas season, and although a little early, it was a fantastic experience. The children all received amazing gift bags of toys and books as a early Christmas presents, which I know were really well received. Thank you to the Variety Club for their on going support and to Mrs Griffin for organising the event.



The next few weeks are certainly going to be busy in the lead up to Christmas and we are all looking forward to sharing our celebrations with the school community and helping prepare the children for Christmas. We will keep you informed of all activities.

I do hope you have a great weekend.

Best Wishes,

Mr A Moloney



Stars of the Week

Each week a 'Star of the Week' is chosen by the class team to celebrate achievements both academic and pastoral.



This week we are celebrating the following achievements:

- Daniel: For excellent behaviour and effort
- Harley: For great engagement and participation in all lesson.
- Amanda: For always doing kind and helpful things for others without being asked or prompted.
- Adam: Improvement in his classwork
- Shea: Dealing with all the change in Post 16
- Ayla: For trying her best with her work and her friendships.

Keep up the good work!!

SJV Class News



Class 8

Class 8 have shown a great interest in banking, spending, saving and budgeting as part of the 'money matters' in the PSHCE curriculum. The pupils identified and explored different banks in Chorlton town centre on Tuesday. Well done Class 8.





Class 10

Class 10 have been learning about the Art work of Michael Craig Martin and will be looking at producing some of their own work in his style.



Amazing effort from Curtis



Micah has done really well on this piece



Class 1

Class 1 have been busy helping Mr Dumville raking up all the leaves this week.



Where to start?



There are so many leaves!!!!

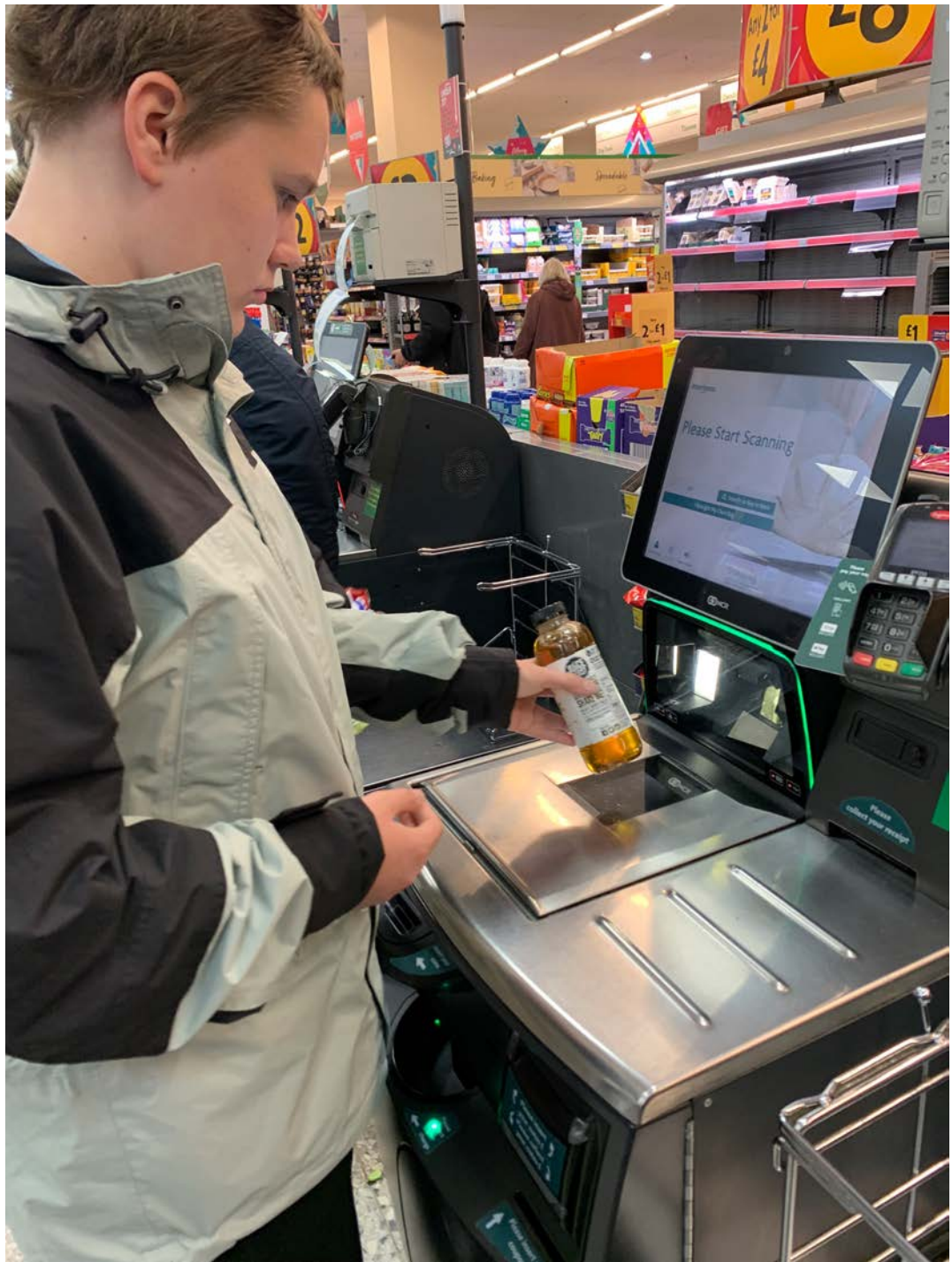


Almost done!



Class 6

Class 6 had a great time on their independence trip this week going to Morrisons. They had a chance to buy some treats and practice their money handling skills!



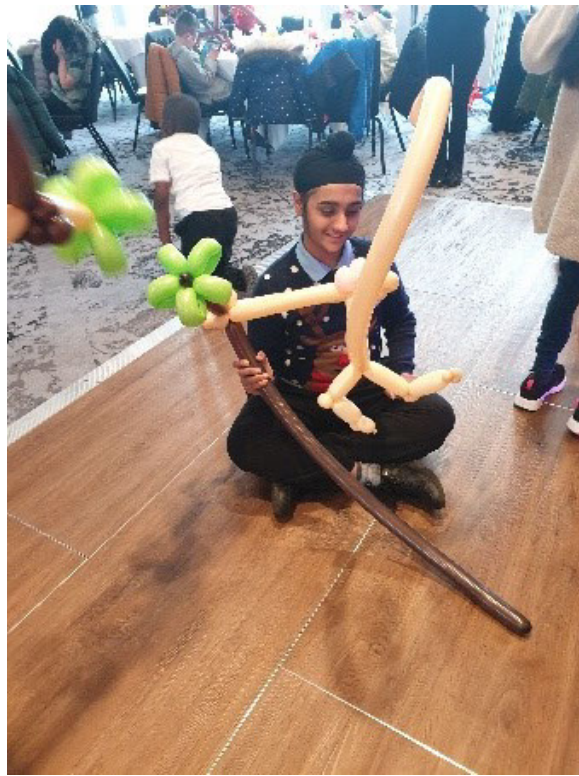


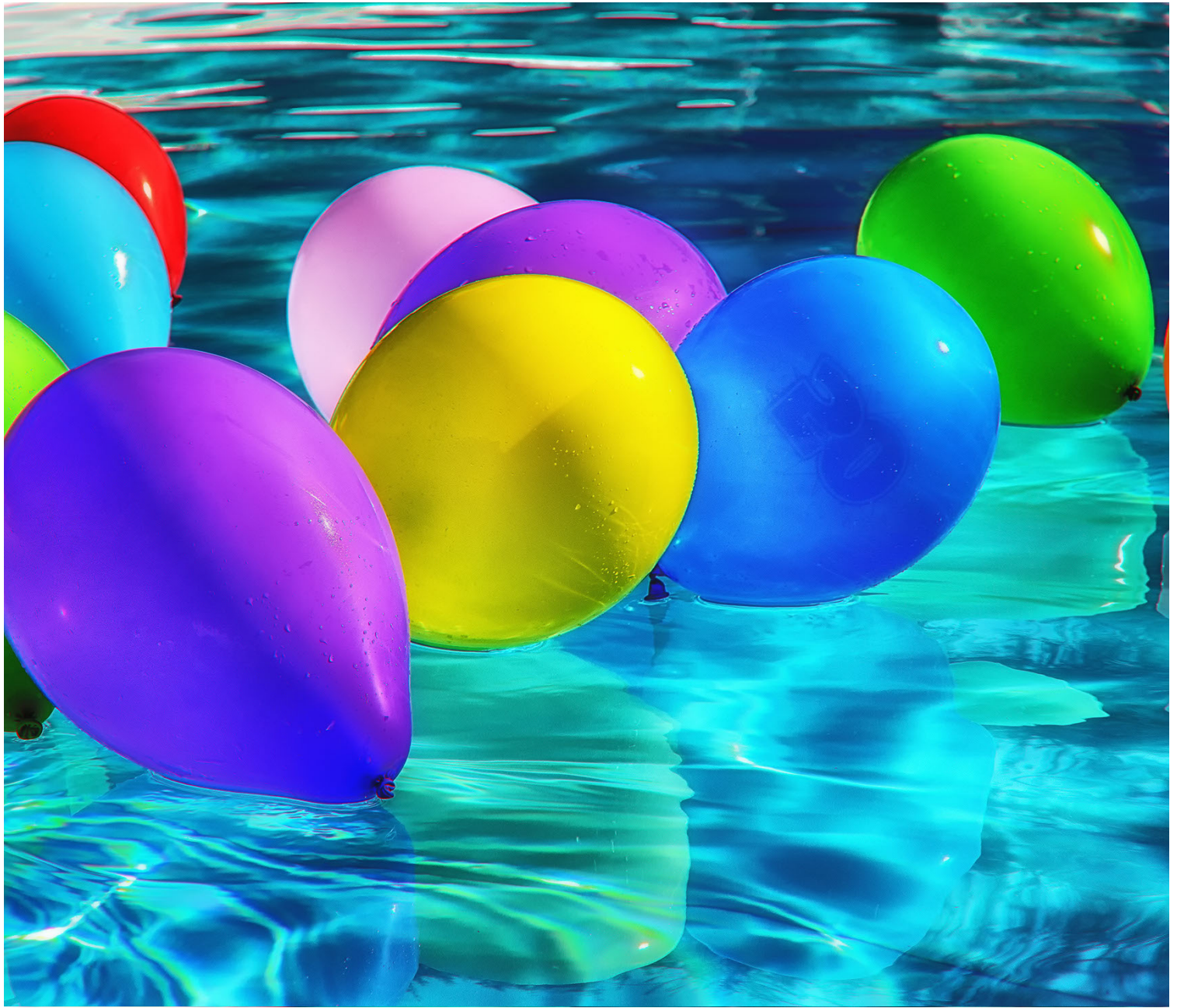
Class 9

Class 9 had an amazing day on Monday at the Variety Club Christmas party.









Class 12

James celebrated his 18th birthday on Monday, surrounded by his friends and staff. Happy birthday James!!





Class 13

Class 13 visited Sale Water Park and worked with the TCV charity. While they were there they worked hard at collecting leaves for composting and also planting trees to help the environment.



Our Catholic School

By Mrs Garfin

This week in SJV, in our prayer focus, we are reminded by Jesus to look beyond the troubles of the world to something far more important; to believe in and have faith in his 'word'.



'Let us give thanks for all the blessings which God has bestowed on us, especially for his patience and faithfulness.' Pope Francis

We need to remember to count our blessings and appreciate all that we have around us.

Within our Catholic school we are focused on kind words and actions as part of the national focus of anti-bullying week. For anti-bullying week at SJV we are writing kind words about each other every day, we would encourage you to do this at home as well. One kind word can change the outlook of someone's day, it can really make a difference.



Class 13 went on class retreat to Father Des' house at Just Youth and really benefited from their time together out of school, looking at friendship and reflecting on the importance of being thankful and kind.



The chaplaincy team meeting this week was all about are getting ready to go out on a full chaplaincy retreat. With 37 pupil chaplaincy members, not including staff, it's a big task! We are looking forward to planning the school Advent launch and activities to prepare for Christmas.



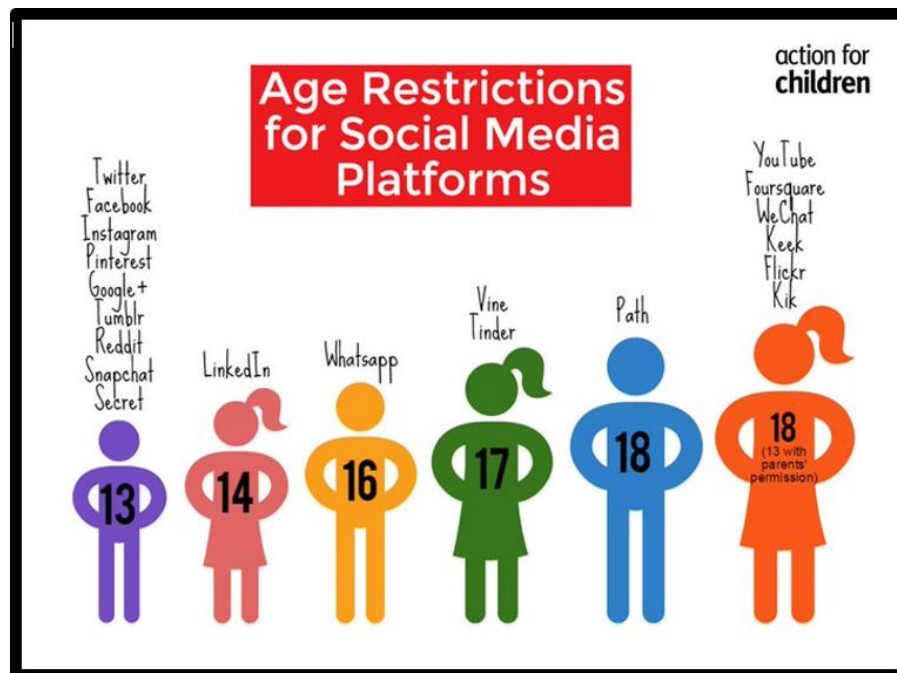
With RE this week we continue to look at November being the month of remembrance, focusing in on patron saints and what it means to be a saint. We have enjoyed researching our interest and finding the saint connected to them. Did you know there is a patron saint of swimming, football, and skiing?



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Family Liaison Messages

By Mrs J Griffin



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Samaritans is a registered charity aimed at providing emotional support to anyone in emotional distress, struggling to cope, or at risk of suicide throughout Great Britain and Ireland, often through their telephone helpline

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Caritas Salford

As the principal domestic social action agency of the Catholic Diocese of Salford, and in this Year of St Joseph and the Family, we have been asked to help to publicise Caritas Salford's #Loved Advent Appeal

Caritas Salford's #Loved Advent Appeal:

Thanks to your kindness, Caritas Salford was able to support 5,000 families across our diocese this year*. To see the difference that your generous support makes, please view the short film - #Loved - produced for this Advent, by visiting <http://www.caritassalford.org.uk/advent-2021/>

You've helped provide:

- A safe place to live for young parents and their infant child with 24/7 support
- Financial grants to families facing a crisis, illness or poverty
- 1:1 advice sessions with our trained staff for as long as it takes
- Food parcels and shopping vouchers
- Essential household items and toiletries
- School uniform, shoes and Christmas treats/presents

So, at a time of year when help to those in need matters more than ever, we ask for your continued prayers and donations, so that we can continue this transformative work with children and families.

Caritas Salford operates:

- 24/7 supported accommodation in Blackburn and Bolton for young parents, providing safety and preparation for independent living
- Professional social workers and trained counsellors in schools supporting children and their families
- Refugee education, response services and community sponsorship for families seeking refuge and a new life in Greater Manchester and Lancashire.
- Trained and experienced staff in our centres (Cornerstone, Lalley Centre and Red Door) giving 1:1 advice and support that helps people to transform their lives

Please do all you can to support Caritas Salford in their mission.



Staff Voice

Mr Lomax



Role in School – Teaching Assistant/Poet In Residence

What I've been doing this week: I've had a fantastic week supporting classes 8, 10 & 11 and enjoyed an amazing poetry workshop with the learners in Class 11, helped rather wonderfully by Mr Donovan and Mr Patel. We explored a wide range of poetry linked to identity, looking at themes of politics, conflict, racism, and love. It was wonderful to see everyone connect with those poems and respond in such a mature way to what was quite difficult subject matter. Everyone in the workshop wrote and even performed their own poem, inspired by the work we had been exploring; it was a real privilege to be a part of and see first-hand students becoming empowered by language.

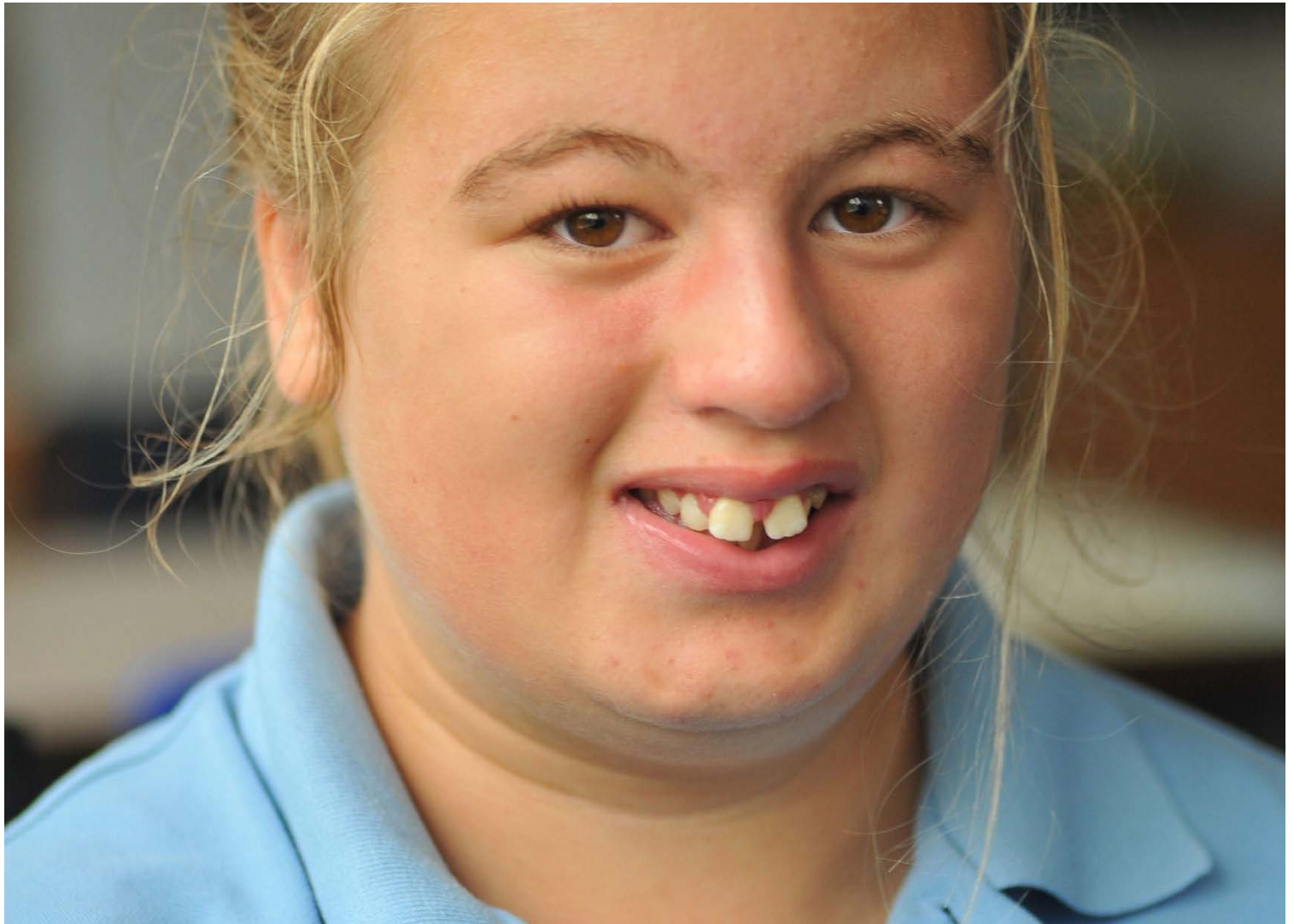
What is best about being in SJV? I love the individuality of all our students, and hearing this celebrated through language. Their uniqueness, even if sometimes challenging, is always so inspiring.

I've never worked in a school with such kind and supportive colleagues, and although I have only been here a few months, I feel really lucky to

be making such great friendships.

It would be even better if... I would love to have more time to deliver poetry sessions as this is my passion,

Hopes and dreams for the future? I'm really excited about the work I'm going to create here with the students and would love to take their writing to a wider audience, to help build their confidence and belief around their own unique creativity.



Student Voice

Leah

What I've been doing this week: I went bowling with my class this week.

What is best about being in SJV? The different activities I get to do.

It would be even better if... I'm happy with the school just as it is, I don't want to change anything!

Hopes and dreams for the future: I'm not sure about the future, I'm just happy now.



Roman Gladiator

Lucius the Roman Gladiator came into school on Wednesday to visit classes 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8. We learned about what life was like in Roman times, learned about some of the most famous Romans and even role-played some battles! The pupils really enjoyed the sessions and behaviour and engagement was excellent!







Enjoy your Weekend!

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