

A stylized dove logo in white and grey, set against a teal circular background. The dove is depicted with its wings spread, facing forward. The logo is composed of thick, rounded shapes, giving it a modern, graphic appearance. The teal background is a solid color, and the dove's body and wings are rendered in shades of grey and white, with black outlines.

# St John Vianney Newsletter

03.12.2021



# A message from our Headteacher

We have had another very busy week in school.

Wednesday marked the beginning of Advent. We celebrated collectively in the chapel with our Advent and reconciliation service, led by Father Desmond and the chaplaincy team. The service provided the children with a real understanding of the four advent themes we celebrate; hope, love, peace and joy. It's also provides the children with an opportunity to understand that the four week period leading up to Christmas day is an opportunity to prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ. An opportunity to prepare selflessly in our work and interactions with others in our community.



Additionally, many pupils have been representing the school at a number of events and competitions. On Wednesday, Mr Wood took a Key Stage 3 team to play in a 'City in the Community' football competition at the Etihad and Miss Wilkinson brought a group of pupils to a talent competition in Urmston. On Thursday, Mr Foden led a group of pupils at a table cricket competition at Lancashire County Cricket Club. I'm really pleased to be able to report that our children were superbly behaved and represented the school in exactly the right way. Thank you to the staff for coordinating these great opportunities and for all the pupils involved for their teamwork, conduct, attitude and participation.

We are receiving updates daily from the Government on the response we are needing to make, in School, to the new variant of Coronavirus, Omicron. The variant is a national concern and we have this week asked all staff and any secondary aged pupils, who are able to wear masks, to do so in communal areas and on transitions in the buildings. We

had a number of children vaccinated at the start of the week, which is very positive and we are asked to encourage all parents and children to continue to be vaccinated and to test twice weekly. Mr McLoughlin has placed a further message in this week's newsletter to support this.



We certainly do not want go back to further restrictions, so we continue to hope and pray that we can continue to live without the impositions we have come to deal with daily, over the last couple of years.

The term ends on Friday 17th December at 3.15pm for the Christmas holidays.





I do wish you and your families a very happy weekend.

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:

- Charlie- For setting a good example to others and representing the school during our football and cricket tournaments.
- Ryan- For always making good choices, and having a calm and positive effect on class 2.
- Efe- For editing a key stage 3 movie
- Jase- Jase has tried a new food in Food Technology and he enjoyed his jam sandwich.
- Justin- For his excellent effort in class and during social time.
- Oskar- For completing his maths and science work this week.

**Keep up the good work!!**

# SJV Class News





# Class 9

Class 9 have had a lovely time decorating their classroom ready for Christmas













# Class 12

Class 12 presented an amazing assembly on Hope, in the the first week of advent.

The staff are extremely proud of them.



We would like to share lyrics written by Tyler.

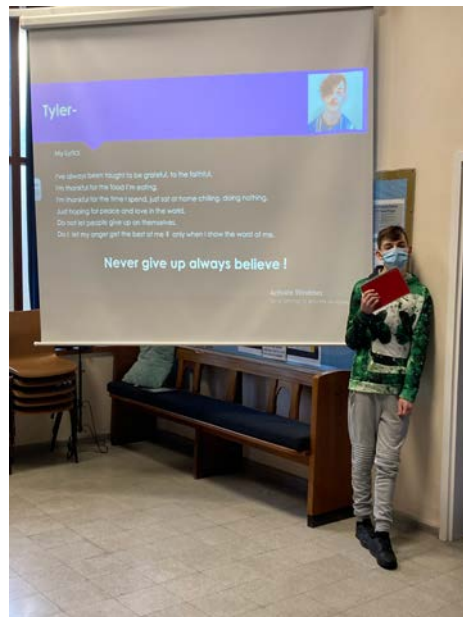
*"I've always been taught to be grateful, to  
the faithful,*

*I'm thankful for the food I'm eating,*

*I'm thankful for the time I spend, just sat at home chilling, doing nothing,*

*Just hoping for peace and love in the world,*

*Do not let people give up on themselves.  
Do I let my anger get the best of me ?  
Only when I show the worst of me". Tyler.*







## Class 3

A group of pupils from Class 3 went to Cronkshaw Farm on Wednesday afternoon. We went on a long walk round the grounds. A special mention to Alfie who shown great determination on the walk.









# Class 13

Class 13 worked really hard at Wythenshawe Park. In very cold snowy conditions they worked brilliantly.







# Class 1

Class 1 have worked together well to decorate our class Christmas trees this week.















# Class 10

Class 10 have been learning about World War II. Mrs Taylor brought in her Grandad's Medals in to show the children along with a photograph of him age 20.





Afterwards, they made an Anderson Shelter in the gym and Mr Lomax read war poems whilst an air raid siren went off!



Anderson Shelter



This final picture is after Tomasz has “demolished” the shelter in the style of a German bomb.



# Class 8

Class 8 made a difference to their reading out loud by looking at feedback and then trying to do the wish /target.







# Table Cricket

The SJV Table Cricket team 2021 had an amazing time at Emirates OT this week. They may not have won, but they had a great day and can't wait to go back next year!!













# City in the Community & SJV

Well done to the KS3 footballers who represented SJV amazingly this week at the football tournament with City in the Community. Everyone had a brilliant day!











## Class 7

When Class 7 visited the farm this week, the chickens had moved house! They are now living in the hen house for a while. Luckily, after a few problems, the hens seem to be laying more eggs again. It was fun taking the food to the hens in the wheelbarrow and collecting the eggs.









# Our Catholic School

*By Mrs Garfin*

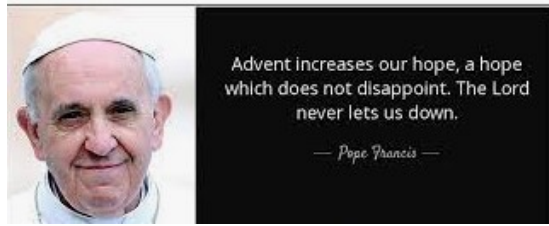
I really love this time of the year, the season of Advent for me is so full of joy, love, hope and it brings me so much peace. I really enjoy preparing myself for the season of Christmas. It's the start of the Church year and for me, as with the rest of the world's population, we are glad of a fresh start! I love the

whole season of getting ready and preparing for Christmas and Jesus' Birth and eventual second coming of Jesus



Advent should make us think how we live our lives and we should begin to make any necessary changes. We are reflecting especially on what Pope Francis reminds us that

*'Advent is a time for us to prepare for the coming of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. It's a time to make peace with ourselves and our neighbours.'*



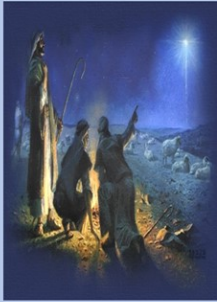
In our Catholic school this week the chaplaincy team helped prepare and run our Advent launch at SJV. We held two reconciliation services; one for key stage 2+3, the second for key stages 4 + 5. Everyone was very respectful and we are able to start our Advent journey together, knowing that we have reconciled our sins with God. A fresh start.

Within RE this week we have been looking at how we prepare for Advent and how we bring Hope, Joy , Love and Peace to ourselves, our school, families and the wider community. We have been doing this by making Advent promises to show that we are reflecting on these themes. We are looking at how we can bring hope to the world during a very difficult time. Classes have prepared their own Advent prayers with RE and form time and reflecting how we can be the hope for the future.





## Week 1: Our week of Hope



### We pray in hope for:

- ☐ For eternal life for ourselves and loved ones
- ☐ For a better St John Vianney school community through our hard work, dedication and care for one another
- ☐ For a better Great Britain & Northern Ireland and a better world

### Let us pray

**All:** Be with us Lord throughout the first week of Advent and inspire us to be people of hope.  
Amen



# Staff Voice

Miss Ball



**Role in School** – KS3 TA with Class 6

**What I've been doing this week:** This week we have been making brownies in food tech, getting the tram and walking around Chorlton working on our independence. The children have been ordering their own food and enjoying some time outside. We've been looking at shapes in maths, evolution in science, we've been cycling and looking at the Romans in Topic!

**What is best about being in SJV?** Working with all the amazing children and getting to know each one of their unique qualities!



**It would be even better if...**The weather wasn't so cold!

**Hopes and dreams for the future?**To work with the children on a 1:1 basis around nutrition, helping the children that struggle with food!

A word from our Family Liaison Officer and Deputy  
Safeguarding Lead-Mrs Julie Griffin



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about The Ofcom Children and Parents: **MEDIA USE AND ATTITUDES** Report 2020/21

## Content Consumption



of children aged 5-15 watch content on video-sharing platforms (VSPs)

Most popular apps used by 12-15 year olds



## Social Pressures

**83% of 8-11s & 89% of 12-15s** felt the pressure to be popular online

## Screen Time

**4 out of 10** parents found it hard to control their child's screen time



## Online Safety



Only **32%** of parents use parental controls built into devices



Only **30%** use controls to restrict access to inappropriate content



Only **50%** use settings to stop app downloads or in-app purchases



**2 out of 3** sought online safety advice from schools

## Online Gaming: Who Plays Games Online?



**55%** of 5-7s



**80%** of 8-11s



**86%** of 12-15s

## Posting/sharing content



of 5-7s shared content online



of 12-15s shared content online

## Parental Concerns



**50%** concerned about pressure to make in-game purchases



**45%** concerned about bullying



**38%** concerned about content

## Vulnerable Children

Children aged 12-15 are more likely to ...



Have a negative experience



Be contacted online by a stranger



Feel pressure to send photos/personal information



Rely on video-calling platforms to socialise



**84%**

of children who have an impacting/limiting condition used video software such as Zoom, HouseParty and Skype

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#WakeUpWednesday

Source: <https://www.ofcom.gov.uk>

## 8-11s

**40%** watch other people's live streams

**8%** have shared live streams

Most popular platforms:



30%



10%



10%

## Live Streaming



## 12-15s

**50%** watch other people's live streams

**17%** have shared live streams

Most popular platforms:



38%



32%



25%



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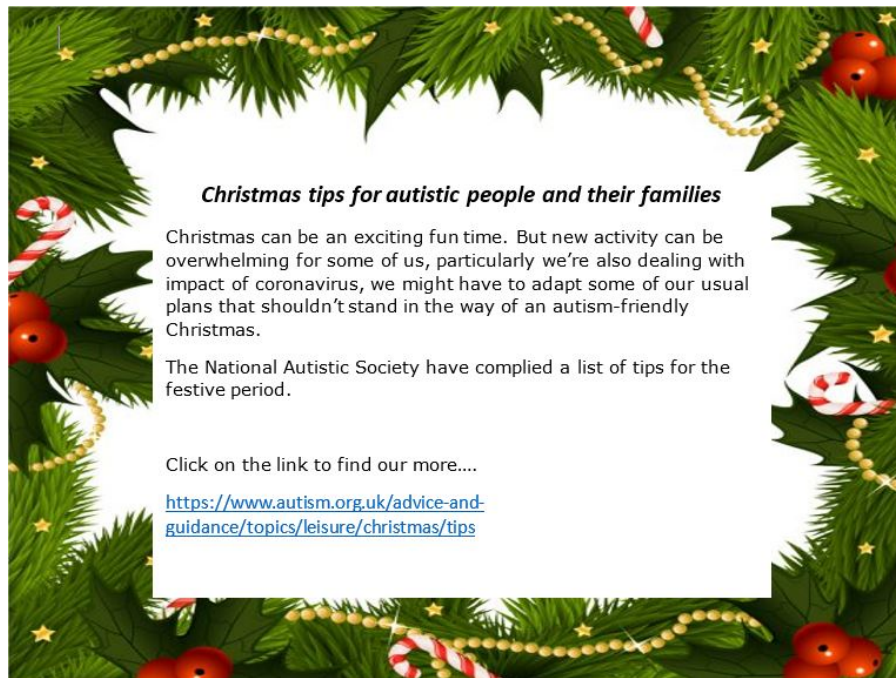
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A message from Mr McLoughlin, Assistant Headteacher.

Following recent developments surrounding the new Coronavirus variant, Omicron, we have been asked by the Government to complete the following;

*We would like all secondary schools to prepare to test their pupils once on-site on return in January...., as testing continues to play a vital role in keeping COVID-19 out of schools. After this test on return, pupils should continue to test in line with government guidelines.*

I would encourage those parents and carers who have not previously given consent for testing, to consider giving permission for their child to join our testing programme in the New Year. Consent forms are available by contacting the school office and should be completed and returned before the end of term.

The government guidelines continue to ask that pupils and staff home test and record their results twice-weekly. Testing kits are available from the school office, in addition to pharmacies in your local area.

**Mr P McLoughlin, Assistant Headteacher**





# Christmas jumper day

Christmas Jumper Day will take place on the same day your child has their Christmas dinner. A small donation of £1/£2 would be appreciated; which we will then donate to charity. If your child has outgrown their Christmas jumper/t-shirt or you have any spare please could you send them in so that we can distribute/swop with other pupils.

# Enjoy your Weekend!

## **Credits:**

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