



St John Vianney Newsletter

28.01.2022



A message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope you and your families are all keeping well?

We have had another excellent week in school. Pupils have been really well behaved, engaged in their learning opportunities and making good progress in their lessons.

The half term has flown by and we only now have 2 weeks until the February half term break. The longer and brighter

days that we see coming now will give us all renewed hope that we can continue to get the school back to its pre-pandemic ways of working.

On Thursday this week, 3 classes had an enrichment day at the 'HIDEOUT Youth Zone' in Gorton. The HIDEOUT's fantastic, new facility provides a range of great opportunities for young people to be involved with in out of school hours and we wanted to show our pupils in Classes 11, 12 and 13 what they could access in their own communities. I was thrilled to hear the pupils loved the experience and enjoyed the classes of boxing, climbing, IT and cooking that were set up for them. I even heard one pupil say 'it is better than school!' Thanks to the staff who supported the pupils and to Mrs Griffin for coordinating.



On Tuesday morning Mr Cooper and the Careers Information and Guidance team set up our first College /Careers morning in school. We had over 25 sets of parents of KS4 and 5 pupils involved and it was great to see the interest that was developed. We are looking at providing our pupils with more career based and work-related learning opportunities which will, we hope, enhance their post SJV ambition and aspirations. Thank you to those parents for attending and to

Mr Cooper and the team for getting the local colleges, the Department of Work and Pensions and our local Apprenticeship provider to join us in a most informative session.



Can I remind you that school will close for the half term break on Thursday 10th February at 3.15pm for pupils. Friday 11th is a staff INSET day in School. School will reopen for the second half of the spring term on Monday 21st February at 9.00am.

Very best wishes for the weekend.

Mr A Moloney

Headteacher

Please note, we have made a change to the School Calendar for the summer term 2022.

Friday 24th June is now an additional School holiday for St John Vianney School. The School will be closed on this

date.

This additional date is in lieu of the national holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration, which falls during the Whit break on June 3rd 2022.

The term dates for 2022-23 have now been approved by the Governing Body and are now available on the School website.

We are recruiting!



The closing date is fast approaching for our Estates Assistant Vacancy. Click on the button below for more information and to download the application

documents. Job Title: Estates Assistant
Post Grade: Band 3 £19 312- £19 698
(NJC Points 5-6) 36.25 hours per week
(shift pattern between the hours of
6.30am and 6.30pm). Full time including
during school closure periods. 25/30
day's holiday per year (depending on
length of continuous service). **CLOSING
DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MON 7th
February 2022 @ 12:00 noon**

[Click here to download our application form](#)

Inaugural College Morning

It was really pleasing to see so many Key Stage 4 and 5
parents attend our inaugural College morning on Tuesday
25th January.

During the event we:

- Illustrated the vision for Careers, Education, Information and Guidance to parents.
- The Department for Work and Pensions provided information to parents with information regarding PIP payments.

- Parents and Pupils had an opportunity to meet with Colleges and discuss options for the future.
- Parents were introduced to opportunities Apprenticeships and Traineeships may provide our pupils in the future.

I'd like to thank parents for their attendance and I hope you found this opportunity informative. Additionally, the team and I would like to extend our thanks to colleagues from the Department for work and pensions, Trafford College, Eccles College, Cheadle College and Manchester College, as well as Matt Leigh, Greater Manchester Learning Provider Network.

Over the coming months, Colleges will be visiting school to meet further with our pupils. After today's successful College Morning we will look to provide further events in the next academic year.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries regarding your child's future steps or interests.

Thanks again,

Darren Cooper

School Business Manager





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:

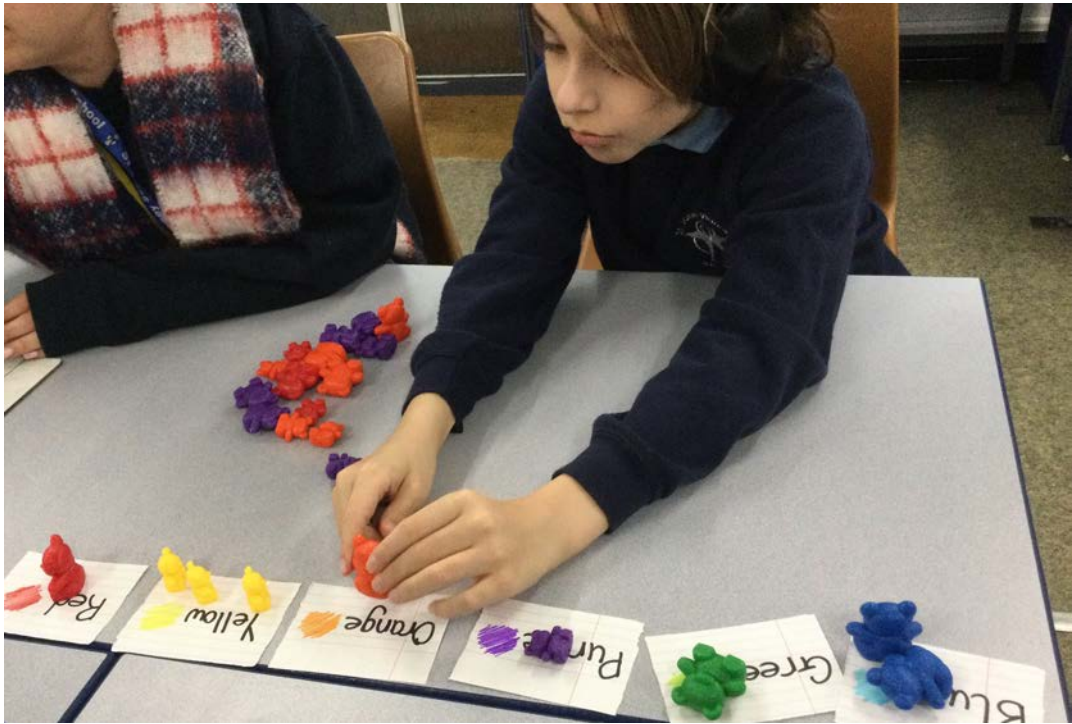
- Aiden-For wonderful work on decimals in Maths!
- Lilli-Mae-For 100% attendance this week!
- Leon-For his support to his classmates.
- Inaaya-For being observant and asking lots of good questions at Wardley Hall.
- Kyan-For having another great week in class and dealing with issues in a more mature way. Keep it up Kyan!
- Isaac-For working hard and keeping to his duties whilst unwell.
- Adam-For taking a mature attitude towards some situations in Class.
- Hassan-For dealing with situations with maturity.
- Ethan-For great speaking in class and working hard in lessons.
- Ayla-For a great first week back in school.
- James-For displaying increased maturity and independence skills.

SJV Class News

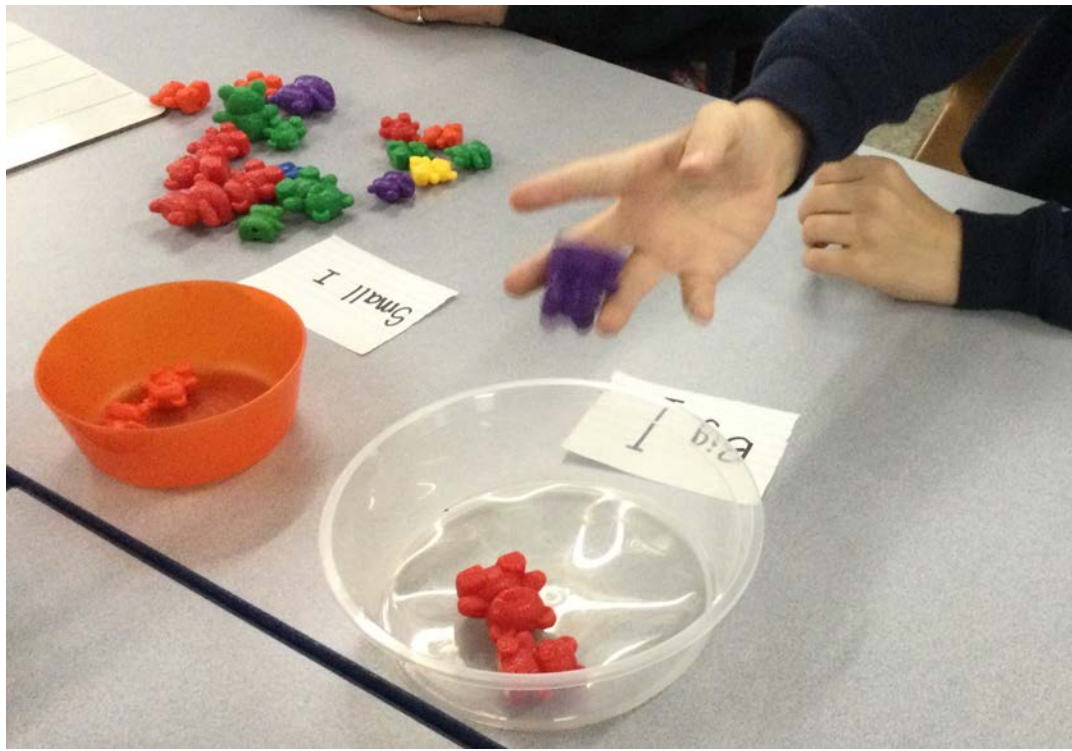


Class 1

Class 1 have tried a few different activities in Maths this week, sorting toys into big and small, sorting by colour, sorting by animal and even creating patterns with them!









Class 8

Class 8 have had the amazing opportunity to visit tenpin bowling as part of the PE curriculum this week and have been the chosen group to attend for the whole of this half term. What a wonderful time they have been having socialising, traveling by tram and competing to win the most strikes! Well done Class 8!











Class 4

Class 4 had a fantastic time toasting marshmallows at Forest school.



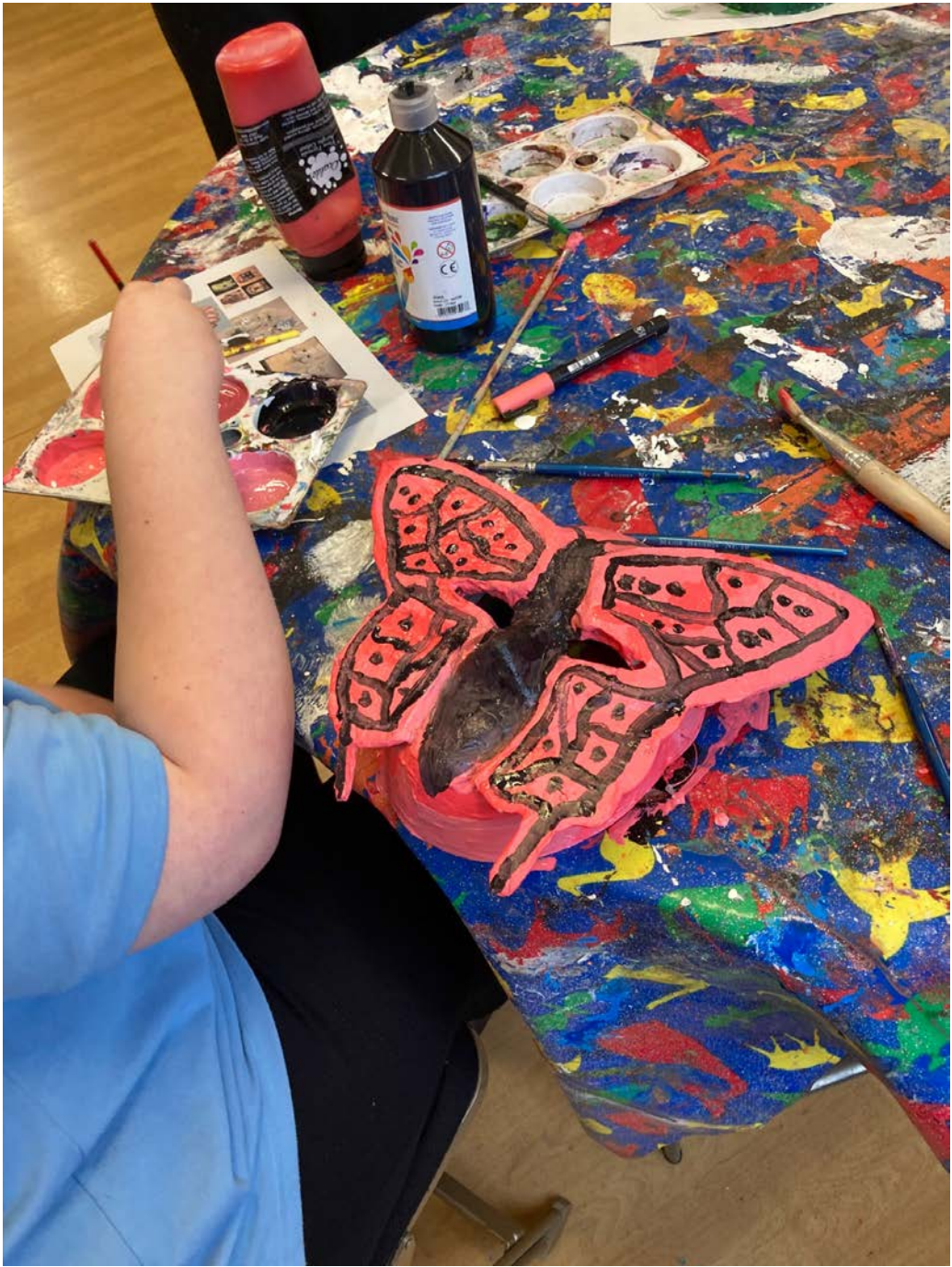




Class 10

Class 10 are continuing to enjoy their time at Gorse Hill ...









Class 7

Class 7 have been making their own sculptures out of clay this week. We studied the sculptors Andy Goldsworthy and Kate Malone, and then had a go at making our own sculptures, inspired by nature.





Class 13

Class 13 worked really hard in their community action lesson this week. They visited Longford Park Disc Golf course and did some litter picking of the area. Manchester Disc Golf community were very appreciative of the gesture. Well done team.

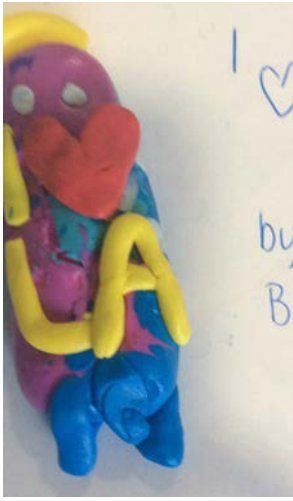




Class 6

The Class really enjoyed making these 'FIMO' mini model characters as part of their emotional wellbeing lessons this week.







Class 9

Class 9 had a lovely morning at Wardley Hall on Thursday. We filled up the bird feeders and planted some seeds.







Our Catholic School

By Mrs Garfin

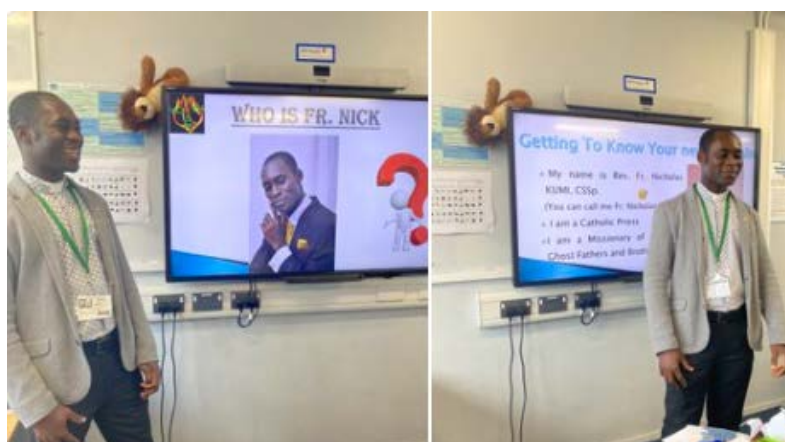
Within SJV we are reflecting on God's message from Pope Francis 'Jesus was sent to bring the Good News, to enter the heart of each one of us.' In SJV we celebrate the good news every day with our focus on prayers and reflection, at the end of day each class comes together to reflect on the day's highlights.

Within our Catholic school this week we promoted and supported Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) – the international day on 27 January to remember the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust, alongside the millions of other people killed under Nazi persecution of other groups and in genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. It is a challenge to look at this day, but that is part of our ethos and mission to look at what happens when things go unchallenged. The students responded well and its important to mark as a recent survey found that two thirds of millennials had not heard of the Holocaust.



Within our Catholic school this week Father Nick gave his first staff reflection and we were very inspired as a staff by his words. It was really touching to see how he had reflected on our work at SJV and how much he sees us as a family, how much love and support and reconciliation (when needed) he feels.

Father Nick also presented a very engaging presentation all about his life, his works and his family in RE this week. We learned a lot about his homeland of Ghana and have been inspired to do some further research and get a list of new questions for when he is next in class. We loved his 'smooth' picture where he could pass for the new James Bond!



A word from our Family Liaison Officer and Deputy Safeguarding Lead

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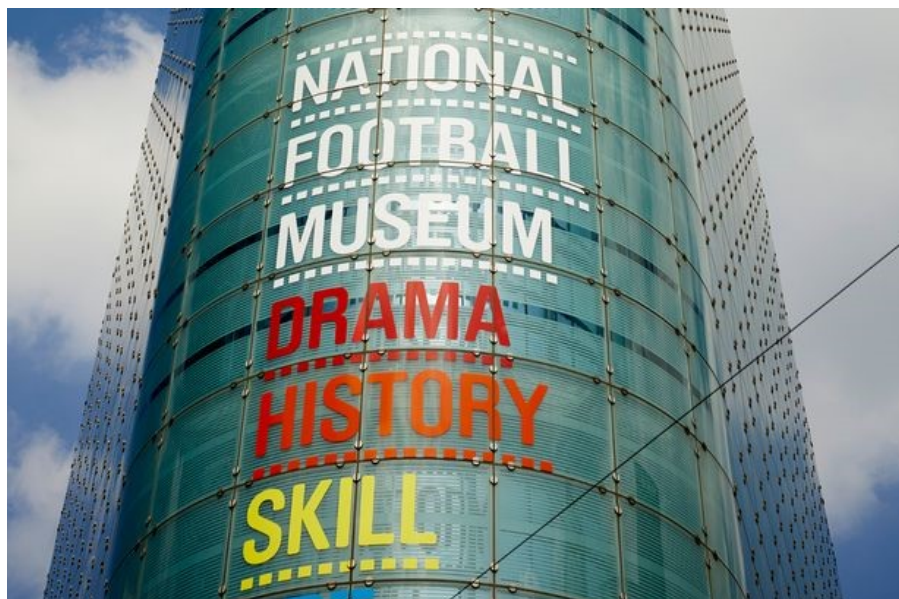
Open Doors At Manchester Art Gallery

[Open Doors](#) is a series of creative sessions at Manchester Art Gallery for autistic children and their families and carers. The next session is **Tuesday 22nd February**. Arrive any time between 10-11.30am, the session finishes at 12 noon. Book through [Eventbrite](#). Any questions, contact katymccall@manchester.gov.uk or ring the main desk **0161**

235 8888. Future dates: **Saturday 19th March and Tuesday 12th April.**



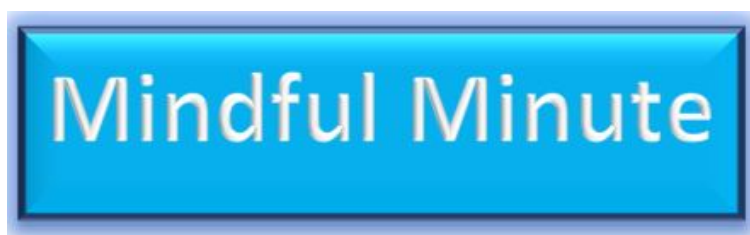
The National Football Museum



The National Football Museum have restarted their monthly Relaxed mornings – Pre-Season Friendly. The next one is on Sunday 20th February 9-10am.

This time is ideal for neuro divergent adults and children. Gallery sound levels are minimal, with ear defenders and a quiet room available. Admission is free and there is no need to book – visitors can stay in the Museum once it opens fully at 10am. See the museum's [What's On](#) for more information or email **denise.lambert@nationalfootballmuseum.com**.

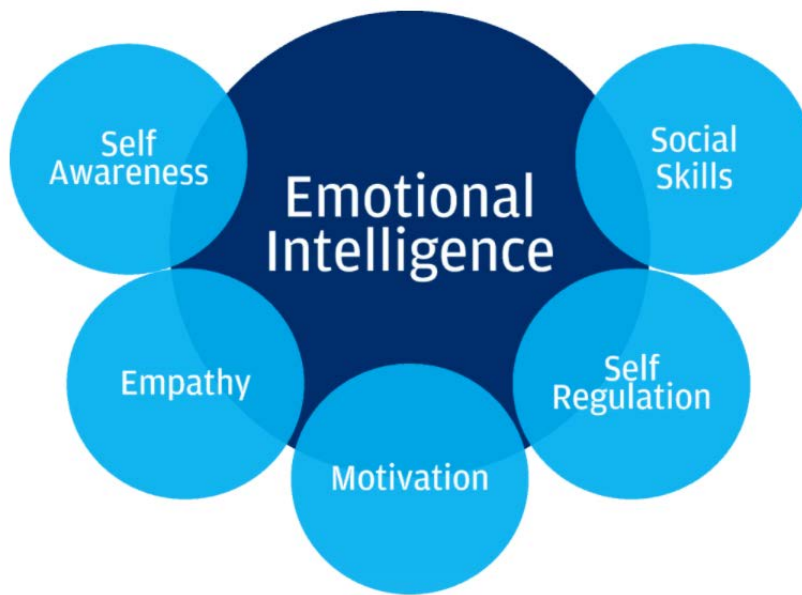
Mrs Julie Griffin



A few tips from our emotional and mental wellbeing team here at SJV.



This week we are going to focus on Motivation, the process that initiates, guides, and maintains goal-oriented behaviours. In everyday usage, the term "motivation" is frequently used to describe why a person does something. It is the driving force behind human actions the ability to understand and share the feelings of another. What are you motivated to do this week?





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- Meditation

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