



St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

“Seeking Growth Together”

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Governor Update

*Less than 1 in 10 people who have a cardiac arrest outside of hospital in the UK survives. With your help we can change that. Join the **Nation of Lifesavers** and learn CPR. (Source: British Heart Foundation.)*

I applied to the BHF for a Defibrillator and Call Push Rescue Kit for the Parish of St John Vianney and St Monica, and I am thrilled to say we have been successful. Once they have arrived, I will be arranging training sessions at SJV where you can learn:

- how and when to perform CPR on an adult or child;
- how to put someone in the recovery position;
- how to use a defibrillator.

We will be discussing this at the next Parent Group meeting and I will notify you about dates ASAP.

Cathy Butterworth

Chair of Governors



Yr 6 London Visit 2017

Our visit to London is always crammed full of exciting experiences. We have now confirmed bookings for the Harry Potter tour and a West End Show. The final instalment of £50 is due on the 13th April and we would really appreciate it if you would ensure the payment for this reaches us on time. Thanks.



Parent Group will meet on the last working Wednesday of each month, at alternate times of 09:00 / 14:30, in the staff room. The next meeting is on Wednesday 29th March at 09:00. We would love to see you there!

Yr 5 Visit to Hothersall Lodge

It is only one month until our Year 5 children will be visiting Hothersall Lodge. If you have not yet returned your medical form, please would you do so as soon as possible as we will be looking over these in the next few days. If we need further information we may get in touch with you so that we can ensure the best possible experience for your child.

The final instalment for this trip is due on **Friday 10th March**. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping the payment deadlines as we rely on this to make the necessary bookings. Thanks.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Olivia, Lara, Kieran, Josh, Stanley, Noah, Charlie and Jack on winning the cricket tournament at St Mary's last Wednesday by a massive number of runs. Well done to you all!



Choir performance & Lenten Service

Our joint Lenten service with Catholic schools across Blackpool takes place at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, 125 Common Edge Road, Blackpool, FY4 5DF on Tuesday 7th March at 6pm.

All are welcome to attend and support our school choir who will be performing.



Cashless Payments

For a while now we have asked that parents make any payments to school through Parentpay. Paying this way is convenient as you can make payments 24/7, combine accounts if you have children at other schools and keep track of your balance.

As our school's local bank branch is closing shortly, we will soon be unable to conveniently bank any cash received and so ask that all payments are made through Parentpay.

We understand that some of you have difficulty setting up your account but we are here to help. If you are struggling at all and would like any help setting up your account, or would like to be shown how to use the website, please speak to the office.





Staffing Update

We are looking forward to having Mrs Acton back with us on a phased return from Friday 3rd March. So far everything indicates that her treatment has been successful which is fantastic news. Mrs Dickinson will continue to support 3a and both teachers will be available to speak to you about your child's progress at Parents' evening on 22nd March.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers



This year we are taking part in the Sainsbury's Active Kids scheme. If you have any vouchers which you would like to donate these can be left at the school office or handed to your child's teacher. Thanks

Ready for New Life?

Easter Weekend Retreat

April 13th - 16th / Price £70 / Yr 9+

Contact the Youth Services team for more information

Young people serving, helping and loving life!



Up and coming events at Castlerigg

Our annual **Family Weekend** is on the 28th-30th April. There will be activities for all age groups, having fun and reflecting on our faith, and the opportunity to catch up with old friends and to meet new. Prices are £75 per adult and £50 per child (family discount is available). There is also our **Easter Retreat** on 13th - 16th April which is open to year 9 upwards. For more information visit <http://www.castleriggmanor.co.uk>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Whole school activities

Lenten service and choir performance — **Tuesday 7th March @6:00pm**

Scholastic Book Fair—**Wednesday 8th March**

Parents Evening —**Wednesday 22nd March**

Parent Group Forum —**Wednesday 29th March @9:30**

Non-uniform day—**Friday 31st March**

Stations of the cross visit—**Tuesday 11th March @ 9:45**

Washing of the feet—**Wednesday 12th March @10:45**

Stations of the cross visit—**Thursday 27th April @9:15**

Year group activities

3A Class assembly—**Friday 10th March @ 9:00 am and 9:30am**

3K Class assembly—**Friday 24th March @ 9:00am and 9:30am**

Year 5 Residential Visit to Hothersall Lodge—**Monday 3rd April—Wednesday 5th April**

2W Class assembly—**Friday 7th April @ 9:00am and 9:30am**

Year 4 Palm Monday Service—**Monday 10th April @ 2:00pm and 4:30pm**

1C Class assembly—**Friday 5th May**

1H Class assembly—**Friday 19th May**

Year 6 Residential Visit to London—**Monday 22nd—Wednesday 24th May**

School closes for Easter on Thursday 13th April at normal time and returns on Monday 24th April.