

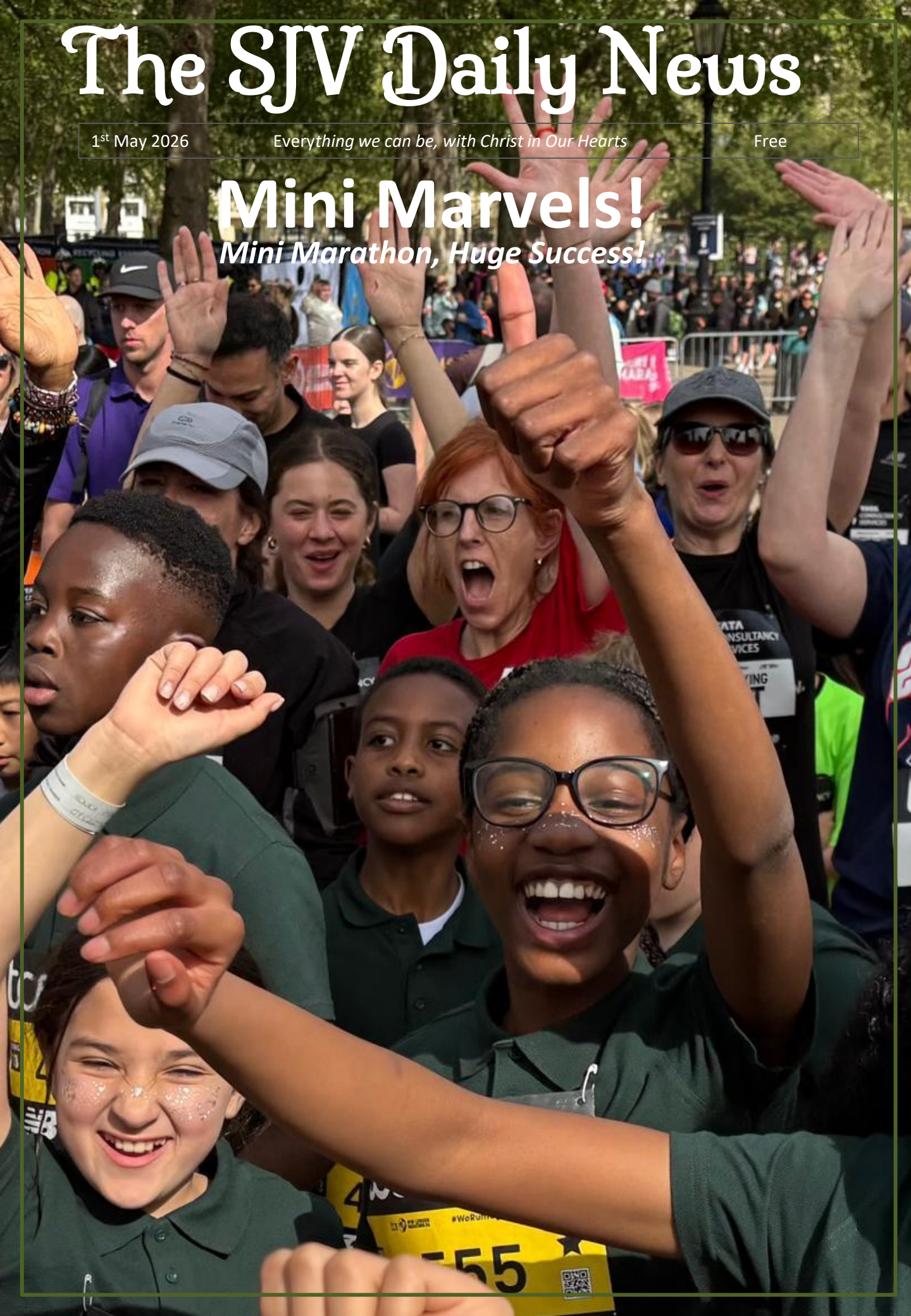
# The SJV Daily News

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## Mini Marvels! *Mini Marathon, Huge Success!*





# St John Vianney Catholic School

## School Newsletter

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## SJV at its Very Best!

Last weekend, the combined ranks of SJV took part in one of the landmark London (and world) events. On a glorious spring (is it summer yet?) Saturday morning, boys, girls, mums, dads, friend and staff joined together under General Kavanagh and smashed the TCS London Mini Marathon. This brilliant event foreshadows the London Marathon, which took place the next day, was enjoyed by thousands of school children from across the country.

Our runners all did incredibly well and were able to get a small taste of what it would be like to cruise past that famous finish line, set in the shadow of Buckingham Palace. Incredible. Thanks to the mums and dads for supporting this and to the teachers who gave up their Saturday morning – when SJV-World spills out into the real world, it is a thing of beauty and warms the heart. What a family!

Have a lovely weekend!

*Mr. McNicholas*

# Notices & Reminders

We are a NUT FREE Zone – we have children and adults with NUT allergies. Please be mindful with your child's packed lunch and after school snacks.

**Key Dates for your diary - Please keep this information for reference:**

- **School Closed on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Public Bank Holiday**
- **Y6 Maths Booster Class** – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 3.45-4.45pm (last booster session)
- **School Closed on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May - our school is used as a polling station**
- **Crowning of Mary Assembly** - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May – all welcome
- **Y6 SATs week** - week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> May
- **Miraculous Medal Assembly** – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May – All welcome
- **Walk to School Week** - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- **Y6 visit to Ben Kinsella workshop** - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May
- **Y4 visit to Young V&A Museum** - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May
- **Y1 visit to the London Transport Museum** - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May
- **Y5 swimming** – last session for this year - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May
- **Y6 Hercules Theatre Royal, Drury Lane visit** - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May
- **Reception Class Assembly** - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- **Half term break** – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May
- **Inset Day - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**
- **School reopens to pupils on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**
- **Y6 visit to The National Army Museum** - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June
- **Y6 Swimming lessons start** - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June
- **Year 1 and Year 2 Sports morning** - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June
- **Years 3,4,5 and 6 Sports morning** - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- **Year 1 visit to Wigmore Hall** - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- **Nursery and Reception Class sports mornings** - date to be confirmed
- **Y5 visit to The British Library** - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June
- **Height and Weight checks for Reception Class and Class 6** - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June
- **Aspirations Day** - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June
- **Autism Acceptance Week** - commencing Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June
- **Y5 visit to The Maritime Museum** - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June
- **Y6 visit to Scout Park for Junior Citizens** - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June
- **FOSJV Summer Fair: Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Save the date – details to follow**
- **Y2 visit to Hyde Park** - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July
- **Y3 visit to the Science Museum** - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July
- **Last week of all after school clubs and before school interventions** – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July –Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July
- **Y6 End of Year Show** - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July - more details to follow
- **Y6 'Best Dorm at Pendarren' Winners Prize trip** – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July
- **Y2 and Y6 Buddy trip to Downhills Park** – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July
- **School Choir** – visit to Wigmore Hall - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July
- **Y6 Leavers' Mass** – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July - time tbc
- **End of Year & Holy Communion celebration Mass** – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July - time tbc
- **Y6 Leavers' Assembly** - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - all welcome
- Last day of academic year - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - **school finishes at 1.15pm**. There will be no afternoon Nursery session on this date. There will be no after school club at West Green primary on this date

## **Reminder for Parents and Carers**

- **Sunhats, sunscreen, water bottles** – a reminder that the children should have sunscreen applied before school, have a NAMED sunhat with them every day and a water bottle please
- *For safeguarding reasons, parents and carers must not use the children's playground toilets during drop-off and collection times. Adult toilets are available near the school office. Please walk around to the office if you need to use these facilities. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation,*

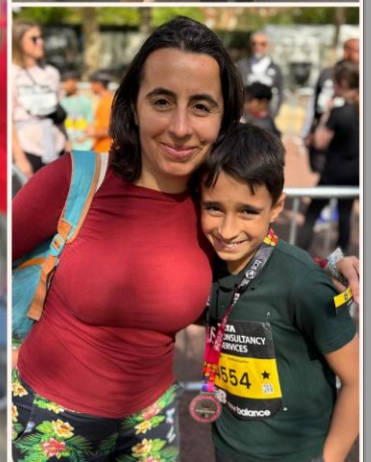
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### Reception:

This week, I have chosen two writing stars!

It feels as though something has clicked for V - he is beginning to hear the sounds within words and has been working incredibly hard on his letter formation. This week, he wrote his very first sentence independently and even remembered to use a full stop at the end. Well done, V!

E truly impressed me this week with her retelling of The Ugly Duckling. She incorporated language from the story, such as "a big webbed foot popped out," and accompanied her writing with some beautiful illustrations. E always puts in great effort, but this particular piece was especially outstanding. Well done to our wonderful storyteller!

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## Class 1:

I would like my first star of the week to go to **M**. You listen very well to instructions and to what the adults tell you so that you can do your best in your learning M. You are so helpful around your classroom offering to help others and offering to help me with any job which you like to do and do with a big smile on your face! It is lovely to hear and see you become much more confident in your learning abilities whether that is you doing independent writing, answering questions and putting up your hand to share your ideas and reading. It is lovely seeing you blossom in your learning well done and keep going!

A well done for your hard work this week in particular in R.E **A**. You listened carefully to our bible story and were able to re-count some key points of the story in as much detail about the story 'The Road to Emmaus. I really like the way you wrote about how the friends must have felt when they recognised it was 'Jesus' and what this story means. You have been really try hard to focus to produce the best work that you can. Your hard work is really paying off! Good job **A**

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## Class 2:

This week, the star goes to E. We have noticed how well you have been playing with other children at break times and how you look out for those who might need a friend. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have really stood out, and it has been lovely to see. Well done, E, keep it up!

Our second star is for T. We have been so pleased to see the effort you are making at playtime to look out for new friends to play with. It's wonderful to see you pushing yourself to build new friendships and include others. Well done, T, keep up the great work!

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## Class 3:

**P** I have seen a great improvement in her attitude for learning. She is motivated, keen to answer questions and gets on with the task set quickly and quietly. Keep up the good work.

**M** When covering for Ms Bury, I can always rely on her to tell me where things are kept, class rules and organisation. She is like a mini-teacher. Thank you Margaret, you have been a great help this week.

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## Class 4:

Our first star goes to F, who has been making a real push both in class and at home. He is trying hard to improve his handwriting, putting his hand up more, and staying much more focused in lessons. He is also showing great commitment to his homework. It's clear that F is really trying to better himself in every way, and that effort is starting to shine through. Well done, F, keep it up!

Our second star is for a J who is one of the politest boys we have ever met. He is gracious and respectful to both adults and his peers. He is the kind of person who notices when something needs doing and quietly helps, never expecting any reward. His good nature and impeccable manners will take him far in life. It is such a pleasure to have you in our class - your kindness does not go unnoticed!

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## Class 5:

Both our stars this week are maths stars but really we should call them learning stars who showed their fantastic attitudes most during maths. It is such a pleasure to give our first star to someone who has always been a little shy in asking for help and will naturally sit back and try her best to figure things out for herself. This week she stepped up and recognised that getting help in order to do your best is exactly the right thing to do. As a result she gave up a whole lunch time and a break time to crack a tricky maths method and she absolutely nailed it. Congratulations and well done to P.

Our second star is someone I wish I could frame and show off as a model for the whole school. She listens carefully and follows every instruction to lay out her work with neatness and precision. She labels and annotates clearly and most importantly, she calmly reflects on what a question is asking and what information she has on the page. Through her own learning attitude she has become one of the best mathematicians in the class. Well done to G.

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### **Class 6:**

Three stars this week for children who have shown selflessness, kindness, and great manners to others this week. From holding doors for others, to saying “Good morning!”, to remembering their please and thank you’s, these children have been great role models this week. Well done to R, R and M!





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