

The SJV Daily News

6th Feb 2026

Everything we can be, with Christ in Our Hearts

Free

Leavers' Dress Rehearsal?

'End Of Year' Vibes Abound at Y6 Assembly



Year 6 taught us all the importance of recognising and supporting our own mental health today, as we look forward to Children's Mental Health Week next week.

AND...it ended with a beautiful song! AND it was their last Y6 assembly!

It was so polished, that some of the mums thought it was the end of year show and got the hankies out! They may have peaked a bit early – Y6 is a marathon not a sprint! Pull yourselves together! You've got this...



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Together

Again, this week's Gospel linked in perfectly with the message coming from our class assembly. In the Gospel, Jesus calls us the 'salt of the earth', spreading goodness and making the world a better place. Year 6's message was the same – small acts of goodness can make the world of difference. If we are feeling anxious or stressed, when someone recognises and takes the time to help, it really is like living the Gospel out.

We have plenty of 'salt' in our classes at SJV to make even the dullest of weeks seem like a gastronomic adventure.
Have a lovely weekend everyone!

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:

- **Parent Teacher Consultations week** - week commencing 9th February
- Class 4 Parent Teacher meetings will be held after half term.
- **Year 6 Booster classes** are cancelled for this week only due to parent teacher meetings taking place
- **Friday 13th February** – school finishes at the normal time of 3.30pm for the school half term holiday
- School reopens to pupils on **Monday 23rd February**
- **All morning interventions, and after school clubs restart on Monday 23rd Feb.**

Teachers2parents app:

- We are a cashless school so we do not take cash for trips, payments for breakfast club, school fund, etc. We use School Money (part of Eduspot) to pay for these. The easier and quickest way of paying is to download the Parents2teachers app. Copy and paste the link below for more details, enter your mobile phone number when asked to do so.
- [**https://teachers2parents.co.uk/services/parent-app**](https://teachers2parents.co.uk/services/parent-app)

Parent Teacher Meetings:

These will take place week commencing 9th February (Monday to Thursday). Entrance for meetings on Monday before 3.30pm will be via the playground. Please wait outside the classroom and the teacher will invite you in to class. Nursery appointments – please wait outside the Nursery gate and the Nursery staff will come out at your allotted time.

For meetings after school on all other days please use the school office entrance. The after school clubs will be in progress so the hall will be in use. If you need to bring your child with you for any reason please make sure they stay with you, have a book to read or some homework to do as they will not be supervised by staff.

After School Clubs:

Please be prompt in collecting your child after the after school clubs. ALL clubs finish at **4.30pm** with the exception of the Year 6 Maths Booster Class which finishes at **4.45pm**.

Absence from school:

If your child is absent, for any reason you **MUST** call the school office (0208 889 8421) and leave a message on the absence line (option 1) **EVERY DAY** when your child is absent. When your child returns to school please hand in an absence note to the Class Teacher explaining why your child was absent.

After School Fashion club – reduce, reuse, recycle:

We have a new after school sustainable 'fashion' club – if you have any reels of thread, embroidery threads, buttons, fabric swatches, balls of wool, etc that you no longer need please feel free to donate them to the school office for use at the club. Thank you.

SJV Nursery



SJV Nursery 2025/2026 – 15 hours / 30 hours entitlement

- Places are available for this spring term if your child has turned **3 years by 31 December 2025**.
- If your child is due to turn **3 this spring term, up to 31 March 2026**, we have an intake in the summer term 2026, subject to availability. Applications forms will be available after the February 2026 half term holiday for this intake.
- We also have an intake in the summer term for children turning **3 by 31 March 2026**, in the spring term, subject to availability. Applications forms will be available in February 2026 for this intake.

Please call into the school office to collect an application form or to speak to Mrs Alfonso if you have any questions.



Y5 Football Vs St. Mary's



Y5 challenged Mr. Lane's new class at St. Mary's Priory last week (for a change!). A great game was had, but...no one could tell me what the score was! I think they won – but, as ever, football was the real winner!

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Reception:

This week I would like to choose E as star of the week for being an absolute superstar! All week, she has been sitting beautifully on the carpet and lining up quietly, being a great example for her friends. Not only that, but she showed such kindness to a friend who was very upset. E brought over the 'Feeling stones' and gave them to her friend. She started to comfort her friend, speaking in Spanish, knowing that this may help her. Thank you for being such a kind friend E!

I would also like to choose E for his hard-work and effort in Phonics. Both Mrs Yerrill and I agree that he has been trying really hard, especially with the way he writes his sounds so carefully. Also, yesterday in RE we were thinking what food we would make in a soup kitchen to feed those who are hungry, like when Jesus fed 5000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. E thought of and wrote down lots of food, using his 'Fred fingers' to sound out. Well done E!

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Class 1:

I would like the first star of the week to go to A. You are always so focused on your learning tasks and I can see that you are becoming a great independent learner. You are not afraid to take risks and I can see how much you enjoy your learning too. For our new science topic we have been looking at 'Sensitive bodies' and this week you used your sense of touch, hearing and taste to guess what you were tasting which you guessed right was popcorn! You then put your 'scientific hat' on and were able to complete your learning worksheet independently, really thinking about what body part you would need and use to do the following things. A 'mini scientist' in the making fantastic work:).

Well done to N for really persevering and trying hard with everything you do! Even though you may find some learning tasks tricky you always give things a go and never give up! The staff that work with you always comment on what a polite hardworking girl you are and I can see that you always want to do your best and give all of your learning 100% effort. You are the true spirit of what class one is about. Trying our best, never giving up and enjoying your learning. Great work from you this week, well done!

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Class 2:

This week the star is going to M.R. You are always calm, quiet and well behaved in class, getting on sensibly with what you need to do. This week, I have noticed you joining in much more during lessons and having a go at answering questions. Even when you're not sure, you keep trying and don't give up, which is fantastic to see. Keep working hard!

The next star is for M. You have made a real effort this week to stay focused and make positive choices in class. I have been especially pleased to see you trying hard not only to stay on green on the class chart, but also aiming to move up to silver and gold. Well done for your improved focus and effort this week — keep it up!

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Class 3:

S – He has been trying really hard in maths this week, especially when learning about fractions. He worked hard to understand how to find and write fractions of shapes and how to spot equivalent fractions too. It's fantastic to see his confidence in maths growing. Keep up the brilliant work!

J - He has worked really hard in writing this week and produced some fantastic work. His recount about our trip to the British Museum was detailed and engaging, and he made a brilliant start to his tomb adventure story too. He has put lots of effort into making his sentences interesting and he has enjoyed using exciting new vocabulary. Well done!

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Class 4:

My first star goes to D. She is someone who gets on with her work quietly and diligently. She is always on task and listen attentively. In small group activities she is supportive of others, and generous in sharing her ideas and suggestions with her peers. Her positive attitude towards her learning will lead to great things in the future!

My second star goes to G. I have seen a marked improvement in his attitude toward learning over the past week. He is making valuable contributions to discussions. He asks about anything he does not understand. He listens to the advice of adults and adapts his work accordingly. It has been a pleasure to see him grow in maturity and confidence.

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Class 5:

Our first star this week is for a new addition to our class room and it is in recognition of the huge effort he is making to adapt to his new surroundings. This young lad has come to us with no English whatsoever but is standing out for the amount of energy he is expending in ensuring that he is always watching and listening and doing the right thing. It is challenging in itself to keep listening and keep looking in upper key stage 2, no matter how tired you are, but to keep doing it when you are already on the back foot is an admirable achievement. Well done to A.

Our second star is for a young lady who is going above and beyond in her learning. She has really excelled in her maths this week, showing a focus and determination that is allowing her to make excellent progress. She happily sought and tackled some extra work and wasn't in the least put off by how tricky it was. Well done and thank you C for your hard work.

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Class 6:

How could I not give the star of the week to the whole class? They did such a professional job learning their lines, learning their song and their actions. In our lessons, they have approached each and every lesson with maturity, respect and genuine thoughtfulness. Very well done to you all!

Celebrate!



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A circuit is a complete loop that electricity travels around.





