

Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle



R.E. Update

November 2022

Our Mission
Statement

Through following
Jesus, we aim to
be a caring, happy
school,
where everyone is
valued and
appreciated
and can reach their
true potential.

We hope to: act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with our God.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy start to the term we have had! You will see from our last update (in September) all of the work the children have been completing in Religious Education this term. We really are very proud of all of our pupil's hard work and efforts in all areas of R F.

Our Mini Vinnies have been working hard on various projects this term and they have played a key role in organizing the donations for the West End Food Bank and CAFOD. Both Father Martin and the team from the Food Bank were extremely grateful for all of your generous donations. Thank you to you all. This term, we are also fundraising for *Children In Need*. Our Year 6 pupils are currently studying for their *Faith*

In Action award. As part of this, Year 6 have organized the day and we know it will be a fantastic fundraising event.

Every Friday, starting from Friday 18th November, we will be selling Fairtrade products at the school gate as we support those less fortunate than ourselves. There will be a range of Fairtrade food products on offer and your support is, as always, very much appreciated.

As always, our children have been involved in a range of whole-school, phasal and class liturgies this term and they have planned and led their own liturgies within their classes. The prayer life of our school really is at the heart of everything that we do here at St. John Vianney.

This term, there has been a number of lunchtime clubs running on a weekly basis. Mrs Meldrum has organized a Liturgical Dance club for Year 3 and a Liturgical Music club for Year 4 and Mrs Black has organized a Rosary Club for pupils in Years 5 and 6. Mr Schofield is also running a school choir. All of these clubs have been yery well-attended.

Mr Bonnar and Mr Peacock are beginning Sacramental Preparation with pupils in Year 4 who will be making their First Holy Communion next May. We continue to keep all of our children in our prayers.

We look forward to welcoming you all into school for our Advent/ Christmas Liturgies in December.

With our very best wishes,

Mrs Thorpe and Mrs Meldrum

What have we been up to in R.E. this term?





In October, our **Mini Vinnies** organised and collected the food for CAFOD and the West End Food Bank.

Our children attend Wednesday morning Mass at St. John Vianney church



Every Wednesday morning, different year groups have attended Wednesday morning Mass with Father Martin and the wider community at St. John Vianney church. Father Martin has also been a regular visitor in school, working with our Year 6 pupils on their R.E. topic.

Welcome Mass in September



Father Martin welcomed all of our children back to school during a lovely Mass at the start of term.

The Travelling Crib

This Advent, we will launch, once again, a special project called *The Travelling Crib* as

Mary and Joseph begin their Advent journey around St John Vianney Primary School. We look forward to many of our school families providing Mary and Joseph



with a home for the night during Advent.