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Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back from the half term holidays – the children have been giving very excited and happy accounts of all the wonderful adventures they got up to over the week's holiday. It certainly sounds like most people were able to make the very most of the long Jubilee Weekend.

Uniform

We have collected a large amount of new and excellent second-hand uniform which has barely been worn by children during the pandemic, families have very kindly donated it to school. If you would like anything in particular please send an email in via office@stjohnvianneynewcastle.org or a written note for the attention of Mrs Meldrum and she will sort out a bag of uniform to be sent home. We really want to give away everything we have been very generously been donated. Please do not be shy, just ask!

On the note of uniform, I am very happy that the sun has finally started to shine and children are able to wear lighter summer uniforms as they wish, however trainers especially white and brightly coloured ones are not part of our uniform policy. Please remember that black school shoes should be worn at all times. If you are facing financial hardship or difficulty please do not hesitate to ask as the SVP group from church are always extremely generous in their support of our families, particularly those in need.

Long hair on boys and girls should always be tied up in a black, blue or red bobble. The children run around outside during PE lessons and at play time and they do not want to get it caught, also in lessons it needs to be securely tied up.

INSET Day

Please remember that school is closed on Friday 17th June.

Holiday Dates

I have had several queries about holiday dates for next year, as families are rightly trying to book much longed for and needed breaks post pandemic. I have put an updated set of holiday lists for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 on the school website. I appreciate so many of you trying to book holidays which do not mean your children will miss school time – thank you for your efforts.

https://www.stjohnvianney.newcastle.sch.uk/web/term_dates/246365

Whole School Sports Day arrangements

We are planning to bring back sports day, to which parents can come and watch. We are starting small – so please be patient with us! It will all be weather dependent and if it is pouring with rain then it will be cancelled that day, pupils will then do sports day but on a different day which can be slotted in as and when. Your planned child's class slot will be as follows:



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Class	Date and Time
Rainbows Nursery	Wednesday 29 th June 10:00am
Sunshine Nursery	Wednesday 29 th June 1:30pm
Both Reception classes combined	Tuesday 28 th June 1:30pm
Year 1 & Year 2 combined	Monday 27 th June 10:00am
Year 3 & Year 4 combined	Monday 27 th June 1:30pm
Year 5 & Year 6 combined	Tuesday 28 th June 10:00am

Open Door Policy

As always please do not hesitate to contact school if you need anything, staff are all here to help in any way possible.

Best wishes,

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