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READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE

2nd June 2025

Dear Parent and Carers,

It was wonderful to welcome all the children back after the half term holiday. As some of you will have seen this morning, we have had some more building work completed over the holidays and we are thrilled with the larger playground space it is going to give our children, moving forward.

Morning Drop off arrangements

Year Group	Drop off	Time
Nursery	Children walked down the right-hand side path and handed over to staff through the white fire door entrance	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am Wednesday drop off at 12:45pm staff will meet parents at the main gate and let them in
Reception	Children walked to the ramp beside the main entrance and handed over to staff	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)
Year One	Children walked to the wooden steps outside the classroom and handed over to staff	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)
Year Two	Children can walk in on their own from the pavement entrance. If parents want to walk down with their children, then they can drop them off at the new green gates, beside the old nursery building	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)



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Year Three	Children can walk in on their own from the pavement entrance. If parents want to walk down with their children, then they can drop them off at the new green gates, beside the old nursery building	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)
Year Four	Children can walk in on their own from the pavement entrance. If parents want to walk down with their children, then they can drop them off at the new green gates, beside the old nursery building	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)
Year Five	Children can walk in on their own from the pavement entrance. If parents want to walk down with their children, then they can drop them off at the new green gates, beside the old nursery building	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)
Year Six	Children can walk in on their own from the pavement entrance. If parents want to walk down with their children, then they can drop them off at the new green gates, beside the old nursery building	Main gates open at 8:30am School starts at 8:45am (After that pupils are marked as late)

After school dismissal arrangements

Year Group	Collection point	Time
Nursery	Children walked down the right-hand side path and handed over to staff through the white fire door entrance	3pm collection Wednesday morning collection 11:05am staff will meet parents at the main gate and bring the children out to the gate
Reception	Collect children as normal from inside the yard	Main gates open at 3:00pm
Year One	Collect children from wooden stairs outside classroom	Main gates open at 3:00pm
Year Two	The class teacher will line the children up and walk them in a line to the green gates and dismiss them from there as normal	3:15pm
Year Three	The class teacher will line the children up and walk them in a line to the green gates and dismiss them from there as normal	3:15pm
Year Four	The class teacher will line the children up and walk them in a line to the green gates and dismiss them from there as normal	3:20pm

Year Five	The class teacher will line the children up and walk them in a line to the green gates and dismiss them from there as normal	3:20pm
Year Six	The class teacher will line the children up and walk them in a line to the green gates and dismiss them from there as normal	3:25pm

Once you have collected your child you are asked to move away from the main green gates to create a bottle neck of people. We appreciate that this is a narrower space than we had previously, however the benefit to the children during the day in terms of a much larger outside space, is significant. Please be patient as staff dismiss children, you are welcome to stand under the old nursery veranda, if the weather is not great. There is a large space in the old yard for parents to stand and wait for their children to be dismissed.

Sports Days

Over the coming weeks we will let you know about the dates for the sports days; we are still waiting for the grounds maintenance crews to come and carry out some work on the field before we can confirm the timings.

KS2 Residentials

We are delighted to confirm that all three residentials will be able to go ahead, so I would appreciate it if all parents could make sure they are up to date with their monthly payment schedules. Mr Exley and Miss Dolphin will be in contact over the next week with more details for you. However, this is an exciting new endeavour for St John Vianney, to take 180 children away on various residentials and we are hoping that if all goes well, it is something that we can keep running each year!

Year 6 SATS

The Year 6 pupils were amazing, and we were all incredibly proud of them last term. They demonstrated resilience and a fierce spirit of group support and collaboration as they supported each other through their first experience of public examinations.

Year 6 Production

Mr Exley and Mrs Black will send details out nearer the time of the Year 6 production of Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies.

We look forward to an exciting and action-packed last half term. As always please contact school if you need to know anything further and we will always try to help you.

Best wishes,

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