

**Meet the Teacher - Class 4CC** 



A welcome message from Miss Collins-Campbell My name is Miss Collins-Campbell, and I am genuinely excited about the journey we're about to embark upon together. This will be my second year teaching at St. John Vianney, and I am committed to fostering an environment in our classroom that rests upon strong foundations of respect, curiosity, and a genuine love for learning. In Year 4, we recognise the significance of building fundamental skills that lay the groundwork for a successful academic journey. Reading fluency remains a cornerstone in Year 4, and I kindly request your support in providing regular reading opportunities at home. A strong foundation in reading not only enhances comprehension but also paves the way for success across the wider curriculum. Additionally, multiplication will be a focal point this year. Proficiency in times tables is vital, as it equips children with the number fluency necessary to succeed in Mathematics beyond this year and throughout their education. Year 4 promises a wealth of wonderful opportunities and experiences, and I am enthusiastic about guiding your child through these enriching moments. With your support and our collaborative efforts, I am confident that we will make this year an exceptional one for your child's personal growth and academic progress.

Year 4 is set to be an incredible journey filled with learning and memorable experiences both in and out of the classroom!

At St John Vianney we believe everything we do is for the greater glory of God and through Jesus we seek to grow as a caring Catholic community in faith and love; knowledge and understanding; aspiration and independence.

# **The Year 4 Team and Learning Environment**



Our Senior Leaders: Mrs C. Evans (Headteacher) Mr P. Duffy (Deputy Headteacher) Mrs K. Arrowsmith (Assistant Headteacher and SENDCO) Team Leader: Mrs N. Bancroft (Year 3 and 4 Team Leader) The Year 4 Team:

Miss L. Collins-Campbell (Class 4CC Class Teacher) Mrs J. Connor (Class 4CC's Teaching Assistant)

Mrs N. Bancroft (Class 4B Class Teacher and English Lead) Miss A. Manning (Class 4B's Teaching Assistant) Mrs D. Blyth (HTLA Cover Class 4B) Mr C. Hitchon (HLTA Cover in both Year 4 classes) If at any time during the school year you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact school to arrange a convenient time to meet with your child's class teacher. We want to work together to create a strong home and school partnership to ensure that we meet all the needs of your child.







## The Year 4 Curriculum



Year 4 holds a pivotal role in a child's educational journey. It's a year where foundational skills are honed and confidence soars. Reading forms the cornerstone of success across various subjects in the curriculum, as it provides the fundamental skills needed for effective learning. By developing accuracy and fluency in reading, children build a strong foundation that supports their overall academic growth. To foster this essential skill, it's important for children to engage in regular reading both at home and at school. The ability to read fluently opens the doors to a world of knowledge and imagination, enhancing comprehension across subjects and develop vocabulary acquisition. Likewise, mastering all times tables lays the groundwork for strong mathematical proficiency, enabling quick problem-solving and building a solid foundation for more complex concepts. Year 4 sets the stage for academic success and a lifelong love for learning in Maths, making it an essential and transformative year for every child. During the summer term of Year 4, students participate in a formal test to assess their multiplication skills. This test is known as the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC), and it's designed to help children in English primary schools improve their multiplication abilities. This test aims to support and enhance children's' understanding of multiplication, and

throughout Year 4, we will place a special emphasis on developing their multiplication skills, which will play a crucial role in helping them gain confidence and fluency in mathematics.

In Year 4, the children are in for an exciting array of educational adventures, including a whole-school outing to the Pantomime! Additionally, they will explore historical significance during a visit to Quarry Bank Mill and engage in an additional learning experience through a locally-focused trip, enriching their understanding of their local area. As in previous Years, the children will also be given the opportunity to experience outdoor learning activities, including a visit to the High Ropes course and water sports at Stanley Park.





Our curriculum continues to place significant importance on Religious Education (RE), ensuring its central role in shaping children's learning experiences. In Year 4, children will focus on enhancing their abilities to describe, provide reasoning, and establish connections with greater precision, particularly when exploring and drawing insights from the teachings of the Bible and our faith. At St John Vianney, we believe in the transformative power of a Catholic education. Our mission is to nurture the complete potential of every young individual, guiding them to lead lives that are forever influenced by the Spirit and the presence of Christ by 'Seeking Growth Together through Jesus'. Rooted in Gospel values and the teachings of the Catholic Church, our educational approach centres on the holistic development of each child. As a result, we prioritise the development of each child, valuing their personal journey of faith, compassion, and service to others as much as the academic excellence we provide. Through this comprehensive approach, we aim to nurture children who not only excel academically but also carry the light of Christ into their lifelong endeavours, making a positive impact in the world around them. Bringing our children together as year groups to attend Mass creates a powerful sense of unity and community within our school. These shared spiritual experiences allow our children to witness the beauty of worship and faith in a collective setting. Additionally, celebrating feast days as a school further deepens our connection to our Catholic heritage, providing meaningful opportunities for reflection, gratitude, and devotion to the teachings of the Church. On special feast days and occasions, we extend an open invitation to all our families, warmly welcoming you to join us in these celebrations. Throughout the term, Children's Liturgy takes place during the 11.15am Mass at St John Vianney, led by our school teachers. This allows children and their families to participate in Mass while the children engage with the Gospel on a level suitable for them in the Chapel. Fr Loughran welcomes families to Mass and then invites the children to join the liturgy and they are supervised and then return to Mass before the celebration for the Eucharist. Your presence with us would be greatly appreciated and welcomed.

### **Additional Information**



#### PE Days and Swimming

Children in Year 4 are required to wear their full SJV PE kits each Monday and Thursday. On these days, it is mandatory for all children to be dressed in their complete SJV PE kit, comprising the PE sports jacket and the green SJV t-shirt. Additionally, they may wear plain black jogging bottoms or shorts, along with white or black trainers as part of their PE attire. Each Thursday, the children will be participating in swimming lessons, and detailed information regarding this has been communicated through the school app but we ask that for ease the children come to school in PE kits (as above) and their swimming kit in a small bag.

#### • X - formally known as Twitter

We use X as an online platform to share the children's learning experiences with parents and families, this allows us to share insights into learning inside the classroom on a daily basis! It's simple to join X and follow **#Year4**; we welcome positive comments and feedback on this platform. Furthermore, our school website's curriculum pages also display these tweets, providing an additional avenue for

engagement. Our school website: <u>St John Vianney Catholic Primary School | English Hubs (stjohnvianneys.co.uk)</u>

#### Newsletters

Expect to receive regular newsletters containing updates on school-wide news, awards, and important dates such as class assemblies and whole school, year group or class events. Additionally, our school app will remain a reliable channel for efficiently communicating essential information to you.





