

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

25th September 2015

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

Thank you very much to all the parents who returned their questionnaires this week. As a school we are always looking to improve and your suggestions and feedback help to make this possible. In this week's newsletter, you will see a summary of the feedback. If you would still like to submit your questionnaires, then please ensure that they are given to your child's classteacher.

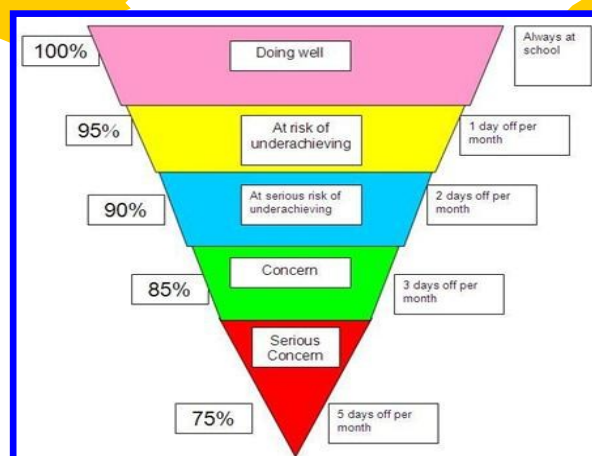
Have a lovely weekend

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ATTENDANCE

Below is a pictorial reminder to parents on how important it is for children to attend school everyday. We would like to thank you for your continued support in this area.

School attendance for this week was **96.3%**. A special well done to Class 11 who had the highest attendance with **99.6%**. **WELL DONE!**



STAR OF THE WEEK



Reception

Imogen Burges-Mason

Lily Richards

Y1

Dylan Watts

Samuel James

Kornelia Marszalek Violet Johnson

Y2

Oliver Brown

Max Barnett

Y3

Jesse Tuckett

Matthew George

Y4

Ocean Scanlan

Vivash Pitroda

Evan Herdman

Y5/6

Kseniya Sullivan

Bethan Eveleigh

Gina Robinson

Kierra Clarke

Morgan Elston

Jodie Williams

Y3/4 —Trip to St.Fagans

The children had a great time learning about the way roundhouses were made, how the Celts smelted ore to make weapons and jewellery, ground wheat to make flour, embossed copper for jewellery, and even trained in the art of 'spear' throwing to be warriors!



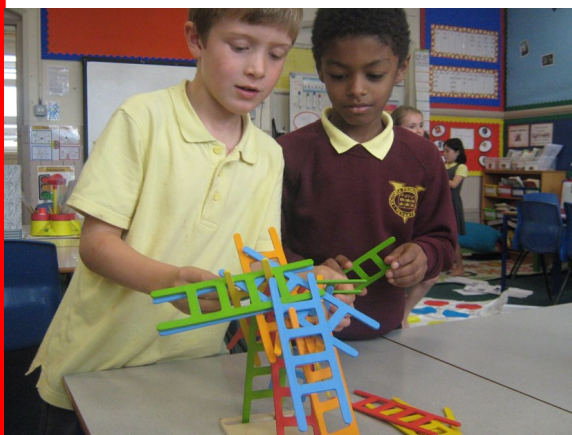
A Summary of the Parent Questionnaire

We were very pleased to receive such an overwhelming response to the parent questionnaire. 100% of parents would recommend the school and 136, out of 137, children represented enjoy school. We received many wonderful comments and some very constructive points for us to look at improving. The most common points raised were:

- **Reopening the back gate**
We have contacted the Masonic hall and will be discussing the possibility at the next Governor meeting—Tuesday 29th September
- **More consistent homework across the school**
A staff meeting has been planned in order to look at the current homework procedures and how they can be improved.
- **Improved communication**
After half term we will be sending out all letters, newsletters etc. via email unless a hard copy is requested. This should ensure that all parents/ carers receive letters associated with their child's class.

Clubs

The children are really enjoying their after school clubs, with many exciting activities taking place. Mr. Husband has been really challenging the members of the thinking/board games club!





Our Canadian Visitors

On Monday, the children in Y5/6 were hosts to Mr. and Mrs Davis from Vancouver, Canada. The children really enjoyed hearing how Mr. Davis had attended Victoria Primary School in 1944 and how his education differed from the one they receive today; they were particularly amazed to hear how the boys and girls were segregated! Mr. Davis presented the children with a book and promised to keep in touch with us here at Victoria.





Calendar 2015/2016

Autumn Term

Y1/2 trip to Techniquet	Tuesday 29th September
School Photographer in	Tuesday 6th October
Y3/4 trip to Caerleon	Friday 16th October
PTA Quiz Night	Friday 16th October
Parent Consultation Meetings	Monday 19th and Thursday 22nd October
Harvest Assembly (please donate dried food items)	Thursday 22nd October
Half Term	Monday 26 th October to Friday 30th Oct
Staff Training Day (School closed to all pupils)	Monday 2nd November
Christmas Fayre	Wednesday 25th November
Breakfast with Santa	Saturday 5th December
Last Day of Term	Friday 18 th December

Spring Term

First Day of Term	Monday 4 th January
Half Term	Monday 15 th to Friday 19 th February
Staff Training Day (School closed to all pupils)	Monday 22nd February
Last Day of Term	Thursday 24 th March

Summer Term

First Day of Term	Monday 11 th April
Staff Training Day (School closed to all pupils)	Monday 25 th April
Half Term	Monday 30 th May to Friday 3rd June
Summer Fayre	Saturday 2nd July
Last Day of Term	Wednesday 20 th July

PTA Committee

The PTA will be holding their first cake sale of the school year on Friday 2nd October at the end of the school day. We would appreciate it if as many children as possible in classes 15 and 16 could bring in cake donations. This is a very popular (and tasty) fundraiser and we would welcome your support in making this another successful PTA event. It will be the turn of classes 13 and 14 on **Friday 23rd October**. Please support us in raising funds for the children.



Class Representatives

If you would like to become more involved with the PTA, but do not want to become part of the full committee, then the Parent Class Representative might be the position for you! Positions are available for Parent Class Representatives across the school, so if you feel that you could offer your support, please contact the PTA on victoriapenarthptag-mail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.