

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

18th October 2019

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

Thank you for attending parent consultation meetings, which are an integral part of home/school partnership. We hope that you found them useful in supporting your child with their next steps in learning. If you were unable to attend the meetings, then please contact the school office in order to make an alternative appointment.

Thank you also for the Harvest contributions; once again, you have been very generous. The children and staff enjoyed participating in the celebrations at the Penarth Tabernacle Church, and we will share photographs of the event in next week's newsletter.

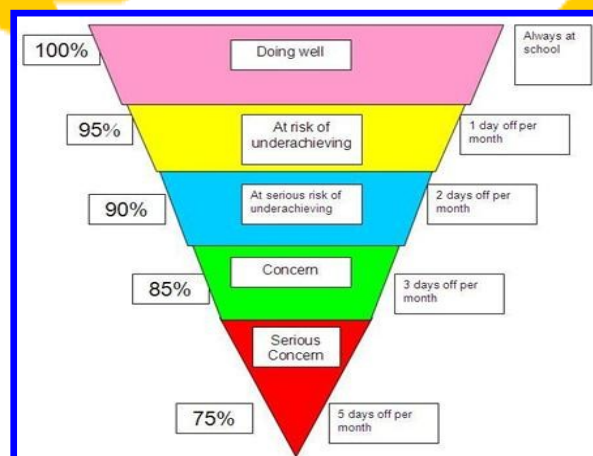
Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Daniels

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%. A special well done to Class 3FY who had the highest attendance with 100%.
WELL DONE!



Dragon Bank

In 2016, the UK sent 235 million items of clothing to landfill. This is crazy considering that nearly all clothing items are recyclable!

The clothing that ends up in landfills can sit there for 200+ years, and as it decomposes, it emits methane—a greenhouse gas more potent than carbon.

Victoria Primary School is actively trying to help and we have taken delivery of a 'Dragon Bank'—a clothes recycling box. Donated clothes are shipped around the world where they provide affordable clothing to people who need it. Plus, the PTA will receive £50 every time the Dragon Bank is emptied!

Our Dragon Bank is located here....



Year 5 Explore Tudor Times

Year 5 have been very busy this term learning about life during Tudor times. So far we have; cooked and tasted Pottage, Gingered Bread and Ship's biscuits, studied the life of Shakespeare and some of his plays, and we have explored the fascinating lives of some of the Tudor monarchs.

Most recently we enjoyed a fantastic trip to Llancaiach Fawr Manor which was built in 1550 and learned a great deal about life during the Tudor and Stuart era. Here, the children enjoyed a guided tour around the manor and participated in a variety of activities such as creating a plague bag and learning about the barber surgeon.



Red Day in Nursery

Nursery enjoyed celebrating the colour Red on Wednesday. Not only did the children wear red, we had Red snacks and even went on a Red hunt. Thank you all for supporting Red Day! Just to let you know we are now full in morning nursery and our new children have settled in beautifully with our golden oldies. Our afternoon children are doing really well too and are enjoying each other's company.



Parent Workshops

Over the next two terms, we will be holding workshops which will provide you with information to support your child's learning:

Workshop One – Friday 8th November 09:30 – 10:30

Technology Hwb

Workshop Two – Thursday 14th November 09:30 -10:30

Foundation Phase Reading

Workshop Three – Monday 18th November 09:30 – 10:30

Wellbeing Provision

Workshop Four - Tuesday 19th November 09:30 – 10:30

Key Stage 2 Numeracy

Workshop Five – Thursday 30th January 09:30 – 10:30

Key Stage 2 Reading

Workshop Six– Tuesday 4th February 09:30 -10:30

Foundation Phase Numeracy

Workshop Seven – Tuesday 11th February 09:30 – 10:30

Curriculum for Wales

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Emotional Health Well-Being and Behavioural Support Parent Course

If you're experiencing challenging behaviour at home and looking for some support from specialists and parents Inspired Learners can support you!

Come and share your experience in an informal setting and develop a network of support.

The emotional health and well-being training course aims to; -

- Develop confidence and understanding around positive emotional health
- Provide opportunities to share ideas and strategies
- Identify challenging behaviour and strategies to support your child
- Understand that behaviour is a form of communication
- Reasons for challenging behaviour- attachment, ACE's, trauma, ASD/ADHD/ODD- group work

Enable parents to share their experiences and advice with other people

Date: To be confirmed (Afternoon or Saturday morning available)

Cost: £25.00 per person (Includes refreshments)

Course duration: Two hours

For further information please contact 07706 415651 or email Hello@Inspired-Learners.co.uk



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Spooky Disco

On Thursday 24 October, we will be holding a spooky fundraising disco, in order to raise funds for end of term celebration treats. The KS2 discos times are as follows:

Years 3-4 16:00—17:00
Years 5-6 17:00—18:00

The children will be able to wear their favourite spooky costume and, for £2.00, will have entry to the disco and be provided with a spooky snack and drink.



Victoria Museum Theme week

The Curriculum Task Group have been very busy organising this term's whole school theme week. They have decided to focus on Welsh history, specifically Welsh Castles. Activities for the week beginning November 25th include:

- Theatre visit from Pandemonium Theatre
- Archives visit
- The Great castle Quiz
- Welsh menus

On Friday 29th November, the children will be able to come to school in clothes that represent Wales e.g. Rugby shirt, National costume etc.

There will be a Family Learning project to present a famous Welsh Castle—more details to follow.



Calendar 2019/2020

Rev. Cox in to visit Y5
PC Mudie in to visit Y6
Spooky Disco

Monday 21st October
Thursday 24th October
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Half Term

Mon 28th Oct—Fri 1st Nov

Y3 trip to Caerleon
Fire engine to visit Y2
Anti-Bullying Week
Children in need day
Parent workshop—wellbeing
Whole School Theme Week (costume needed)
Y4WH trip to Archives office
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Christmas Fayre
Christmas Concerts
Y3 and Y4 Theatre trip (Snow Queen)
Y1 visit to Techniquet
Christmas Party
Last day of Autumn Term

Mon 4th November
Weds 6th November
w/b 11th November
Friday 15th November
Monday 18th November
Mon 25th Nov—Fri 29th Nov
Thurs 28th November
Fri 29th November
Saturday 30th November
w/b 3rd December
Tuesday 10th December
Tuesday 17th December
Thursday 19th December
Friday 20th December

INSET—school closed to pupils

Friday 14th February

INSET—school closed to pupils

Friday 22nd May

INSET—school closed to pupils
(Additional day to implement new Curriculum for Wales)

Friday 26th June

INSET—school closed to pupils

Monday 20th July

To support the paying of snack money, below are the number of weeks in each half term:

Aut 1	8 weeks
Aut 2	7 weeks
Spr 1	6 weeks
Spr 2	6 weeks
Sum 1	5 weeks
Sum 2	7 weeks