

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

7th September 2018
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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

Happy New School Year

A warm welcome back to all of our pupils and families. We hope that after the long holiday the children are well rested and ready to work hard and achieve their very best this academic year. At Victoria School we look forward to working closely with you over the course of the year.

Attendance

At this time of year we like to remind parents of their responsibility to ensure that their children regularly attend school. All absences need to be authorised, so please make sure that you contact the school if your child is not going to be in school due to illness. We encourage families not to take holidays during term time, however, in exceptional circumstances, request for leave forms are available from the school office. Please note that permission cannot be granted for an authorised absence unless the reason falls within criteria set down by the Welsh Assembly Government. We would politely request that all non-emergency appointments are made after school or during holidays.

In 2017/2018, the total number of sessions missed due to holidays was 1547!

Collection Changes

If there are any changes to collection arrangements, please inform the classteacher in advance. In an emergency, please contact the office before 3:15.

Family circumstances

If any family circumstances change (including contact details), please can you either inform the class teacher, school office or myself. It is important that we are kept aware of any changes that will affect your child's well being or our ability to contact you.

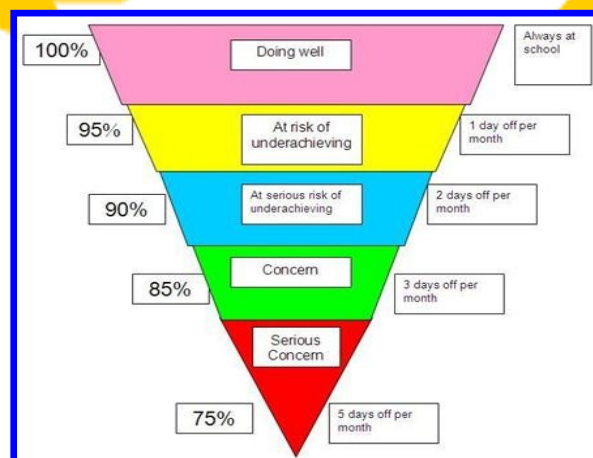
Thank you for your continued support.
Have a lovely weekend

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 98%. A special well done to Classes 2G, 5E, 5J 6K, 6G who had the highest attendance with 100%. **WELL DONE!**



Meet the teacher Meetings

We will be holding our annual 'Meet the teacher' meetings in order to give parents an opportunity to come into school and find out key information for the year ahead. These meetings are invaluable in receiving information that will assist both you and your child in preparing for their time in their current year group. There will also be an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have. Please see the calendar on the back page detailing the date and time of your child's year group meeting. We look forward to seeing you.



Year 6 House Captains

House Captains

Cornerswell

George Thomas Curtis
Violet Evans

Meliden

Luke Taylor
Olivia Evans

Stanwell

Sam Dacey
Jessica Sweet

Baron

George Bennett
Isabella Heffer

Vice Captains

Alex Stechman
Rosie Bialynicki-Birula

William Reypert
Vida Mahoney

Ioan Miles
Poppy Afia

Thomas Hazell
Alfie Rainbird
Megan Coleman-
Humphreys



HEALTHY BODY, HEALTHY MIND

Our whole school topic for the next two weeks is 'Healthy body, healthy mind'. During this time, the children will have an opportunity to healthy life choices that will positively affect their health and well being in the future.

We are very fortunate to have members of both the school and wider community who have volunteered to come and talk to the children about different aspects of a healthy lifestyle e.g. diet, exercise and mindfulness.

Aaron Phipps, who represented the united Kingdom in London 2012 in wheelchair rugby, will visit the school to talk about positive mindsets and overcoming barriers.

We will also be exploring the concept of Growth Mindset with the children; in particular looking at how a positive mindset and continued effort can lead to an improvement in our skills. All staff and children will be setting themselves a challenge to work towards this academic year. So far, the staff have signed up to hula hooping, juggling, playing a musical instrument and doing the splits! I will regularly update you on our progress.

Growth Mindset, and a positive attitude, are vital to our wellbeing and, later in the year, we will be holding workshops for parents so that they are aware of some of the techniques they can use at home.

We are certain that this will be an invaluable experience for the children and we look forward to sharing our learning with you.



Calendar 2018/2019

Whole school theme week
Y3 Meet the teacher
Paralympian Visit
Y5 Meet the teacher
Y4 Meet the teacher
Y6 Meet the teacher
Y2 Meet the teacher
Y4 Victorian Immersion Day
Y1 Meet the teacher
Year 6G to Brecon
Year 6K to Brecon
PTA Bingo Night
Year 4 to St Fagans
School photos
Harvest assembly
Parent Consultations
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Key Stage 2 Spooky Disco

INSET—school closed to pupils

Half Term

Y3 trip to Caerleon
Whole School Theme Week (costume needed)
Tales of Wales Theatre visit
Christmas fayre
Christmas Concerts

Last day of Autumn Term

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Tues 4th Sept—Fri 14th Sept
Thursday 6th Sept 2:45pm
Monday 10th September
Monday 10th Sept 2:45pm
Wednesday 12th Sept 2:45pm
Thursday 13th Sept 2:45pm
Monday 17th Sept 2:45pm
Monday 17th September
Thursday 20th Sept 2:45pm
Monday 24th September
Tuesday 25th September
Friday 28th September
Wednesday 3rd October
Friday 5th October
Friday 19th October
Mon 15th October 3:45—6:30
Weds 17th October 3:45—6:30
Thursday 25th October

Friday 26th October

Mon 29th Oct—Fri 2nd Nov

Monday 5th November
Mon 26th Nov—Fri 30 Nov
Friday 30th November
Saturday 1st December
w/b 3rd December

Friday 21st December

Monday 7th January

Friday 24th May

Monday 22nd July