

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

4th February 2022
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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

Next week the children will be participating in Internet safety day. This is an incredibly important learning area as we are definitely seeing an increase of internet misuse outside of school, particularly around social media. Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Safer Internet Day 2022 is on 8th February and will be celebrated with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'

We have included some brief top tips for parents on age restrictions. For more information and guidance, please see the updated section of our school website.

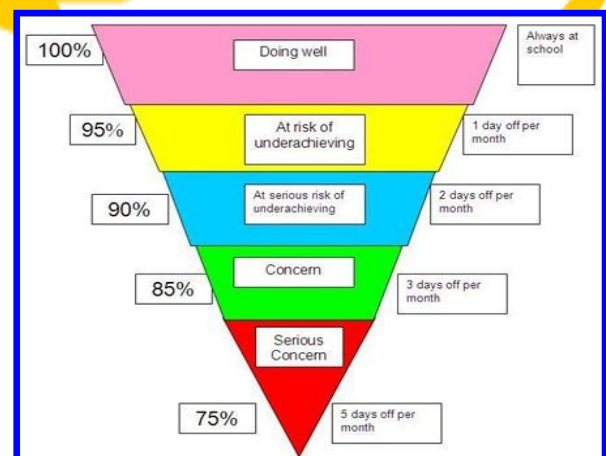
Have a lovely weekend.

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 94%. A special well done to Class 1B who had the highest attendance with 97.7%. WELL DONE!



School Nursing Service

Were you aware that we still have a school nursing service and that you are able to contact them on 01446 704114 for any health matters concerns or queries? This service is available to all pupil and families of Victoria primary School.

If there are any changes to your child's medical health or medication, please contact the office so that we can update our records.



Star of the week



★ Reception

Georgia Moran

Saoirse Parker

★ Year 1

Charlie Griffiths

Margo Owens

★ Year 2

Jude Burns

Wilf West

Annabelle Ely

★ Year 3

Quinlan Anderson-Clements

Luca Ahmed

★ Year 4

Aven Navarra

Magnus Harvey

Catrin Cornmell

★ Year 5

Noah Smith

Harry Mumford

★ Year 6

Emily Lowther

Phoebe Bevington

Sophie Lerway

Year 1 trip to Technquest

Year 1 had a wonderful time at Technquest this week. They explored the science activities; having fun and learning at the same time. There is a wonderful video of the trip on Google classroom for you to see.



Life cycles in Year 2

Year 2 have been learning about bee life cycles this week.

Today we discovered why bees make honey; how they collect it from the flower and then turn it into honey.

It was a bit gross but it didn't put the children off making and eating honey sandwiches though!



ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



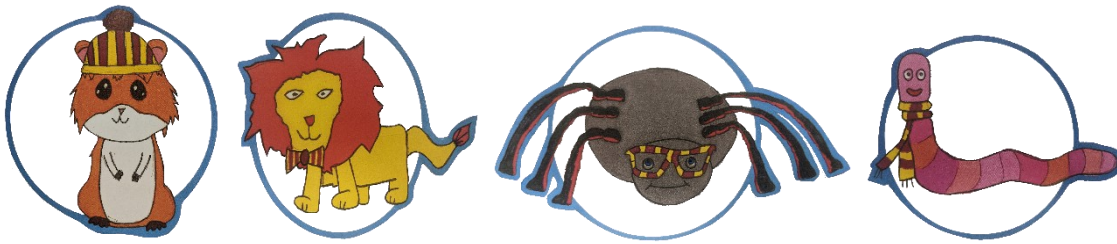
10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.

NOS National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday



The Four Purposes Family challenge

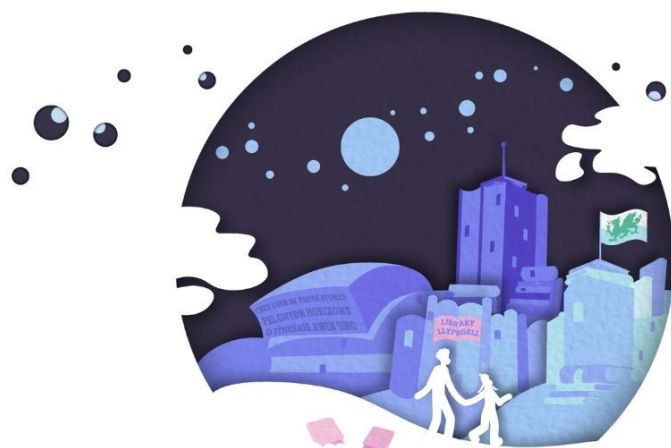


Be 'Sam the Creative Spider' and show off your creativity !

Your challenge is to 'create' a piece of art work from recyclable materials e.g. plastic bottle tops' Be creative and use your imagination.

You may want to take a photo of your artwork and upload it onto Google Classroom





Winter of Wellbeing

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Winter of Wellbeing



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THE READING AGENCY

Walking for Wellbeing

Perfect for
9-14-year-olds

8 February 6-7PM
FREE



Come on a journey with us! Join Eloise Williams, award-winning author and inaugural Children's Laureate Wales (2019-21) to discover how the great outdoors inspires her stories and what you can learn from her as she shares them.

Books Are Your Best Mates

Perfect for
9-14-year-olds

8 February 7.30-8.30PM
FREE

Welsh
language
event



A fabulous opportunity to hear from award-winning author, Manon Steffan Ros about how books can inspire us, affect us, and keep us company. We'll talk about the books we love and why we love them, and there will be an opportunity to ask Manon any questions you may have about being an author.

Celebrate you - and your day!

Perfect for
0-4-year-olds

9 February 6-7PM
FREE



Cwtch up and bring your favourite cuddly! One of your favourite picture book authors, Sarah KilBride (you may know her gorgeous 'A Cuddle and a Cwtch') is ready to share some magical supertime reading and relaxation with you and your little ones, as well as some inspiring ideas for bringing stories alive every day, everywhere!

You are enough, and I can prove it...

Perfect for
ages 15+

9 February 7.30-8.30PM
FREE



Award-winning writer, poet, actor and current Children's Laureate Wales Connor Allen will lead this special conversation with young people across Wales about the power of creativity and why empowerment is the greatest tool we have.

Book Online: WinterOfWellbeing.ReadingAgency.org.uk

Calendar 2021/2022

Internet Safety Day
Y3 Bird of Prey workshop
Y2 Ugly Bug Ball (costume needed)
Last day of half term

INSET—school closed to pupils

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Eisteddfod
World Book Day (costume needed)
Parent/ Teacher Consultations
Y5 trip to Techniquet
PTA Quiz

Class Photos
Sponsored Danceathon
Whole school STEM week
Y2 Cinema Event

INSET—school closed to pupils

Cluster Curriculum INSET day

Tuesday 8th February
Monday 14th February
Thursday 17th February
Thursday 17th February

Friday 18th February

Monday 28th February

Tuesday 1st March
Thursday 3rd March
w/b 7th March
Thursday 17th March
Friday 18th March

Monday 28th March
Friday 1st April
w/b 4th April
Friday 8th April

Friday 27th May

Friday 17th June

