

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

6th September 2024
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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents/Carers
Happy New School Year

A warm welcome back to all of our pupils and families. We hope that after the very long break, the children are well rested and ready to work hard and achieve their very best this academic year. I am so incredibly proud of our children and the way they have embraced school life this week. Well done all!

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 to not take holidays during term time, however, in exceptional circumstances, request for leave forms are available from the school office.

We would politely request that all non-emergency appointments are made after school or during holidays. As part of the Vale 'Miss school Miss out', campaign our school target for attendance is 96%.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to working with you this school year.

Have a lovely weekend.

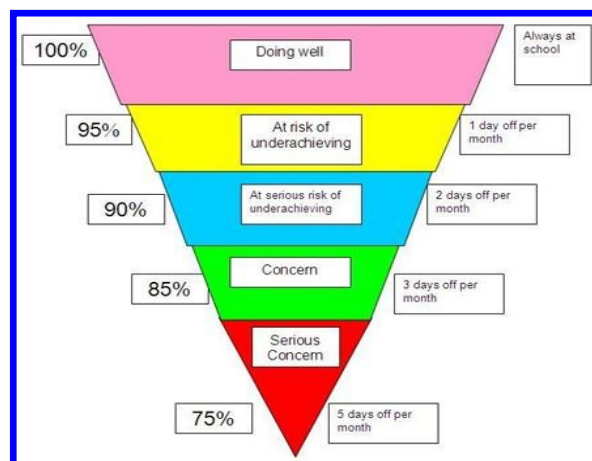
Mrs Davies

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 97.3%. A special well done to Class 5OW who had the highest attendance with 98.7%.

WELL DONE!



Safeguarding Concerns

As a school we have been using a system called My Concern to record and report all our safeguarding and bullying concerns which helps bring all the information together in one place and makes managing and investigating issues much easier. We now use the parent aspect of this system which will improve the communication and response to concerns you report. The form will be sent directly to the school safeguarding leads.

Moving forward we request that if you have a safeguarding or bullying concern about a child in our school, you report it via My Voice. The link and QR code below will take you to a form to complete:

<https://form.thesafeguardingcompany.com/32f6fbc9-983a-42ee-a009-bb7d4baede8d>



Uniform

It has been wonderful to see the children arrive for school dressed so smartly and showing that they are ready to learn. Thank you for your support in this.

A quick reminder of the following, after our long summer break:

- Jewellery—one watch and one pair of stud earrings.
- Smart black shoes (not black trainers, other than on PE days).
- Tattoos, make up and nail varnish are lovely for **weekends and holidays only**.
- Hair tied back for safety.
- PE days—plain white t-shirt, plain black leggings, shorts or jogging bottoms.



Reception

Our Reception children have had a wonderful start and we are very proud of the way they have adapted to life in 'big school'. Well done Children.



Notices

Volunteers

We're on the lookout for enthusiastic parent volunteers to help with reading sessions, arts and crafts, project work, and more! Your support makes a huge difference in our children's learning experiences. If you're interested, please contact ALNCo Mrs Hall via the school email address. Thank you for your continued support.



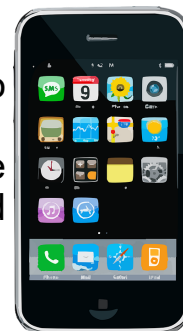
Job Vacancy

We currently have a temporary position vacancy for a Midday Supervisor and Breakfast Club Supervisor. If you are interested, please contact the school office for further information.



Safeguarding

We would like to respectfully remind you that, due to safeguarding reasons and in line with school policy, no mobile phones are to be used on the school premise and playground. Thank you for your support.



Cashpot for schools

Find out how you can help raise money for Victoria Primary School through shopping with Asda.

We need your help!!

We've got some exciting news to share with you. Parentkind – a charity that supports school PTAs – have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. To support our PTA, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our school, shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com.

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative – look out for the TV advert, radio ads and social media coverage!

It's as easy as 1,2,3

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools
2. Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode
3. Shop in stores across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your cashpot as you shop.

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most. Remember, anyone can sign up – so start spreading the news and raising funds for our school.

This initiative is on top of the existing Asda Rewards benefits you get as a shopper – so you won't lose out on any of your own earnings or cashpot, so everyone is a winner!

For more details, visit asda.com/cashpotforschools

Calendar 2024/2025

Theme week—This is me
Meet the teacher meetings

Y2 trip to Cardiff Castle
Y6 Chance encounters event (WW2 costume needed)
Y6 visit to Stanwell
Individual photos

INSET—school closed to pupils

Y3/4 to Welsh Jamboree
Parent/teacher consultations
Y4 to Egyptian centre
Show racism the red card day (Wear Red)
Harvest assembly
Y5/6 Swansea theatre trip
PTA Spooky Disco

Half Term

Cake sale (Y2/Y6 contributions)
Anti bullying week
Flu vaccination
Children in need
Theme week

Christmas Fayre

PTA Wreath workshop
Whole school Sherman theatre trip
Class Parties

Last day of term

First day of term

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4-6 September

Y1 9th September 2:30pm

Y6 10th September 1:30pm

Y3 10th September 2:30pm

Y4 11th September 1:30pm

Y5 11th September 2:30pm

Y2 12th September 2:30pm

Wednesday 18th September

Wednesday 18th September

Tuesday 24th September

Friday 27th September

Friday 4th October

Thursday 10th October

w/b 14th October

17th October

Friday 18th October

Tuesday 22nd October

Wednesday 23rd October

Thursday 24th October

w/b 28th October

Friday 8th November

w/b 11th November

Thursday 14th November

Friday 15th November

w/b 25th November

Saturday 30th November

Thursday 5th December

Thursday 5th December

Wednesday 18th December

Friday 20th December

Monday 6th January

Friday 21st February

Friday 2nd May

Monday 21st July