

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

8th November 2024

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Annwyl Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. I hope that you enjoyed the half term break and are ready to join us in our busiest half term of the school year. As always, please check the calendar page to check for any new diary dates.

Next week, we will be participating in anti-bullying week and, on Monday 11th November, we will be celebrating how unique and special we are by wearing our odd socks.

On Friday 15th November, we will be fundraising for Children In Need. Our Year 5/6 pupils have been working very hard to organise the day and are keen to make the most money that they can! For a donation, all pupils can wear their own clothes and Y2-Y6 can bring in some coins to spend at the Children in need stalls.

Diolch yn fawr for your continued support
Have a lovely weekend

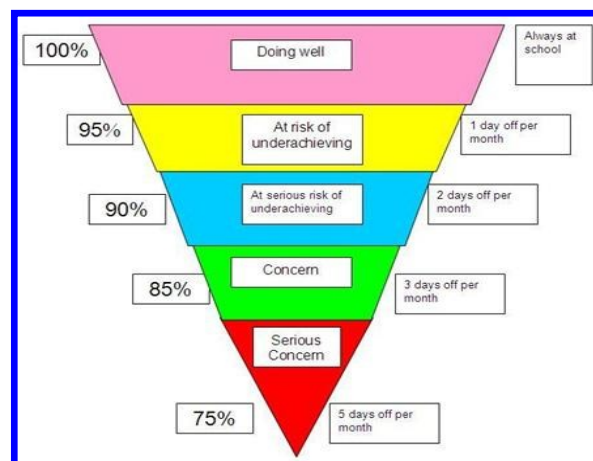
Mrs Davies

PRESENTOLDEB

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 95.1%. A special well done to Class RSD who had the highest attendance with 100%.

WELL DONE!



Annie Egglestone—Football Star

Annie Egglestone (4OF) played in the Bridgend District U9 girls football tournament with her team, Cardiff and Vale, during half term.

Her team played for the Plate and won it! A great team effort. Well done Annie, we are very proud of you.



Seren Yr Wythnos



Reception

Arabella Turner

Elizabeth Gittins

Y1

Joseph Karim

Isla Mae Quinn

Y2

Libby Mclean

Erin Connolly

Y3

Daniel Slugg

Iolo Freeman Powell

Y4

Kayson Bailey

Clara Burns

Y5

Millie Forrester

Phoebe North

Y6

Mia Pedwell

Imogen Khoshooee

Siaradwr Cymraeg Yr Wythnos



Reception

Celyn Bowkett

James Sharifi

Y1

Seb Hall

Mila Woods

Y2

Nancie-Rose Buckland

Adelina Jenkins

Y3

Carys Harding

Alec Browning

Y4

Joseph Gee

Blake Jones

Y5

Cora Meaton

Jude Burns

Y6

Livvy Robson

Reilly Forrester

Town Mayor's competition

It's that time of year again! The Town Mayor would like to invite primary school age children to enter the Christmas painting and poetry competition. The Town Mayor's annual painting competition has been running since the 1980's and has been wonderfully supported by the community in Penarth, and the Town Mayor hopes you will be able to support the competition again this year.

Penarth Town Mayor Councillor Gwenda Roberts has chosen the following themes:

Painting Competition:

Christmas Lights & Decorations (the Town Mayor would like pupils to include one recycled item in their painting e.g. a milk top bottle, recycled paper etc.)

Poetry Competition:

Giving at Christmas

You can be as creative as you like. If you would like to enter the competition, then send your entries to Mrs Wason by **Wednesday 20th November 2024**. Please make sure your name, age and class is on the back of your entry.

Good luck!



Mayor of the Vale of Glamorgan's

Christmas Card Competition



The Mayor is searching for budding artists across the Vale Primary Schools

to design an annual Christmas Card

The theme for the designs this year is:

Magic Christmas Memories



The winner will have their picture made into a Christmas card to be sent around the country to some very important people and receive a special school visit where they will be presented with their prize.

Please send all your pictures to
The Mayor's Office

Mayor@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

or by post to:

Vale of Glamorgan Council Civic
Offices, Holton Road Barry CF63 4RU



WANTED, GREEN FINGERS AND/OR MUSCLE POWER!!

We are very excited to share that we have been awarded funding from the 'Big Fresh Catering Company' to develop a well-being and sensory garden.

This will include plants like herbs and grasses to ignite our sense of smell and touch and to aid calmness. There will also be an arch to enter the garden, a book shed, bug house and much more.

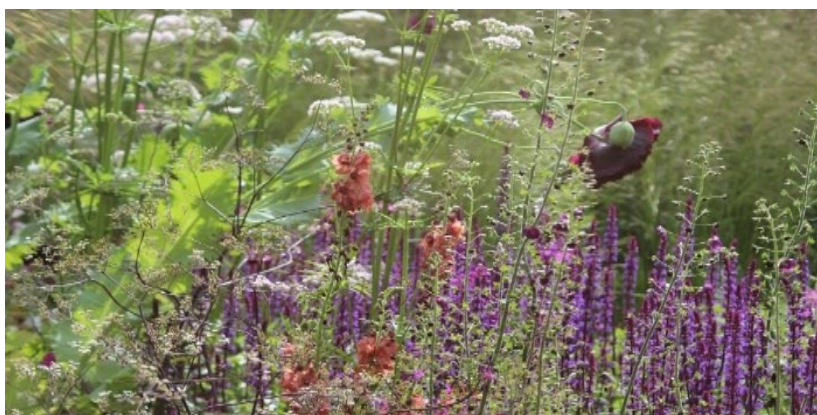
We would like to get started on this project before the winter sets in by preparing the raised beds on the school yard and planting bulbs ready to bloom next Spring.

We are asking for adult volunteers with green fingers and/or muscles to help us get started on Saturday the 16th November between 10.00am – 1.00pm.

We ask that if you have garden tools, you bring them along please. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be provided.

We are very excited about getting started on this project!

Please let the office know by Friday the 15th November if you are able to help. Thank you!



Join Our Parent Voice Group!

Are you passionate about making a difference in our school community? We're on the lookout for enthusiastic volunteers to join our Parent Voice Group! This is a fantastic opportunity for parents from all walks of life to come together and share their views.

Your insights will help the school understand how it can better support our community while also empowering parents to help their children thrive. Every voice matters, and we want to hear yours!

Don't worry if you have no previous experience—everyone is welcome! Whether you're a seasoned campaigner or a first-time volunteer, your perspective is invaluable to us.

Join us for friendly discussions, share your ideas and be part of an initiative that truly makes a difference. Let's work together to create a supportive environment for our children to flourish. Interested? Get in touch today! We can't wait to hear from you!



Eco Warriors

I am extremely proud of Molly and El-lie (5S) who came to me with an idea of ensuring that we had no litter on our playground. After helping me to choose and purchase the correct equipment, they are ready to start their new jobs. Thank you, girls, for helping to make our school a lovely place to be.





Victoria Primary school will be offering an exciting opportunity for parents to get involved with some 'Happy and Healthy' cooking sessions hosted by Cook Stars Vale of Glamorgan. Healthy Happy Cook Stars is a cookery, education and enrichment programme.

The sessions in Victoria Primary School will be 2 hours long and will involve parents and children working together to create different dishes whilst learning about how to make those Healthy food choices.

These dishes will then be taken home and enjoyed with their families. All participants will also go home with a recipe card so that the dish can be recreated at home.

A particular focus will be placed upon the Maths skills used during the cookery session thus helping to develop and consolidate both children's and adults' knowledge and understanding of Maths all whilst having lots of fun in an encouraging environment and alongside their parent / Guardian.

There will be a different focus each week. Parents do not need to sign up to all of the sessions but can express an interest for which ones they would like to or are able to attend. School will then assign parents to a specific session.

There is a maximum of 14 parents per session who can be accompanied by up to 2 children (if they are siblings).

See the session dates and each focus below:

09:30 – 11:30 am

Session overview:

Session 1:– 16th January -Around the World- India -

Session 2 : 23rd January - Around the World- China

Session 3—30th January -Shopping and cooking with numbers

Session 4 — 6th February - Healthy lunchbox

Session 5 -- 13th February -Shopping and Cooking with numbers

Session 6- 20th February - Eat the Rainbow

The Multiply programme is funded by the UK Government through the Shared Prosperity Fund and so collection of all participants' details (e.g.DOB, Name, address, GCSE MATHS Levels) is a requirement. Your information will be stored by the Government for a maximum of 7 years. It will then be securely destroyed.

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Phone: 07473240684

www.cookstars.co.uk/cooking-classes/vale-of-glamorgan

Calendr 2024/2025

Anti bullying week
Odd Socks Day
Flu vaccination
Children in need
School open day for Reception 2025
Book Fayre
Tombola Donations (**own clothes day**)
Star Writer assembly
Christmas Fayre

KS2 Christmas performance at Stanwell School
PTA Wreath workshop
Whole school Sherman theatre trip

Theme week

Reception Christmas performance
Nursery singalong
Y1/Y2 Christmas performance

Class Parties

Last day of term

First day of term

INSET—school closed to pupils

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w/b 11th November
Monday 12th November
Thursday 14th November
Friday 15th November
Tuesday 19th Nov 9.30-11.00am
Mon 25th –Weds 27th Nov
Friday 29th November
Friday 29th November
Saturday 30th November

Weds 4th Dec/Thurs 5th Dec
Thursday 5th December
Thursday 5th December

w/b 9th December

Tuesday 10th December 9.30am
Weds 11th December 10:45am
Friday 13th December

Wednesday 18th December

Friday 20th December

Monday 6th January

Friday 21st February

Friday 2nd May

Monday 21st July

