

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

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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.

A special thank you to the PTA for organising the recent Quiz Night— a massive **£713** was raised. Well done all!

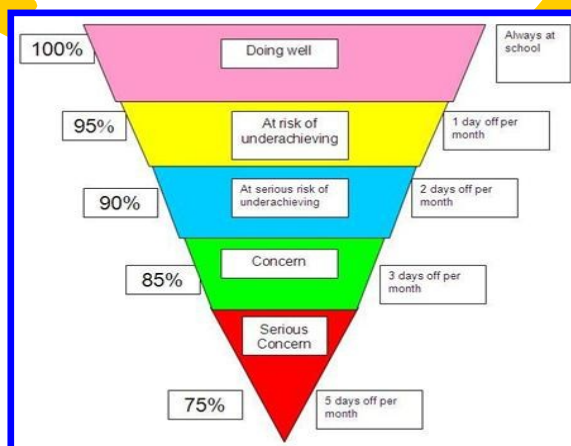
Have a lovely half term holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back on **TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER.**

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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 96.3%. A special well done to Class 14 who had the highest attendance with 100%. WELL DONE!



STAR OF THE WEEK



Reception Ffion Matthews Noah Smith

Y1 Henry Vodden George Dacey

Y2 Ollie Pattison Haydn Lane Lili Pearn

Y3 Amelie Williams Ruben Landeg

Y4 Lauren Ashmore Jessie Tuckett

Y5 Maisie James Anna Lacey Mrs Mogford's English group

Y6 Max Lewis Mason Huish

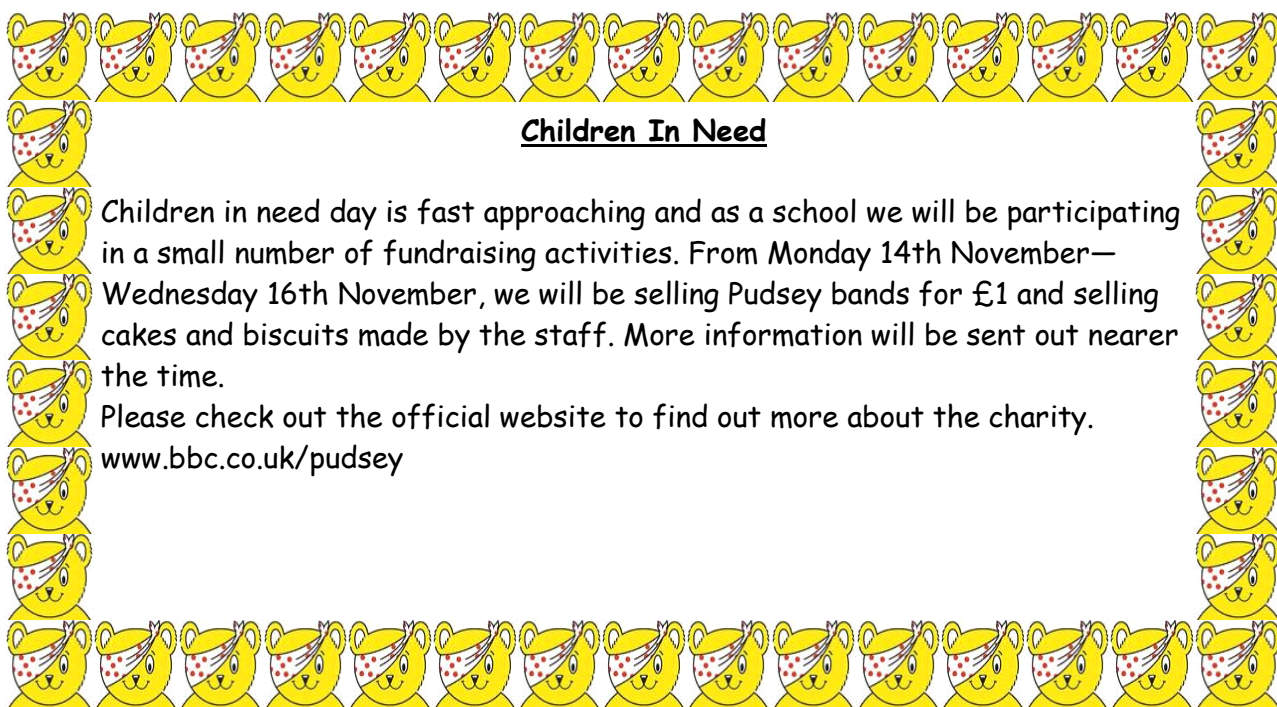
Harvest Festival

On Thursday 13th October, the children visited the Tabernacle Church for their Harvest Festival. It was a lovely service where the children were given an opportunity to reflect on those less fortunate and to give thanks for the food that we eat.

A very special thank you to Lucy Taylor, Ted Jones, Zoe Anstee, Zach Ellis, William Ogden, George Clements, Poppy Afia, Lucy Brading, Robert Russin, Joshua Slagter, Jocelyn North and Katy Penn who read so clearly, and to Beatrice Spence who played her instrument so beautifully.

Thank you also to our parents for their generosity; the Harvest display was overwhelming!





Children In Need

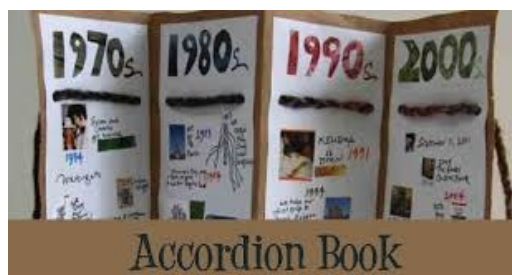
Children in need day is fast approaching and as a school we will be participating in a small number of fundraising activities. From Monday 14th November— Wednesday 16th November, we will be selling Pudsey bands for £1 and selling cakes and biscuits made by the staff. More information will be sent out nearer the time.

Please check out the official website to find out more about the charity.
www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey

Family Learning Project

This week we have given the children an **optional** Family Learning Project to complete. The children have until Friday 4th November to return the project so that families who are busy over the half term break are given additional time to complete. If you wish to participate in the task, please note that it is only **ONE** project per family, with as much involvement from as many family members as possible.

We are looking forward to sharing the completed projects with your children.



Operation Christmas Child

One of our parents Mrs Payne, will be supporting the charity Operation Christmas Child and will be collecting shoeboxes containing gifts (tooth brushes, toothpaste and soap, hairbrushes, pens, pencils, something to write in, toys or games). If you would like to contribute then please return your box during the morning or afternoon school collections at the back Shelter on the 9th , 10th and 11th November.

Please use the stickers on the leaflet to indicate if the box is for a boy or girl and the approximate age range. The boxes should not be taped down but held shut with an elastic band.

Should you have any questions about Operation Christmas Child, or Samaritan's Purse, please visit: www.samaritans-purse.org.uk or speak with Lora Payne on 07403901603.



Spooky Disco

On Tuesday 1st November, we will be holding a spooky fundraising disco, in order to raise funds for end of term celebration treats. The Foundation Phase disco will take place during the school afternoon, at no cost.

For the children in Foundation Phase, the disco will be optional and will last for a maximum of 20 minutes. Throughout the week, the children will be studying relevant books, such as "Funny Bones" and "Afraid of the dark", and participating in a variety of fun spooky activities. On the day, if children in FP want to change, they may bring their costume in a named bag.

The KS2 discos will happen after school:

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.

Please note, that this is NOT a Halloween celebration.

Due to recent media coverage, may we respectfully ask that children do not come to the disco dressed as clowns, as we have worked very hard to reassure the children. Thank you.

'I.T. AND BEYOND!'

'Reaching out to grandparents' (the silver surfers)

If your 'computer skills' need a little TLC, then why not take advantage of our expertise.

We are hosting a workshop on the 16th November (1.30-3pm) where our digital leaders (children) can work with you to improve your IT skills, specifically looking at how to use an i-pad.

The workshop will be held in Mr Husband's class: just off the junior hall.

We look forward to seeing you.



Calendar 2016/2017

Autumn Term

Half Term	Monday 24 th October to Friday 28 th Oct
Staff Training Day (School closed to all pupils)	Monday 31 st October
Spooky Disco	Tuesday 1 st November
Y4 trip to Techniquest	Tuesday 1 st November
Own clothes day (contributions for tombola)	Tuesday 15 th November
Christmas Fayre	Friday 18 th November
Victoria Museum Theme Week (costume needed)	Monday 21 st November
Breakfast with Santa	Saturday 3 rd December
PTA Cake sale (contributions from Year 4)	Friday 9 th December
Christmas Party	Thursday 15 th December
Last Day of Term	Friday 16 th December

Spring Term

Staff Training Day (School closed to all pupils)	Tuesday 3 rd January
First Day of Term	Wednesday 4 th January
Half Term	Monday 20 th to Friday 24 th February
Y6 Residential	Monday 20 th to Friday 24 th March
Last Day of Term	Friday 7 th April

Summer Term

First Day of Term	Monday 24 th April
Staff Training Day (School closed to all pupils)	Friday 26 th May
Half Term	Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 st July

Winning House

The house with the most star points this week is
Stanwell —Well done all!

