

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

9th June 2017

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the last half term of the school year!

Firstly, I would like to thank you for the fantastic support that we received during our Ground Force Day. The weather was very kind to us and we managed to plant and paint to great effect. The grass has also been completed and the shelter forest area is really beginning to take shape!

This half term is incredibly busy so please ensure that you check the diary page every week. Sometimes, we do need to make last minute changes, but they will always be reflected on the back page.

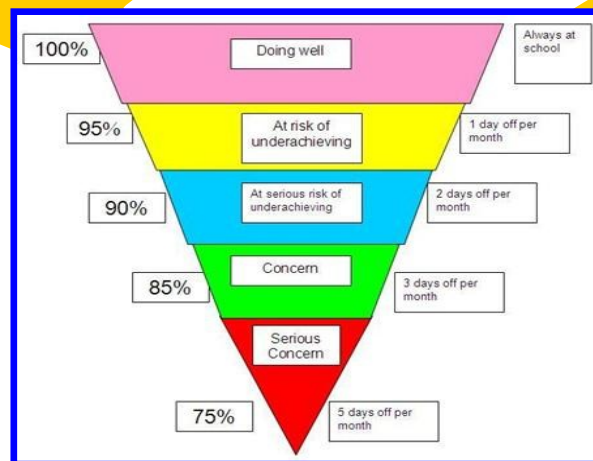
Have a lovely weekend

S 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 Classes 6 and 11 who had the highest attendance with 98%. WELL DONE!



Star of the week



Reception

Joel Todd

Brendan Tennant-Marsh

Maisie Jay

Y1

Lara Russin

Dylan Person

Owen Herdman

Y2

Jack Spear

Ethan Pugh

Annabelle Goddard

Charlie Bialynicki-Birula

Y3

Chloe Person

Nikhil Gaglani

Billy Rasbury

Y4

Jacob Adams

Isabella Heffer

Y5

Joseph Lerway

Zach Ellis Ioan Davies

Y6

Daniel Hill

Malachi Humphreys

Winning House

This week's winning House is

Baron

Congratulations



National Picnic Week

On Wednesday 21st June, we will be celebrating National Picnic week with a picnic themed school dinner. The menu selection will be:

Assorted baguettes, wraps or sandwiches, Chicken Goujons, sausage rolls, boiled egg, carrots, cucumber, peppers, cherry tomatoes, mayonnaise dip.

Mini shortbread, fairy cakes, fresh fruit

Please note that this will be the only lunchtime option.



Google Expeditions

Children of Victoria Primary went on a journey of a lifetime on Tuesday 23rd May as they experienced school excursions in an entirely new light. Victoria were very excited to have been selected as part of the Google Expeditions training that Google offered freely to 8 schools in Wales. Expeditions is a new product that allows teachers to take their classes on virtual field trips, immersing students in experiences that bring abstract concepts to life and give pupils a deeper understanding of the world beyond the classroom. Children from Year 1 to Year 6 used Google Cardboard viewers with phones inside, to be taken on 3D experiences to places such as Victoria Falls, Antarctica and on an Ocean Safari. The trips were a collection of virtual reality panoramas and the teachers were able to select points of interest for the children to look at and discuss. Rachel Davies, IT leader, said, 'The excitement from the children was instant. Whilst nothing replaces hopping on the bus for a field trip, Expeditions provided an unparalleled opportunity for our children. Seeing the brilliant ways teachers integrated VR into our classrooms was inspiring and we hope to be able to find a way to fund the technology in our school one day'.

The school is keen to work with local businesses to further develop IT in school, please contact the school if you are able to help in any way.



Lesotho fund raising day

On Thursday 25th May the whole school participated in fund raising for Ty Academy, our partner school in Lesotho, and TY Hafan. Year 5 and 6 children successfully organised the event and created many exciting and tasty stalls to run on the day.

All children in the school were invited to support these worthwhile causes and brought money into school to spend on the stalls and activities.

It was a hugely successful event that raised nearly £1,000.



'Awesome Olympians'

On Tuesday 6th June the school was invited to send its finest athletes to compete in an inter-schools event at Jenner Park. There was a total of 12 schools taking part with children competing in a range of activities, ranging from the 600m run to the long jump. The children did extremely well and came second, narrowly beaten by Evenlode. This means that the school has qualified for the regional final to be held in July (date tba). I was extremely proud of how the children conducted themselves during the day. They encouraged each other and gave of their best. Not only are they super athletes but great ambassadors for the school !

Mr Husband



Year 2 Samba Workshop

On Monday, Year 2 had a taste of the Rio Carnival with a Samba Workshop by Big Beats. They learnt all about the Brazilian instruments played in the most famous carnival in the world! The children loved playing the agogô bells, tambour and especially the large bass drums! Class 6 even got to perform their carnival piece in assembly! It was very loud but very exciting!



Calendar 2016/2017

Summer Term

Swimming Y4

Y5 trip to Hindu Temple

Y6 Transition day

PTA Bingo Night

Sport's Day Y1—Y6

Sport's Day Nursery and Reception

Nursery pm Cake sale

Y5 Residential

Theme Week

Y6 to Penarth Literature Festival

Nursery closed for new starters to visit

Summer Fayre

Y5 Enterprise visit to Stanwell

New Reception Induction Meeting

Y3 trip to Porthcawl

Y2 Circus Workshop

Annual reports sent home

Reception trip to Barry Island

Y6 Leaver's assembly/BBQ

Y5/6 trip to Barry Island

Nursery Graduation

Last Day of Term

Monday 5th June—Friday 23rd June

Wednesday 14th June

Thursday 22nd June

Friday 23rd June

Wednesday 28th June

(KS2—9.30am/ Y1 and Y2—1.30pm)

Thursday 29th June

(Nursery am and Class 2—10am

Nursery pm and Class 1—2pm)

Friday 30th June

Friday 30th June—Sunday 2nd July

Monday 3rd July—Friday 7th July

Friday 7th July

Friday 7th July

Saturday 8th July

Monday 10th July

Tuesday 11th July 6.30pm

Thursday 13th July

Friday 14th July (TBC)

Friday 14th July

Tuesday 18th July

Wednesday 19th July

Thursday 20th July

Thursday 20th July

Friday 21st July

INSET Day

School opens to pupils

Monday 4th September 2017

Tuesday 5th September 2017

