

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

27th October 2017

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

It has been a very long half term but a very productive one. The children have covered a large amount of learning, which is why it is so important that, unless due to illness, children attend school every day. Below is a chart from Welsh Government which details the negative effects of missed learning time.

Thank you to all who attended the Spooky Disco—£567.86 was raised!

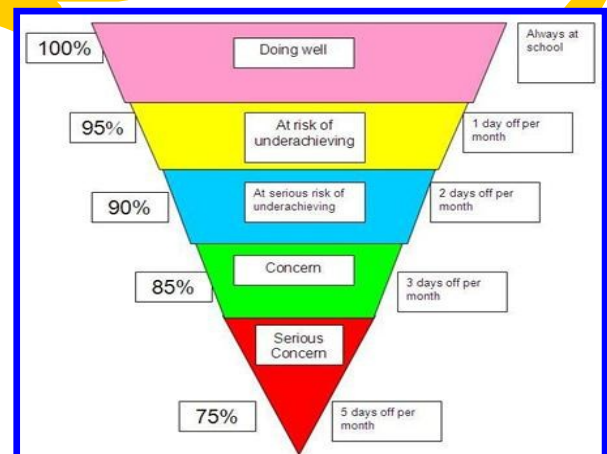
Have a lovely half term holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back on **MONDAY 6 NOVEMBER.**

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 95%. A special well done to Class 6K who had the highest attendance with 100%. WELL DONE!



Green	100%	Not missing any lessons.
	99%	Missing about 10 lesson.
	98%	Missing about 20 lessons.
	97%	Missing about 30 lessons.
Amber	96%	Missing about 8 days of school. It will be difficult to catch up on the lost learning from 40 lessons.
	95%	Missing about 2 weeks of school. Time to 'callio'.
	93%	Missing 14 days of school. This is almost three weeks which is a significant amount of education to lose.
Red	92% and below	Missing more than 3 weeks of education. A serious loss of learning which is likely to have a detrimental effect on achievement and life chances.



Star of the week for September 29th



Reception	Rosie Davis	Ellie Hughes	
Y1	Freddie Wood	Joel Todd	
Y2	Sophie Lerway	Archie Burnett	
Y3	Alicia Coombes	Ethan Hillman	Isabella Brook
Y4	Ruby Wood	Poppy King	
Y5	Jessica White	Violet Evans	
Y6	Coel Morgan	Naomi-Claire Lloyd-Latham	Caitlin Cox



Star of the week for October 27th



Reception	Tegan Stuart-Torrie	Oliver Ferries	
Y1	Seren Jinks	Tyler White	
Y2	Amira Saadi	Cameron Hills	
Y3	Haydn Lane	Maryam Miah	Kornelia Wachowicz
Y4	Max Barnett	Cerys Elston	Amelie Williams
Y5	Thomas Hazell	Lucy Bullock	Antonia Stechmen
Y6	Brady Larter	Rebecca Coggins	Max Hancock

Children In Need

Children in Need Day is fast approaching and people around the country will be participating in many activities to fundraise for this excellent charity. Due to an INSET day being held on this day, we will be hosting our fundraising day on Thursday 16th November. Year 5 and 6 children will be setting up their own stalls to sell a variety of treats, crafts and games - we are always amazed by their creativity and generosity and we are hoping that this will be our most successful fundraising year ever. Children from across the school are welcome to bring in pocket money on this day and each class will be given a time to visit the stalls with their class teacher. Please be aware that round pound coins will still be accepted by the charity.

We have also ordered some official merchandise which will be on sale during the week commencing Monday 13th November. Please find the Pudsey stall under the shelter at the end of the school day.

As a thanks to the children for their fundraising efforts, Thursday 16th November will also be a non-uniform day. The official theme for Children in Need is Spotacular so spotty clothes are welcome but not essential.

Family Learning Project

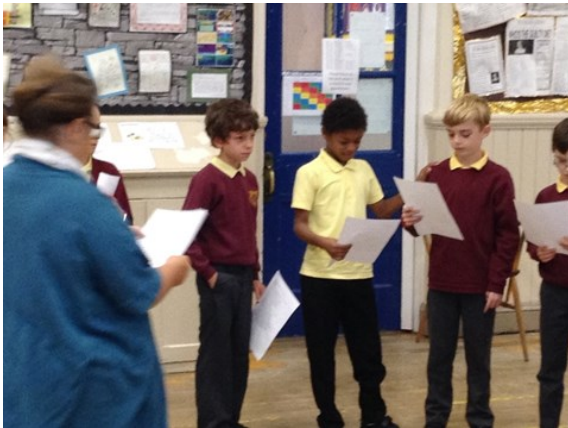
This week we have given the children an **optional** Family Learning Project to complete. The children have until Friday 24th November to return the project so that families who are busy over the half term break are given additional time to complete. If you wish to participate in the task, please note 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. The Curriculum Task Group will judge the projects during our theme week and award prizes to the winning families.



Year 5 Page2Stage Shakespeare Workshop

Last week, Year 5 were treated to a workshop by Page to Stage Wales, an innovative drama education company. Sarah Bawler, Serena Lewis and our very own Mrs Rebecca Price, who have all acted in variety of Shakespeare's plays, guided the children through how to rehearse, perform and feel the words of Shakespeare. The children enjoyed learning in a different way and have used this guidance to help them with their oracy performances this week. We are sure that some of our children are destined for a future on the stage.



Year 5 Llancaiach Fawr Visit

Year 5 visited Llancaiach Fawr on Friday 20th October to further their understanding of history. Here the children discovered what life was like for the people who lived and worked in the manor, they re-enacted a courtroom scene and learned how children's lives were different to theirs today. We'd like to thank the mum's who accompanied us on our trip; Brooke and Eryn's, Archie's and Lauren's. Additionally we would like to thank the PTA for funding our transport to the venue.



Notices

Twitter

Please follow our twitter feed @victoriapenarth to keep up to date with the great work that our children are doing. We hope to be updating as often as we can to celebrate our school.



Books Wanted

As many of you may know the school is working very hard to create a new library, for everyone to enjoy. To make the library that much better, we need some new books and would appreciate any donations of good quality fiction and non-fiction books. We will be extremely grateful for all donations.

Many thanks

*Hannah Jeffreys & Rebecca Coggins
School Council*



Town Mayor's Painting Competition

Theme: Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer in Penarth

It is that time of year again! There are 3 categories; Juniors, Infants and Nursery. If your child would like to enter please complete at home and send any entries into Mrs Young (Year3). Paintings need to be completed on A4 and sent in to school by the 9th November. Happy Painting!



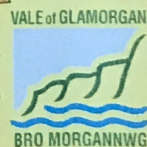
Bonfire Night

Hot Dog, Chips
and Baked Beans
in Tomato Sauce

Bonfire Cornflake
Crisp
Weds 8th Nov

*Please to remember the fifth of November
Gunpowder, treason and plot.
I see no reason, why gunpowder treason
Should ever be forgot.*

Vale Catering Services



Calendar 2017/2018

Autumn Term 2017

Half term break

Y4 to Big Pit

Bonfire Themed lunch

Y4 Cake sale

Anti-Bullying week

Children in need day

INSET—school closed to pupils

Y3 trip to Caerleon

Non-uniform tombola day

Whole school Theme Week (**costume needed**)

Christmas Fayre

Early Years Concert

Junior Concert

Infant Carol Service

Magic Show

Class Christmas Parties

Monday 30th Oct—Friday 3rd November

Tuesday 7th November

Wednesday 8th November

Friday 10th November

Mon 13th—Thurs 16th November

Thursday 16th November

Friday 17th November

Monday 20th November

Friday 24th November

Mon 27th Nov—Fri 1st Dec

Saturday 2nd December

Monday 4th December

Tues 5th Dec—Thurs 7th Dec (4pm, Stanwell)

Friday 8th December

Wednesday 20th December

Thursday 21st December

Christmas Holiday starts

Friday 22nd December

Spring Term starts

Monday 8th January

Welsh Government Tests

Weds 2nd May—Weds 9th May

INSET—school closed to pupils

Friday 25th May

INSET—school closed to pupils

Monday 23rd July

INSET—school closed to pupils

Tuesday 24th July