

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued support this term. It has been a very exciting and busy term and we are looking forward to working closely with you in the new year. I am particularly pleased to announce that 140 children have achieved 100% attendance this term!

On behalf of all the staff at Victoria, I would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a fantastic New Year.

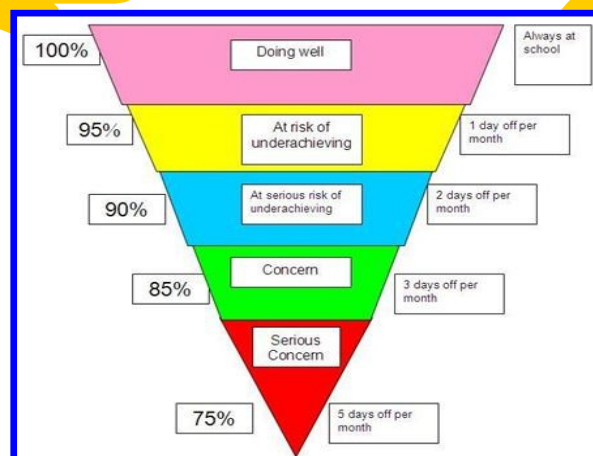
Have a lovely holiday and we look forward to welcoming the children back on **Monday 8th January 2018**.

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 96%. A special well done to Class 4FH who had the highest attendance with 100%. WELL DONE!



Congratulations to Meliden House

The children in Meliden house enjoyed a disco treat today as a reward for gaining the most star points this term. Well done Meliden, your house captains are very proud!



Welsh speaker of the term

Today, the children who had been recognised for their ability to speak incidental Welsh were awarded a certificate to thank them for their continued effort and enthusiasm. Well done children, we are very proud of you; wear your badge with pride!

Welsh speaker of the term Autumn 2017

Reception-

Dylan Brace
Magnus Harvey

Year 1

Ellie Weigel
Sebastian Khoshooee

Year 2

Luke Morgan
Xavi Swidenbank

Year 3

Seren Williams
Martha Moore
Alicia Coombes

Year 4

Ffion Davies
Martha Jones

Year 5

Mikey Todd
Mollie Hughes

Year 6

Will Ogden
Ellie Dyer
Iestyn Price-Turcaz



Star Point Winners

Today, the children with the most Star Points in each class were awarded a voucher and certificate to thank them for being such wonderful role models. Well done children, we are very proud of you; wear your badge with pride!

Star Point Winners Autumn 2017

Reception-

Lily Hopkins
Lara Evans

Year 1

Molly Smart
Luke Briody

Year 2

Isaac Hopkinson
Dylan Person

Year 3

Noah Gore
Emily Jones
Katy Penn

Year 4

Alex Hancock
Jacob Tan

Year 5

Lewis Watkins
Sarah Smithson

Year 6

Sama Osman
Elsie Marks
Jorja Sidford



Master Musician

Congratulations to Jacob Adams (5D) who has been chosen to play French horn with the National Children's Orchestra. We are very proud of you Jacob.



Victoria Primary e-safety Team Opportunity

We are looking for 3 parental volunteers to become part of our e-safety team. Your role will be to represent the voice of a parent in our meetings, to learn about current e-safety news and how we keep safe in our school. We will aim to meet no more than once a half term for a half hour meeting. If you think you would be interested in this, please let the office know. Mrs Davies in Year 5 will be in touch shortly with further information for you.



Cycling - Year 6

In January, Year 6 will have the opportunity to participate in a practical "On Road" National Standards cycle training course.

The course is designed to develop road sense, awareness of traffic dangers and to improve your child's ability to ride safely on the road.

If you wish your child to participate in this cycle training they will need a bicycle in a safe, roadworthy condition; it would be helpful if you could check the bicycle or take it to a cycle shop to be checked, to ensure that it is safe to use.

Please note that all children will also be required to wear an approved cycle helmet at all times throughout the training.



Pharaoh's Pantry Food Bank Donations

Together with some Year 6 children, we walked to The Tabernacle Church on Wednesday to deliver the donations you have so generously provided. They were very grateful to receive them and will now ensure that all of your donations will be given to the food bank who will distribute them to people in need.

Many thanks for your generosity, Mrs Frayne.



"Look how I've grown" campaign

The PTA are running a new campaign for used uniform called "Look how I've grown"

On Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday next week children are encouraged to bring in any school uniform they have outgrown that you are willing to donate. The clothes can be handed in to the class teachers who will then pass these on to the PTA. Many of you have kindly donated or bought school uniform from the second hand uniform shop for which we are very grateful. All proceeds from sold stock help the PTA fund school equipment and school trips for the children. Many thanks for your continued support



A safe journey to and from school

If you use the back gate to enter and exit the school, I am sure that you have noticed how potentially dangerous this route can be.

As a result, to ensure our pupils' safety, we have liaised with the Masonic Hall and have agreed to close the car park, at both drop off and pick up times, **as of January**. Green cones will be used to block the entrance to both sides of the lane, which will enable our children to leave the playground safely.

If parents refrain from parking on the corner of the road, then our children will be assured a safe journey to and from school.

Thank you for your continued support.



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.



Unwanted bikes

If we have any families with unwanted/outgrown bicycles for 5-6 year olds, that they no longer need, we would welcome them for our Reception outside area. Our bicycles are always popular and are used regularly to improve physical development, but many now need replacing. Any donations will be gratefully received.



Volunteer Needed

We are looking for a volunteer/ volunteers to carry out the role of lollipop person at the start and end of the school day, on Stanwell Road. The role could be shared or completed by an individual, and the hours would be 8.30—09.00 and 15.20—15.50. The volunteer would be issued with a uniform and given adequate training. Please contact the office if you are able to support us in making the school journey a safe one for our children.



Calendar 2017/2018

Spring Term starts

PC Emma Mudie Year 3 Workshop

RNLI in to visit Y6

Cake Sale (Y3 donations)

Y1 trip to Margam Park

Y5 trip to Techniquet

Y4 trip to Techniquet

Internet Safety Day

PTA band night

Cake Sale (Y2 donations)

Break up for half term

Eisteddfod

Cake Sale (Y1 donations)

Parent/teacher meeting

Parent/teacher meeting

PC Emma Mudie Year 4 Workshop

Film Night Y2/Y3

Sponsored Bounce

Theme week (book character costume needed)

Break up for Easter

Monday 8th January

Tuesday 9th January

Friday 12th January

Friday 12th January

Monday 15th January

Friday 26th January

Wednesday 7th February

Wednesday 7th February

Friday 9th February

Friday 9th February

Friday 16th February

Thursday 1st March

Friday 2nd March

Monday 5th March

Wednesday 7th March

Wednesday 7th March

Friday 19th March

Friday 23rd March

Mon 26th to Thurs 29th March

Thursday 29th March

Summer term starts

Monday 16th April

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

