

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Dear Parents,

This term appears to be flying by and there are lots of events planned. Please check the calendar page weekly so that you are kept fully informed.

This week the Curriculum Task Group met to discuss the upcoming theme week. As part of the celebrations of our Once upon a time theme, children will be invited to come to school dressed as a favourite book character. The children are also hoping to invite parents in to participate in some family art work. More details will follow in future newsletters.

A reminder that the school website address is <https://hwbpluse.wales.gov.uk/en/6732138/Pages/home.aspx>

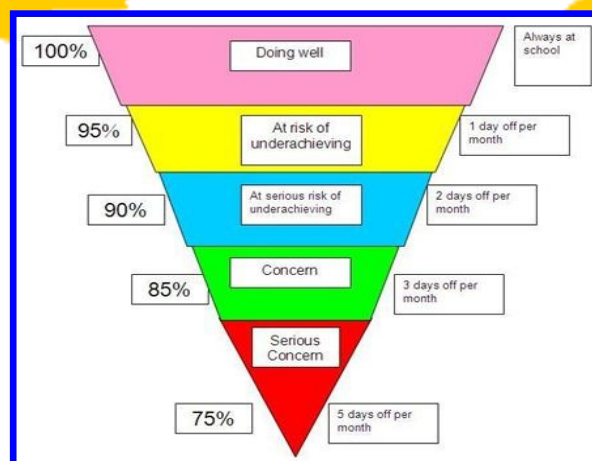
Have a lovely weekend

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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 95%. A special well done to Class 20 and who had the highest attendance with 98.5%.
WELL DONE!



STAR OF THE WEEK



Reception Austyn Jones

Y1 Grace Alexander

Y2 Osian Williams

Y3 Zach Wildin

Max Weston

Y4 James Llewellyn

Y5 Poppy Afia

Y6 Noah Burns

Tom Macphail

Jake Irish

Gabriel Brooks

Cian Mclean

Huw Steele

Oliver Brown

Mollie Hughes

Joshua King

Martha Moore

Dylan Watts

Sofia Roberts

Just to get you thinking...



The following are ways to encourage your child, regardless of age and ability, to think for themselves and to make connections with what they already know (There is no need to write anything down!)

With your child discuss:

Ways you travel. What makes them happy. Ways to hold things together.

Our word of the week is: 'tremendous'

Can you spell it? How many new words can you make from it? Can you use it in a sentence?

A message from the Road Safety Team



Thank you to all of the parents/guardians who have refrained from parking in the car park at the rear of the school. This has made the walk into and from school much safer for the children and parents of Victoria School.

Road Safety Crew

Success for the Netball Team

Congratulations to the Year 6 netball team who competed in last week's tournament at Penarth Leisure Centre. The children won 2 out of 3 games with accurate shooting from both Rebecca Coggins (GA) and Ifan Owens (GS) as well as excellent defending from the rest of the team. The children showed fantastic sportsmanship and were great at encouraging each other.

Da iawn pawb, Miss Green and Mrs Barnett are very proud of your first match of the year.



PTA News

HOW THE PTA MONEY IS USED

You can guarantee that all of the money raised by the PTA (on average £13k a year) is used to benefit children right across the school and create memories that will last a lifetime. The staff request where the money is spent - but do you know how the money has been used so far this year?

VISITS & VISITORS £5200

Money is allocated to each class allowing the staff to bring in visitors and workshops, or to subsidise school trips & add additional activities whilst off site.

Even if children haven't gone off site they will have enjoyed workshops brought into school paid for by this fund



TEXTING SERVICE £1450

Did you know that the texts that we all rely on to remind us about the busy school calendar don't come free. This system is paid for using the PTA funds allowing unlimited texts and the ability to text the whole school, classes or individuals

YEAR 3 & 4 MUSIC LESSONS £3600

Every child in year 3 & 4 is given the chance to learn a musical instrument, (Year 3 Recorder, Year 4 Ukulele) which studies show not only has a dramatic effect on children's abilities in maths and reading but can also increase happiness!



LIBRARY REFURBISHMENT £1000

This year the library has been relocated to a former class room on the ground floor of the junior building. Funds from the PTA allowed the school to purchase additional shelving & seating making the library a comfortable and enticing place for the children

HOW YOU CAN HELP?

Please continue to help us in anyway you can - donations of items, time, attending events, match funding - everything adds up!

**Don't forget the next event
Band Night - 9 February 2018!**



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT**

Please support the Winter Band Night featuring The Woods on Friday 9th February.

The event will be held at Stanwell Baptist Church fro 19:30—23:00



Calendar 2017/2018

Spring Term

Y4 trip to Techniquet
Internet Safety Day
PTA band night
Cake Sale (Y2 donations)
Y2 trip to Bryngarw

Weds 7th February
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Friday 9th February
Friday 9th February
Weds 14th February

Break up for half term

Friday 16th February

Eisteddfod
Cake Sale (Y1 donations)
Parent/teacher meeting
CATS protection to visit Y2
Parent/teacher meeting
PC Emma Mudie Year 4 Workshop
Mother's Day Secret Room
Y6 visit to lifeboat station
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Sponsored Bounce
Theme week (book character costume needed)

Thursday 1st March
Friday 2nd March
Monday 5th March
Tuesday 6th March
Wednesday 7th March
Wednesday 7th March
Thurs 8th—Fri 9th March
Tuesday 13th March
Wednesday 14th March
Friday 23rd March
Mon 26th - Thurs 29th March

Break up for Easter

Thursday 29th March

Summer term starts

Y6 to Magistrates Court
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Cake sale (Reception donations)
PC Emma Mudie Year 1 Workshop
Cake sale (Nursery am donations)
PTA Family Fun Run
Welsh Government Tests
Y6 residential
INSET—school closed to pupils

Monday 16th April
Wednesday 18th April
Thursday 19th April
Friday 20th April
Monday 30th April
Friday 11th May
Saturday 12th May
Weds 2nd May—Weds 9th May
Mon 14th May—Fri 18th May
Friday 25th May

Break up for half term

Friday 25th May

Y4 swimming
PC Emma Mudie Year 5 Workshop
Father's Day Secret Room
Cake sale (Nursery pm donations)
PC Emma Mudie Year 2 Workshop
Y5 residential to Llangranog
Own clothes day (tombola donation)
Summer Fayre
Y5 enterprise morning
End of year reports out

Mon 4th June—Fri 22nd June
Wednesday 6th June
Thurs 14th—Fri 15th June
Friday 22nd June
Wednesday 27th June
Fri 29th June—Sun 1st July
Tuesday 3rd July
Saturday 7th July
Monday 9th July
Friday 13th July

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Monday 23rd July

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Tuesday 24th July