

VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Together we aim for the stars"

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HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS THIS WEEK

Annwyl Parents/Carers
Happy New School Year

A warm welcome back to all our pupils and families. We hope that after the very long break, the children are well rested and ready to work hard and achieve their very best this academic year. I am so incredibly proud of our children and the way they have embraced school life this week. Well done all!

At this time of year we like to remind parents and carers of their responsibility to ensure that their children regularly attend school. All absences need to be authorised, so please make sure that you contact the school office if your child is not going to be in school due to illness. We no longer authorise families to take holidays during term time, however, in exceptional circumstances, request for leave forms are available from the school office.

We would politely request that all non-emergency appointments are made after school or during holidays. As part of the Vale 'Miss school Miss out', campaign our school target for attendance is 95%.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to working with you this school year.
Have a lovely weekend.

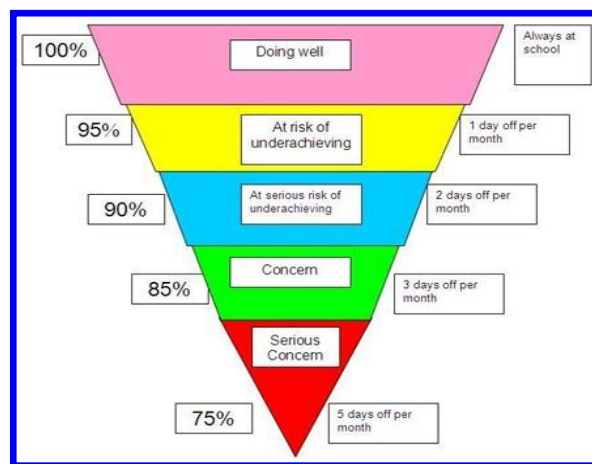
Mrs Davies

PRESENTOLDEB

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 97.9%. A special well done to Class RKSD, 1M, 2P, 3S, 4O, 6J who had the highest attendance with 100%.

WELL DONE!



Safeguarding Concerns

As a school we have been using a system called My Concern to record and report all our safeguarding and bullying concerns which helps bring all the information together in one place and makes managing and investigating issues much easier. We now use the parent aspect of this system which will improve the communication and response to concerns you report. The form will be sent directly to the school safeguarding leads.

Moving forward we request that if you have a safeguarding or bullying concern about a child in our school, you report it via My Voice. The link and QR code below will take you to a form to complete:

<https://form.thesafeguardingcompany.com/32f6fbc9-983a-42ee-a009-bb7d4baede8d>



School Vision and Aims

School Vision

Our vision is to provide a **nurturing** and **inclusive** environment that facilitates a love of learning. By working together, we strive to foster happy, respectful relationships among all members of our community, equipping our children with the **resilience** needed to embrace challenges and **safely** navigate their futures.

Aims

Our school community is dedicated to fostering an **inclusive** environment where every individual is encouraged to **thrive** in their learning journey.

We will foster an environment where the school community actively supports our initiatives, and the Governors provide essential guidance. **Together**, we strive to cultivate continuous improvement on our educational journey.

As global citizens, we are committed to valuing our community and the wider world, fostering an ethos of **care and responsibility**, and actively contributing to a sustainable future that ensures the **wellbeing** of future generations.

We will provide all pupils with a **varied** and **inclusive** curriculum that is both **challenging** and **engaging**, fostering an environment that motivates the development of purposeful skills essential for lifelong learning and personal growth.

We will foster an **inclusive** community that **cares** for one another, respecting diverse views and celebrating individual achievements. We will create a **safe** environment where every member feels **valued** and **empowered** to flourish.



Uniform

It has been wonderful to see the children arrive for school dressed so smartly and showing that they are ready to learn. Thank you for your support in this.

A quick reminder of the following, after our long summer break:

- Jewellery—one watch (not a smart watch) and one pair of stud earrings.
- Smart black shoes (not black trainers, other than on PE days).
- Tattoos, make up and nail varnish are for **weekends and holidays only**.
- Hair tied back for safety.
- PE days—plain white t-shirt, plain black leggings, shorts or jogging bottoms.



Invitation to Volunteer to Read with Children

Reading is a vital skill that enhances life chances, and we are keen to build on the excellent work already taking place in our school. Research shows that reading for 15 minutes a day improves fluency, engagement and the ability to access the wider curriculum. With this in mind, we are looking for volunteers who would like to make a difference to the reading experience of our children, many of whom do not read outside of the school setting.

We would warmly welcome adult and young people volunteers who are able to give their time on a regular basis to listen to children read. Supporting children in this way can have a powerful impact. A calm, encouraging reading partner can help build confidence, develop enjoyment and give children the extra practice they need to flourish.

Any amount of volunteered time is welcome, whether that is a short weekly slot or a little more when available. We understand that everyone has different commitments, and even a small contribution can make a meaningful difference. You do not need to have any special experience, as full training in the Better Reading Support Partners (BRSP) programme will be provided. This will ensure that all volunteers feel well prepared and supported in their role.

If you enjoy reading and would like to help children grow in confidence, we would be delighted to hear from you. By giving a little of your time, you can help open doors for our learners and support them to become stronger, more motivated readers.

Please contact Samantha Davies, headteacher of Victoria Primary School, if you are interested in volunteering or would like further information. The contact email is office@victoriaprimarieschool.com

We look forward to hearing from you.

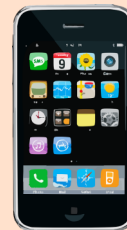


Notices

Safeguarding

We would like to respectfully remind you that, due to safeguarding reasons and in line with school policy, no mobile phones are to be used on the school premises and playground.

Thank you for your support.



Healthy Snacks

All children in Key Stage 2 are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack for breaktime. As a nut free school, children are not permitted to bring in any nut based products.

We also request **ALL** children bring in a water bottle each day. Thank you.

Change of details

We would be grateful if you could please inform the school of any family updates that may affect your child, for example changes to contact details or medical care. Important information like this helps us stay in touch and provide the right support. You can do this by logging on to Arbor and inputting the changes yourself or, alternatively, contacting the school office. Thank you for keeping us up to date and for working with us to keep your child safe and well.

Calendr 2025/2026

Meet the teacher Y6
Meet the teacher Y5
Meet the teacher Y1
Meet the teacher Y4
Meet the teacher Y3
Meet the teacher Y2
Y2 Castle trip
Y3/Y6 Chance Encounters
Y6 visit to Stanwell
Y4 trip to Caerleon
Y1 Dinomania experience
Nasal Flu immunisation
Y5 trip to WMC
Y6 trip to Swansea Theatre
Individual school photographs
Y3 to St.Fagans
Stanwell open day
Show racism the red card (wear red)
Parent/carers consultation week
Harvest Festival
Children in need day
Anti-bullying week
Winter Fayre
Whole school Theatre experience
Class Christmas Party
Last day of Autumn Term

INSET—school closed to pupils

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Y5 residential
Y6 residential

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Mon 7th September 2:45pm
Mon 7th September 2:15pm
Weds 9th September 1 pm
Weds 9th September 2:45pm
Thurs 10th September 2:45pm
Fri 11th September 2:45pm
Thursday 17th September
Thursday 17th September
Tuesday 22nd September am
Wednesday 23rd September
Thursday 24th September
Friday 25th September
Wednesday 30th September
Thursday 1st October
Friday 2nd October
Tuesday 6th October
Thursday 8th October 3-6pm
Friday 16th October
w/b Mon 19th October
Weds 21st October
Friday 13th November
w/b Monday 16th November
Weds 25th November 3:45pm
Mon 14th December
Thursday 17th December
Friday 18th December

Monday 4th January

Friday 5th February

Friday 30th April

Weds 5th—Fri 7th May
Mon 10th—Thurs 13th May

Monday 19th July
Tuesday 20th July