



Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term

Friday, 18th October 2019

Diary Dates

22nd October

English language course
1—3pm

23rd October

PTA Pumpkin Party
3-4pm in the
playground.

24th October

Last day of term

31st October

Closing date for
applications to transfer
to secondary school in
September 2020.

4th November

Return to school

21st November

Individual photographs

25th and 28th November

Parent Consultations.

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The last seven weeks have flown by and here we are with just 4 days left of the first term.

Next term we will again be supporting the British Legion Poppy Appeal and will have a variety of small items for sale, as well as the paper poppies.



These items include:

- **snap bands** - suggested donation of £1.50,
- **friendship bracelets** - suggested donation of £1.00,
- **key ring reflectors** - suggested donation of 50p and
- **zip pulls** - suggested donation of 50p

Parent Evenings

Starting this year, we will be using **Parent Evening Manager** via ParentMail to book in parent consultations. All appointments need to be booked online, so it is really important to register with **ParentMail** if you do not already have an account.

Registering with ParentMail is very easy! Over the next few days you will be sent either an email and/or a text message from ParentMail—when you received this, just follow the instructions in the message. A letter will be coming home with more information.

Time slots will be made available for you to book from 4th November 2019 at 5pm. For help using Parent Evening Manager use the link below:

<https://www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/applications/parent-evening-manager/>

Gritters! Northamptonshire County Council have bought 10 new gritters and have asked schools in the county to name them! If one of our names is chosen, the gritter will visit the school.

Each class has come up with their idea of a good name for a gritter! These are:-

Icicle, Chilly, Gritter Salter, Captain Ice Destroyer, Jack Frost, Happy Feet, Flamethrower, The Winter Van, Rocky, Ice Baby, Ice Killer, The Ice King, Captain Snowmerica, Ariana Snode (as in Ariana Grande).

Let's hope we don't need a gritter any time soon!

Keep warm this weekend

H. Scargill

Principal



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Teacher	Class	%
Miss Holmes	RA	91.3
Miss Gent	RB	94.0
Mrs Camozzi/Mrs Hill	1A	95.7
Mrs Quenby	1B	100
Mrs Giles	2A	95.7
Mr. Tyson	2B	94.0
Miss Williams	3A	95.2
Miss Cooper/Mrs Spencer	3B	98.6
Mrs Embling	4A	97.3
Miss Lees-Collier	4B	97.7
Miss Goodman	5A	96.3
Mr. Wolfe	5B	95.3
Miss Costanzo	6A	99.3
Mrs Wall	6B	98.3

KEY STAGE 1		
★	1st place	Class 1B
★	2nd place	Class -
★	3rd place	Class -
KEY STAGE 2		
★	1st place	Class 6A
★	2nd place	Class 3B
★	=2nd place	Class 6B

WHOLE SCHOOL
WEEKLY AVERAGE

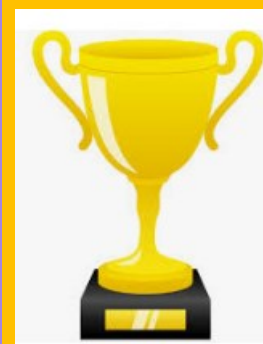
96.3%



HOUSE POINTS

House	Class	Points
Artists	RA, RB	1697
Musicians	1A, 1B, 2A	938
Explorers	2A, 3A, 3B	1699
Scientists	4A, 4B, 6B	1751 ★
Inventors	5A, 5B, 6A	1432

This week's
house point
winners



Scientists
Stunning!

Absence

If your child is not able to attend school, please telephone to let us know by 9.00am each morning of absence.

01933 223323

Medicines

Medicines prescribed by a doctor can be administered at school by a member of staff. The label with the child's name and dosage instructions must be intact and legible. An adult must bring in and collect the medication from the office.



Being late for school reduces learning time.

Please make sure your children are in school, on time, every day.

8.40am	There is staff supervision on the playground from this time. Please do not leave your child unattended until then.
8.45am	Whistle blows! Children come inside and go to their classroom. GATE CLOSES
8.50am	Registers are taken in the classroom
8.55am	Children move to their first lesson.

LATE REGISTER

MONDAY	17
TUESDAY	14
WEDNESDAY	14
THURSDAY	19
FRIDAY	18
= 6 hours lost learning	

Children who arrive late:

- ♦ miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons
- ♦ are often unsettled and confused about tasks
- ♦ disrupt the rest of the group.

It is very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young.

You should be aware that high levels of poor punctuality will now result in a referral to the Educational Entitlement Service which has a duty to investigate further. 10 or more incidents of late arrival at school could result in a fixed penalty fine of £120 or legal action being taken against you.

Children should be in the playground by 8.45am, so if they are signing in late at 8.50 for example, they are already 5 minutes late, and still have to get to class, hang up their coats and get prepared for their lesson. They will have missed registration and will be disturbing their classmates.

If each late mark = an average of 5 minutes late per child, there is a total of 6 hours of lost learning time across the school this week.

Please make every effort to get to school on time.

You can be **fined for taking your child on holiday during term time, or if your child has a number of unauthorised absences.**

Schools have to inform the local authority of any pupils who are regularly absent from school, have irregular attendance, or have missed 5 school days or more without the school's permission.

Schools are also under a **safeguarding duty**, to investigate and report any unexplained absences.

Fine - Your local council can give you a **fine of £60**, which rises to £120 if you don't pay within 21 days. If you don't pay the fine after 28 days you may be prosecuted for your child's absence from school.

Prosecution - You could get a fine of up to **£2,500**, a community order or a jail sentence up to 3 months. The court also gives you a Parenting Order. This means you have to go to parenting classes. You'll also have to do what the court says to improve your child's school attendance.

FANTASTIC VICTASTIC AWARDS

Mrs Holmes	RA	Rosie Cooper for her amazing writing this week in phonics, trying really hard to hear all of the sounds in words independently. David Iordache for his fantastic contributions during class discussions this week about how we have changed since we were born.
Miss Gent	RB	Kiara Fernando for an amazing first week with us in RB, settling in well and amazing us with her independent writing of words! Superstar Kiara! David Mosneagu for his amazing attitude to learning, especially in phonics, always trying his best and for his thoughtful contributions at carpet time! Well done David M!
Mrs Camozzi/Mrs Hill	1A	Hudhayfah Ali for super writing about his favourite toy. Axel-Henry Adjei for working really hard in maths this week when learning about part whole models.
Mrs Quenby	1B	Julia Piech for her brilliant work in maths with using part whole models. Janis Kaveckis for his perseverance and really trying his hardest during lessons.
Mrs Giles	2A	Ethan Harvey for amazing independent maths work. Kiara Patel for fantastic effort in all lessons and resilience learning new skills!
Mr. Tyson	2B	Charmaine Lambert for demonstrating a positive attitude towards learning and always trying her best. Luana Aires for being a great model and always working hard in Maths
Miss Williams	3A	Dihen Fernando for settling into our class so beautifully, we are very happy and proud to have Dihen with us. Lucia Puntrello for using excellent strategies to help her calculate in mathematics.
Miss Cooper Mrs Spencer	3B	Ruby Maple for showing determination in Maths and developing her independence. Piotr Wojciechowski for using beautiful description in his writing and taking care with his presentation.
Mrs Embling	4A	Summa Avery for superb effort in swimming. Ksawery Sitko for working hard to complete his writing in the lesson.
Miss Lees-Collier	4B	Julia Plewa for taking pride in her information text and producing beautiful work. Aayan Elahi for working hard and challenging himself when subtracting two four digit numbers.
Miss Goodman	5A	Safa Fatima Ali for consistently making efforts to use fantastic presentation in her work. Gabriel Cooper for focusing hard on drafting and editing a set of instructions.
Mr. Wolfe	5B	Roxie-May Hendry for always demonstrating her Victoria Values in everything she does. Junior Howell for always trying his best across all of his lessons.
Miss Costanzo	6A	Alfie Lambert for an improved positive attitude to learning. Liam Brown for settling in really well to his new class and school.
Mrs Wall	6B	Hanan Syed and Renayah Blackwell for always working hard and demonstrating Victoria Values.



Fabulous Prizes!

Guess the name of the guy

Goody bags

Cakes (donations gratefully received).

DON'T MISS THE FUN!



VPA PTA

Come and join our
PUMPKIN PARTY

Straight after school at
3pm – 4pm

on
Wednesday 23rd October

All proceeds go to resources for the children

Pumpkin Decorating Competition



Bring your decorated pumpkin to school on
Wednesday 23rd October for judging.

Paint it, Carve it, Chuck glitter all over it.... The possibilities are endless!

Entries will be on display during the
Pumpkin Party.

All entrants will earn a
mini-bug for their collection and
the winning entry will receive a
fabulous hamper full of goodies.

Only
50p entry!



As always, we would be very grateful for donations of cakes and biscuits to sell at our Pumpkin Party or any offers to help on the day.

Every penny we make goes towards supporting the school and children with additional resources.

We are currently donating funds to buy new games for indoor play times.

At this time of year the children may have to stay indoors during play times and lunch times if it's raining outside.

Please bring your donations to the school office on Tuesday or Wednesday next week.

Thank you!

Healthier lunchbox recipes

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>



Spicy chicken and salad wrap recipe

Wraps are a popular alternative to sandwiches. Complete your child's lunchbox with some homemade popcorn and fresh fruit.

Method



Ingredients

1 tbsp low-fat Greek style yoghurt

¼ tsp of curry powder, to taste

Large pinch of chilli powder, to taste

85g cooked chicken breast, chopped into small pieces

1 large wholemeal wrap

Small wedge of lettuce, to give 2 tbsp when shredded

3 slices of cucumber, chopped

1 slice of pepper, chopped

- 1 Mix the **yoghurt** and **spices** to taste and add the **chicken**.

This is a great way to use leftover roast chicken.

- 2 Spread the chicken mixture on the **wrap**, then sprinkle on the **lettuce**, **cucumber** and **pepper**.

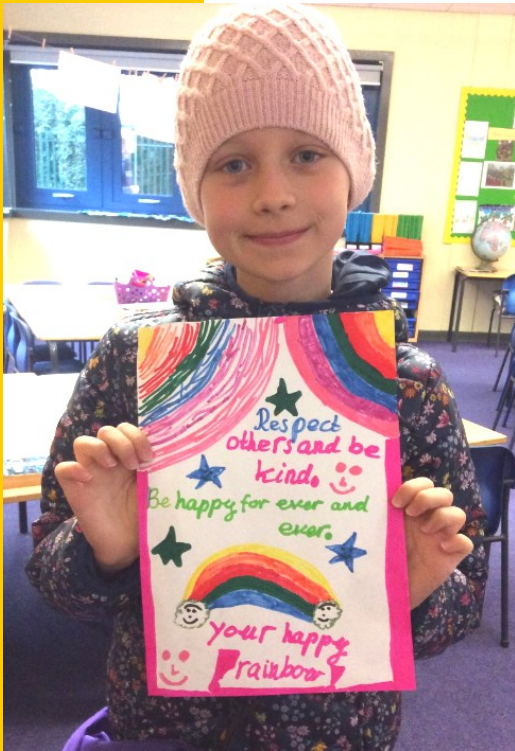
Try other salad vegetables – grated carrot and chopped celery work well, too.

- 3 Fold opposite edges of the wrap, to keep the filling in, then roll up and cut in half.

DIY lunches

Wraps and pots of fillings can be more exciting for kids when they get to put them together. Dipping foods are also fun and make a change from a sandwich each day.





A beautiful poster by Maja to brighten up 4B's classroom.

Too quick to be captured on camera!



We have been working together in our sponsored PE session to raise money for the NSPCC



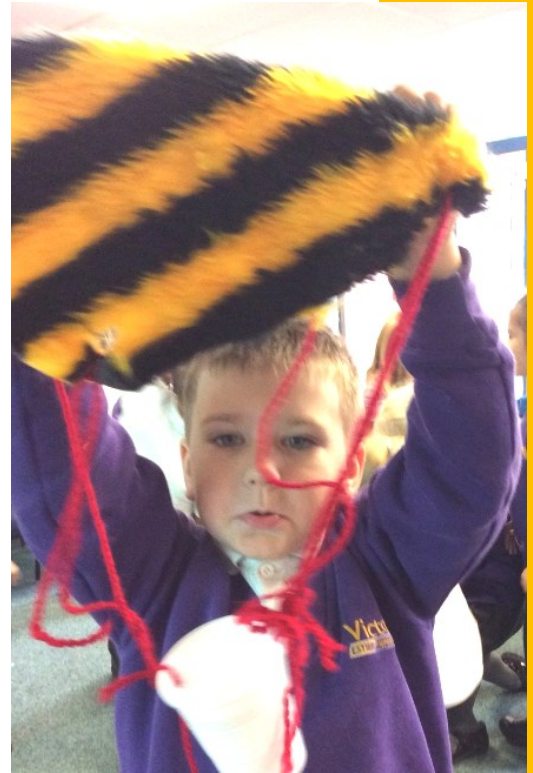
We have reached our goal!!! Great work everyone. 300 stickers = 1 full chart! We will continue on to chart number 2, so please keep collecting!



I hope after using the grammar working wall 6B use colons and semi colons in their purple books today ??



In our Year 1 topic toys, we have read Old Bear and considered what materials would work best to make a parachute for Old Bear.



In RB, this week we have been trying really hard practicing our words and initial sounds!

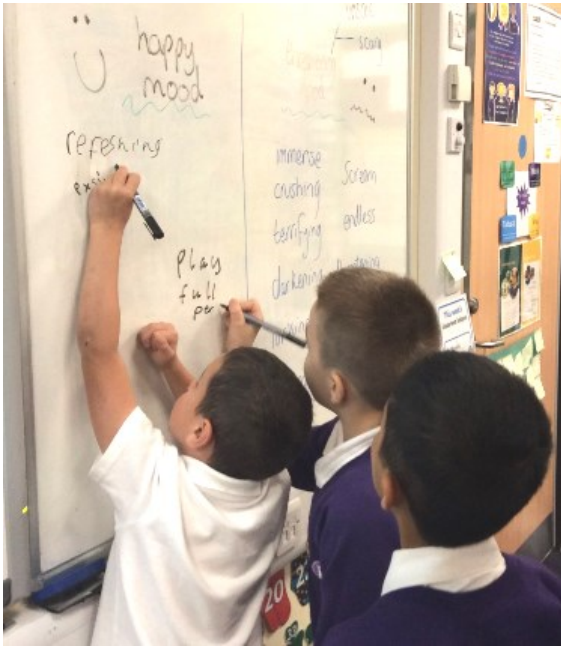
This week in RA we have been using different shapes to make pictures!



Year 4 has made a great start on our Viking shield's.



In class 3B we have been collecting vocabulary to use in our beautiful writing.



We have extended our learning using part whole models in year 1 this week, by having 3 parts .



Class 3A are enjoying creating self-portraits for The BIG Draw. We are also



A sad farewell



We are all very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Mahay at the end of this term. Mrs Mahay has worked with our children for many years as part of our Inclusion team and is well known to our families and the local community.

Mrs Mahay is off to pastures new and will be undertaking a new challenge, still working with children and families, with Northamptonshire County Council.

Mrs Mahay has played a vital role as part of the Victoria family and we will all miss her terribly, but wish her every success in her new adventures.

Change to published Training Days

Victoria Primary has been given the opportunity of a full day's training for all classroom based, inclusion and office staff on emotion coaching. We feel this is an approach that will enable us to support our pupils further.

Emotion Coaching is a technique that teaches children to understand their emotions and how to react to them in a positive way. It uses moments of heightened emotion and resulting behaviour to guide and teach them about more effective responses. It works on establishing good, emotionally supportive relationships between all adults and children that then give a context to help children understand their emotions.

The training will be led by our link Educational Psychologist, Craig Allen, who has worked with us at Victoria for over a year.

Unfortunately, there is no availability for any of our remaining training days this academic year, and so, in order to carry out this training, we have had to move one of the published training days.

This means:-

6th of January 2020 is now a teacher training day, i.e. children will not be required to attend school.

3rd of April 2020 is now a normal teaching day, i.e. children will be required to attend school.

You can find a new list of term dates on page 12.

EARRINGS IN SCHOOL

We are no longer allowed to tape over earrings for P.E. lessons – earrings must be removed.

We strongly recommend that pupils leave their earrings at home on P.E./swimming days.

If they forget to leave their earrings at home, they will be asked to remove them (as staff are not allowed to remove earrings) and we will not be responsible if earrings go missing.

With younger children, it is vital that Parent/Carers take full responsibility for the removal of the earrings at home.

A few reminders whilst on the subject of earrings:

- * **Pupils should only be wearing 1 small stud earring in each ear – no hoops or dangly earrings – they are totally inappropriate for school for H&S reasons.**
- * **We strongly recommend that earrings of any value are not worn in school either.**
- * **If you are considering getting your child's ears pierced, the most appropriate time would be the beginning of the summer holidays.**



Rob Hardcastle CEO with student representatives from each Trust Academy, Sir Christopher Hatton Academy, Victoria Primary Academy, Oakway Academy and Ecton Village Primary Academy.

The Board of Directors of Hatton Academies Trust chose former Northamptonshire headteacher Mr Rob Hardcastle as the trust's new CEO.

William Thallon, chair of the board of directors, said: "As those who have worked with him will know, Mr Hardcastle is a principled leader with strong values, completely dedicated to the quality of education and care for young people. "This is an excellent appointment for everyone associated with the trust."

Mr Hardcastle is no stranger to the trust having served as acting chief executive for the past few months and as head of primary education since 2017.

Prior to that, he had worked in county primary schools as a class teacher, year coordinator, subject coordinator, advanced skills teacher, deputy headteacher and headteacher.

Mr Hardcastle said: "I am exceptionally proud to be have been appointed as chief executive officer leading such a forward thinking and successful organisation as Hatton Academies Trust.

"Over the last three years I have had the pleasure of working alongside dedicated and professional colleagues, as well as ambitious children who have a thirst for knowledge.

"As CEO, I am determined to secure the very best life chances for all of our children and hold their best interest at the heart of every decision I make."



Newly appointed Hatton Academies Trust CEO
Rob Hardcastle

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
Telegraph



TERM DATES

ACADEMIC YEAR 2019 – 2020

Term 1	Teacher Training Day Academy Re-opens Academy closes Teacher Training Day	Monday 2nd September Tuesday 3 rd September Thursday 24 th October Friday 25th October
Term 2	Academy Re-opens Academy closes	Monday 4 th November Friday 20 th December
Term 3	Teacher Training Day Teacher Training Day Academy re-opens Academy closes	Friday 3rd January Monday 6th January Tuesday 7 th January Friday 14 th February
Term 4	Academy Re-opens Academy closes	Monday 24 th February Friday 3 rd April
Term 5	Academy Re-opens Academy closed (Bank Holiday) Academy closes Teacher Training Day	Monday 20 th April Friday 8 th May Thursday 21 st May Friday 22nd May
Term 6	Academy Re-opens Academy closes	Monday 1 st June Friday 17 th July

Parents and Carers, please come in to school and join us for your child's class assembly!

Tuesday	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
Class assemblies	10.00am	10.15am
Autumn Term		
24th September 2019	Class 2A	Class 6A
8th October 2019		Class 3A
19th November 2019		Class 6B
Spring Term		
28th January 2020	Class 1A	
4th February 2020	Class RA	
3rd March 2020	Class RB	
10th March 2020	Class 2B	Class 5A
Summer Term		
28th April 2020		Class 4B
5th May 2020		Class 3B
23rd June 2020		Class 5B
30th June 2020	Class 1B	Class 4B

PE Timetable—2019/20

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hall	Year 2	Year 3	Year 1	Year 5	Year 6
MUGA	Year 2	Year 5	Year 6	Year 1	Year 3
Swimming	-	Year 4	-	-	-

Please make sure that your child has their full kit in school on the days they are scheduled to do PE.

It is a good idea for children to bring PE kit to school on Mondays and leave it in their classrooms until Friday, when they may take it home to be washed, bringing it back again on the Monday.

Year 4 children must bring in their swimming costume and towel every Tuesday morning until the Easter break.
Thank you.