



Victoria Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

Issue 12

Autumn Term

Friday, 6th December 2019

Diary Dates

12th December

6.30pm start

Hatton Christmas

Concert

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13th December

Christmas Jumper Day

17th December

Dolce Christmas Lunch

18th December

Special
visitors from
the North
Pole



20th December

Last day of term

TUESDAY 7TH JANUARY

Return to school

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We are so proud of our Reception children who have put on three fabulous performances of "Pete the Cat Saves Christmas" this week.

The whole school enjoyed watching the dress rehearsal on Monday and then families and friends were treated to performances on Tuesday and Wednesday.

You were all amazing! Well done to everyone involved!



Our fabulous tree has arrived and has been decorated with lights, garlands and trimmings that the children have made. It looks amazing as usual.

We have really enjoyed listening to the children singing around the tree as their decorations are put on.

If you would like a closer look at the tree in all its glory, please feel free to come in at the end of the day and take a photograph with your child.



Christmas card competition

We have extended the deadline for the competition to design the front of this year's Victoria Christmas card.

There are prizes for the winner from key stage 1 and the winner from key stage 2 and also for runners up in each category, so get your creative minds busy and submit your entries by Wednesday 11th December please!

PTA values bugs will be awarded to all entries. See inside for details.

Have a lovely weekend.

H. Scargill

Principal

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Teacher	Class	%
Miss Holmes	RA	96.6
Miss Gent	RB	95.3
Mrs. Camozzi/Mrs. Hill	1A	91.8
Mrs. Quenby	1B	87.9
Mrs. Giles	2A	88.7
Mr. Tyson	2B	85.0
Miss Williams	3A	96.6
Miss Cooper/Mrs. Spencer	3B	94.0
Mrs. Embling	4A	91.3
Miss Lees-Collier	4B	94.5
Miss Goodman	5A	95.3
Mr. Wolfe	5B	91.3
Miss Costanzo	6A	87.3
Mrs. Wall	6B	87.3

KEY STAGE 1		
★	1st place	Class RA
★	2nd place	Class -
★	3rd place	Class -
KEY STAGE 2		
★	1st place	Class 3A
★	2nd place	Class -
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WHOLE SCHOOL
WEEKLY AVERAGE

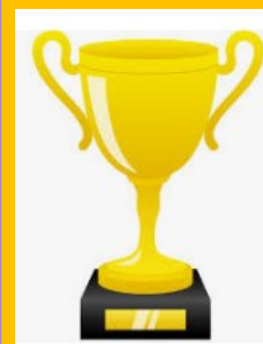
91.6%



HOUSE POINTS

House	Class	Points
Artists	RA, RB	2890
Musicians	1A, 1B, 2A	2642
Explorers	2B, 3A, 3B	2824
Scientists	4A, 4B, 6B	2946 ★
Inventors	5A, 5B, 6A	2831

This week's
house point
winners



Scientists
Super!

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.

The winter weather is here to stay for the next few months. Please allow extra time for your journey to school, so that you are in the school playground by 8.45am.

Do I need to keep my child off school?

HSC Public Health Agency

Chicken Pox Until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies Until after first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu Until recovered	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		

Taking children on holiday during term time

Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence (holiday) during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Any applications for leave of absence must be in exceptional circumstances and the Head Teacher must be satisfied that the circumstances warrant the granting of leave.

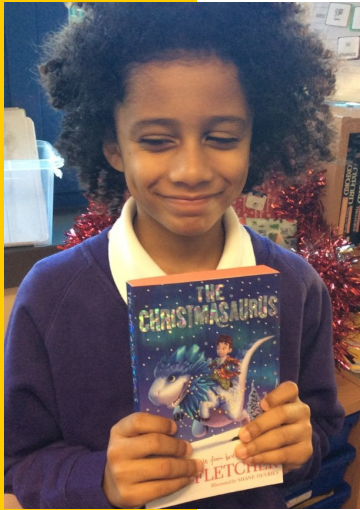
Should a parent/carer decide to take a holiday during term time they must apply in writing to the school explaining the exceptional circumstances for the leave of absence.

If the holiday goes ahead after the application has been declined the absence will be recorded as unauthorised and the school will decide if a **Fixed Penalty Notice** should be issued and will inform the Local Authority who will then issue the notice on their behalf.

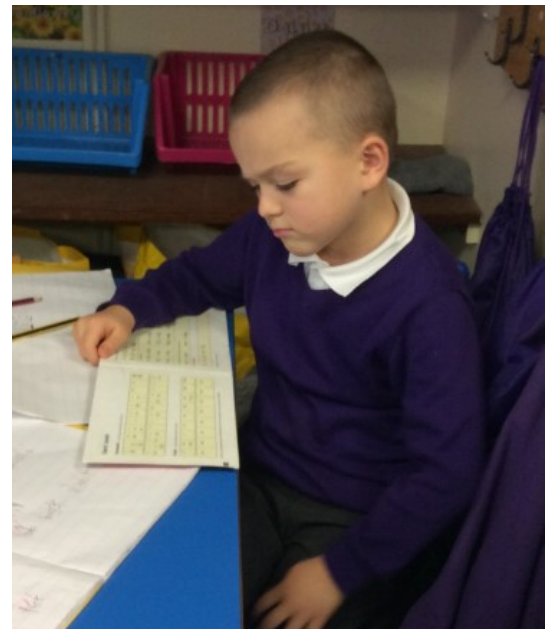
Where both parents have responsibility for their child, each parent will receive a Fixed Penalty Notice. The definition of "parent" includes all natural parents, whether they are married or not and includes any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility and/or care for a child or young person.

FANTASTIC VICTASTIC AWARDS

Mrs. Holmes	RA	The whole of RA and RB for their fantastic Christmas production of "Pete the Cat saves Christmas".
Miss Gent	RB	We are so proud of them all as they have worked really hard.
Mrs. Camozzi/Mrs.Hill	1A	Matas Dambrauskas for writing an amazing postcard. Mohammed Haidari for fabulous phonics work.
Mrs. Quenby	1B	Habiba Khanom for amazing work in shape during maths. Igor Bilewicz for always making a positive contribution to class ideas and a great work ethic.
Mrs. Giles	2A	Jessica Owusu for always working with integrity and showing respect. Jacob Frost for working hard on his Raj Resilience skills in all areas of learning.
Mr. Tyson	2B	Zibah Botwe for working hard to improve her readiness to learn and overall attitude towards learning. Jakub Lorenc for making equal groups in Maths and recording it beautifully in his book.
Miss Williams	3A	Aleeza Begum for her playscript writing with stage directions. Faiza Ahmed for her work on estimating answers and using inverses to check answers in mathematics.
Miss Cooper Mrs. Spencer	3B	Farida Madjidou for settling well into our class and showing a great range of skills in all curriculum areas. Eshan Abbas for persevering with challenges in Mathematics and confidently applying his skills to a variety of problems.
Mrs. Embling	4A	Aarohi Patel for her fantastic effort with her maths work. Shabana Yasmeen for always being enthusiastic and positive.
Miss Lees-Collier	4B	Jack Stewart for working hard and showing resilience. Pavel Captari for always having an excellent attitude towards his learning.
Miss Goodman	5A	Teddy Frost for his brilliant perseverance with drawing conclusions in science. Arleth Lamb for showing great patience and perseverance to solve a maths problem about roses.
Mr. Wolfe	5B	Levi Kallo for much improved handwriting. Well done! Zuzanna Radlo for brilliant use of direct speech
Miss Costanzo	6A	Olivia Szymajda for being a brilliant expert when we used sewing to make our Christmas Tree decorations. Faisal Alam for asking great questions on our walk around the local area.
Mrs. Wall	6B	Katya Petrova for great effort in home learning tasks. Wiktoria Domowicz for great effort in home learning tasks.



Class 4a have chosen the first book from their Advent calendar and Class 4B are looking at a different book for each day of December.



Class 1A have been reading new stories in phonics this week.



Year 6 have been on a walk, learning about the history in the local area. We looked at Victorian houses, the old Victoria school, All Hallows' Church in the market and the place where Wellingborough Zoo once was.



We were all very tired.....some of us thought we'd walked at least 25 miles! We had really walked about 3 miles.



Class 3B practised using estimates by playing 'Go and stand ...' where we had to find the nearest number around the classroom.



Oxford Reading Buddy parent newsletter feature for speed and performance improvements

We are aware of some speed and performance issues on Oxford Reading Buddy. Oxford Reading Buddy are making some improvements over the next few weeks to ensure that your child has a great reading experience.

We will send regular updates to you as we hear from Oxford Reading Buddy. In the meantime, don't forget to check the supported devices and browsers for the service.

We have been working really hard this week in RA to read words and captions and then match them to the correct pictures!



We have been learning how to read a compass in class 1A. We now know where north, south, east and west are in the



Some of 6B have completed the fraction challenge and are now trying a challenge from NCETM. Will they be able to do it?





Year 3 have been working on scratch animations. Can you guess what Izabela and Jessica's animation is going to be about?





Class 3B have been making Ancient Egyptian collars. They look amazing.

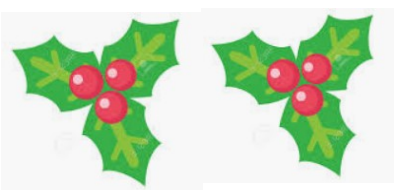


..... and here they are enjoying Egyptian day.

YEAR 3 EGYPTIAN DAY.



CHRISTMAS COMPETITION



We would like you to design the front of this year's school Christmas card.

Your design should be presented on A4 paper and must be very colourful so that it will show up when photocopied. You can use paint, felt pens or coloured paper, but do not use glitter or cotton wool – it must be something that we can scan.

Write your name and class on the *back* of your design and hand it in to the office by **Wednesday, 11th December.**



Once again this year, you can design the school Christmas card!

There will be a winner for Key Stage 1 and a winner for Key stage 2. There will also be a second and third prize for each group.

Every entry will be awarded with a PTA values mini bug and the class with the most entries will win the "Champion Values Bug"

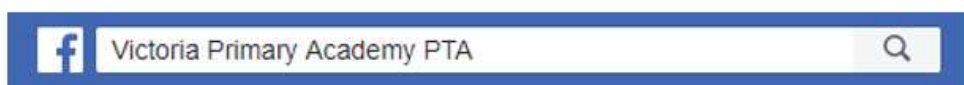


Last year's winners



Please join the PTA Facebook group to keep up to date on our latest fundraising activities!

Search for Victoria Primary Academy PTA and answer the membership questions. Once verified as a parent/carer of a current student you will be added to the group!



Victoria Primary Academy PTA
Group
96 members



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/293177747955365/>

Chair:
Wendy Timpson,

Vice Chair:
Krissy Rumsby,

Treasurer:
Jessica Moreton,

Secretary:
Carole Westrep

Christmas Lunch

We will be having our Christmas lunch on

Tuesday, 17th December.

If you would like your child to join in with Christmas lunch in school, please book for this day on the **School Grid website.**

There is a vegetarian option.



The children may wear a festive jumper to school on **Friday, 13th December** as part of our Christmas celebrations.

If you would like to make a donation to Save the Children, we will send the money on to the charity.



Each envelope must include:

- First name of the person the card is for.
- Last name of the person the card is for or the initial.
- Full class name or teacher name.

Unfortunately, due to GDPR regulations, we are no longer able to give out class lists.

The Christmas postbox is now in the library, awaiting your cards for delivery around the academy.



Hatton Academies Trust Christmas Concert

Date: Thursday 12th December

Time: 6.00pm Doors open & refreshments served from 6.00pm / Performance Starts: 6.30pm

Venue: Westfield Auditorium in the Breezehill Centre at Sir Christopher Hatton Academy

We hope that you are able to join us for our annual Christmas Concert, incorporating performances from all Trust academies and the traditional carol singing finale.

Bring your festive cheer and celebrate the seasonal tidings with us in our new auditorium.

All tickets are bookable via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hatton-academies-trust-christmas-concert-tickets-82573891733>

All attendees including small children require a ticket (performers do not require a ticket)

We are unable to accommodate pushchairs/prams into the auditorium, they may be stored in the adjacent area and are left at your own risk.

Please note: Our Year 4 children will be taking part in the performance.

The Swansgate Shopping Centre in Wellingborough is having a **free Santa's Grotto this year.** All the children will receive a gift.

Saturday 14th December and Sunday 15th December from 11.00am -4.00pm.



They are also having a **Christmas train** riding around the centre. Again this is free.

Thursday 19th December and Friday 20th December from 3.00pm – 7.00pm.



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
19th November 2019		Class 6B
3rd December		Class 3A
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 4A
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.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ACTIVITIES

Monday:	Lego	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)	FULL
Tuesday:	Cooking	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)	FULL
Wednesday:	Film	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)	FULL
Thursday:	Arts & Craft	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)	FULL
Friday:	Free Play	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)	FULL

Clubs start week beginning Monday 11th November 2019 for 5 weeks at £12.50

Week
beginning

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
LEGO	COOKING	FILM	ART & CRAFT	FREE PLAY

09/12/19

Christmas
Decorations

Melting
snowman
biscuits

Watch a movie

Decorate salt
dough

Decorate salt
dough

Next week is the last week of After School clubs.

Letters will be sent home to book for next term's clubs.

