



# Victoria Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

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Spring Term

Friday, 13th March 2020

## DIARY DATES

**ALL SCHOOL EVENTS  
HAVE BEEN  
POSTPONED UNTIL  
FURTHER NOTICE**

This includes:

Parent Consultations  
on 17th and 19th  
March,

Strings Concert on 19th  
March for year 3

All class assemblies

Easter Disco

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Year 3 had an amazing day at West Lodge Farm Forest School on Wednesday this week.

See pictures on pages 8 and 9



They also had brilliant fun collecting bugs, feeding lambs, swinging on rope swings, building dens and making mud pies!



Mr. Tyson lead the whole school aerobics session this morning. The children all had a great time as they cheered on their year group. Thank you to everyone who donated to the charity and especially to those who raised sponsorship. **Details to follow next week.**

Enjoy the weekend.

H. Scargill

Principal

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# WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Teacher	Class	%
Miss Holmes	RA	97.2
Miss Gent	RB	90.7
Mrs. Hill	1A	94.2
Mrs. Walmsley/Ms. Briscoe	1B	94.1
Mrs. Giles	2A	96.6
Mr. Tyson	2B	95.9
Ms. O'Mahoney	3A	97.0
Miss Cooper/Mrs. Spencer	3B	98.0
Mrs. Embling	4A	94.9
Miss Lees-Collier	4B	97.3
Miss Goodman	5A	93.1
Mr. Crosbie	5B	98.7
Miss Costanzo	6A	95.9
Mrs. Wall	6B	91.7

KEY STAGE 1		
	1st place	Class RA
★	2nd place	Class 2A
★	3rd place	Class 2B
KEY STAGE 2		
★	=1st place	Class 5B
★	"	Class 3B
★	3rd place	Class 4B

WHOLE SCHOOL  
WEEKLY AVERAGE

95.4%



This week's  
house point  
winners



HOUSE POINTS		
House	Class	Points
Artists	RA, RB	1960 ★
Musicians	1A, 1B, 2A	1353
Explorers	2B, 3A, 3B	1359
Scientists	4A, 4B, 6B	1381
Inventors	5A, 5B, 6A	1397

Artists  
Astonishing!

## 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.

## MORNING ROUTINE



## Requests for Absence

HOLIDAYS – as a school we are ***not permitted*** to authorise any holidays taken outside of the term dates. The termly dates can be found on our website, newsletters or via the school office. These are published at the end and start of each school year. Any absence taken for holidays, will be coded as ***UNAUTHORISED***.

If you require leave from school, for whatever reason, you must obtain a '***request form***' from the school office. It is appreciated if requests are made ***prior*** to any arrangements being made.

100%	96%	95%	91%	90%	85%
<b>GOOD</b> Best chance of success		<b>WORRYING</b> Less chance of success		<b>SERIOUS CONCERNS</b> Not fair on your child	
Of pupils who miss less than 5% of school, 73% achieve five A* to Cs, GCSEs including English and Maths.		Of pupils who miss between 10% - 20% of school, only 35% manage to achieve five A* to C GCSEs, including English and Maths.			

## COVID-19 GUIDANCE

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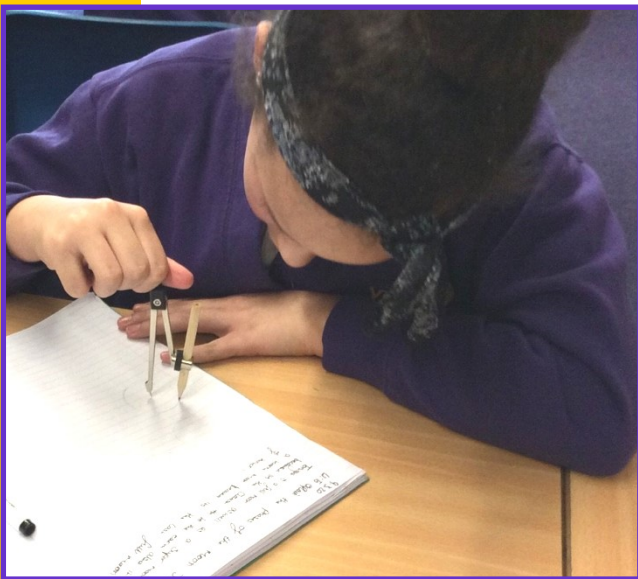


# VICTASTIC AWARDS

Mrs. Holmes	RA	<p><b>Eric Owusu</b> for his amazing independent reading this week! Eric read a story completely independently to his peers.</p> <p><b>Aisha Chaudhry</b> for her fantastic measuring this week using the cubes, and for supporting others to measure.</p>
Miss Gent	RB	<p><b>All of RB</b> for showing great enthusiasm in our class assembly last week, working together as a team! Well Done RB I am so proud of you all!</p>
Mrs. Hill	1A	<p><b>Alyssa Alexis</b> for her super maths work.</p> <p><b>Afsheen Alom</b> for her brilliant puppet making.</p>
Mrs. Walmsley Mrs. Briscoe	1B	<p><b>Igor Bilewicz</b> for super creativity when making his lion story puppet.</p> <p><b>Ola Patalan</b> for amazing puppet making</p>
Mrs. Giles	2A	<p><b>Jack Griggs</b> for fantastic effort and improvements in reading and writing.</p> <p><b>Nilofar Haidari</b> for a super design and build of her own moving vehicle.</p>
Mr. Tyson	2B	<p><b>Jessie Dwane</b> for making a brilliant start and settling in really well.</p> <p><b>Tariq Islam</b> for working hard with solving problems in our Maths assessments.</p>
Mrs. O'Mahoney	3A	<p><b>Wojciech Latusek</b> for showing resilience in his writing and trying to improve his work based on advice.</p> <p><b>Izabela Savu</b> for consistently challenging herself in maths to learn new skills and develop her understanding.</p>
Miss Cooper Mrs. J. Spencer	3B	<p><b>Julia Jabaji</b> for always being ready to learn and developing her independence.</p> <p><b>Mareks Sprukulis</b> for improving his listening skills and following instructions.</p>
Mrs. Palmer	4A	<p><b>Amelia Lewandowska</b> for showing excellent skills using fractions in maths.</p> <p><b>Ellie Reynolds</b> for writing an amazing example of a scene setting for her playscript.</p>
Miss Lees-Collier	4B	<p><b>Poppy Rumsby</b> for working extremely hard and writing a fantastic playscript.</p> <p><b>Can Ucer</b> for challenging himself and working independently with fractions.</p>
Miss Goodman	5A	<p><b>Aimee Smart</b> for making a concentrated effort to improve her handwriting joins.</p> <p><b>Humza Ali</b> for thinking carefully about using bar models for fractions.</p>
Mr. Crosbie	5B	<p><b>Mohammed Ibrahim</b> for making a positive effort to improve the quality and presentation of his work.</p> <p><b>Georgia Ekins</b> for showing empathy and understanding during her work in RE.</p>
Miss Costanzo	6A	<p><b>Janet Omnisore</b> for hard work in English this week.</p> <p><b>Corey Carvell</b> for being a brilliant team player in netball.</p>
Mrs. Wall	6B	<p><b>Nicolle Maczka and Gurbaaj Nag</b> for their great effort and perseverance in percentages this week.</p>



On Monday we had some special visitors in reception ! We are all so excited see what happens to our eggs..... It looks like we might have our first egg hatch very soon.



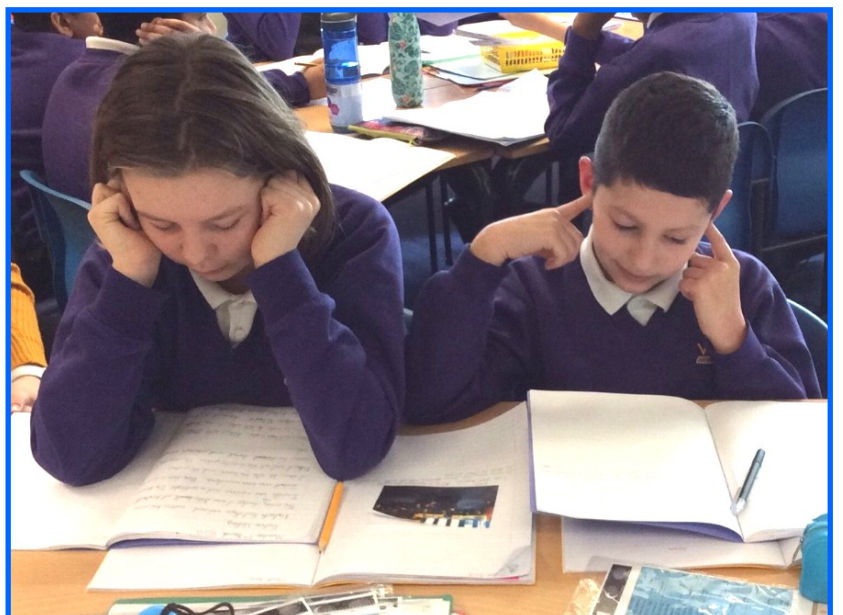
6B are investigating the phases of the moon and trying to use a compass as well to draw accurate circles. If you look in the sky tonight you should see a full moon. Tonight's full moon is also called a Super Moon and a Worm



Mrs Scargill says,

*"Great compass skills. I love drawing circles!"*

6A are reading their stories to check they make sense. We're trying it with our fingers in our ears so we're not distracted by others reading. It looks strange but it works!







Quick revision of area of triangles in Mrs Wall's room this morning. Does anyone else know how to do this?

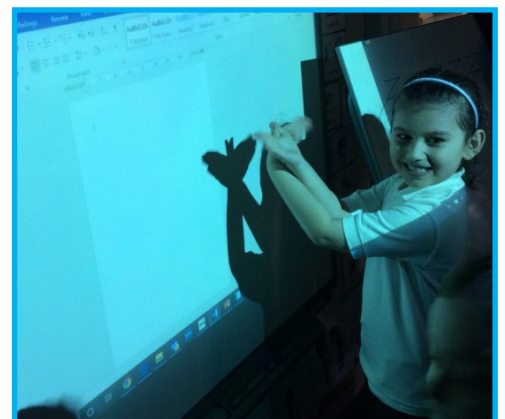
In RB this week we have had so much enjoyment from our science investigations! Here is Emily, Cloud and Mael helping the bears cross the river using the



3B created a giant human chart to show the affect that exercise had on our pulse rate. We used our statistics skills from Mathematics to help us to label our axes and plot our points.



Year 1 held a science experiment to see how shadows change as the light source moves away.





## THE BIG SING

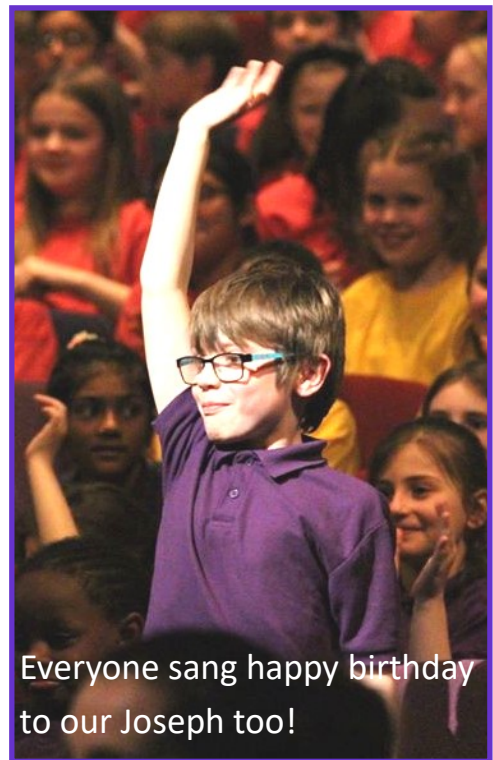


Last Thursday the VPA choir performed to a huge audience in the Big Sing production of Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat, as part of the annual amateur youth group production staged by NMPAT.

After several weeks of after school rehearsals, our children were brilliant, and sang alongside other local primary and secondary schools.

The choir had a great time!

*Miss Little would like to add that the staff also joined in!*



Everyone sang happy birthday to our Joseph too!



Mrs. Scargill says:

***"You were all absolutely amazing! I really enjoyed watching you. Well done!"***



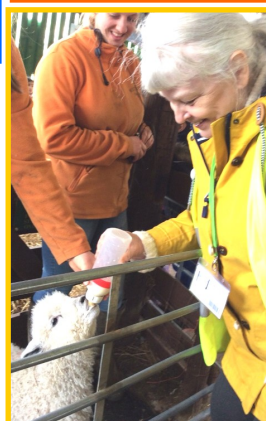


# Year 3 Trip to West Lodge Farm

Wednesday, 11th March 2020



Mrs Scargill says,  
"Wow! That does look like fun!"



The adults had  
fun feeding the  
lambs too!



## Year 3 Trip to West Lodge Farm(2)



Year 3 really enjoyed meeting all of the animals at West Lodge Rural Centre yesterday. They were also lucky enough to bottle feed lambs.



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This advice is for people with symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), including those with a diagnosis of coronavirus (COVID-19) infection, who must remain at home until they are well.

The main messages are:

- if you have symptoms of coronavirus infection (COVID-19), however mild, do not leave your home for 7 days from when your symptoms started (see ending isolation section for more information)
- this action will help protect others in your community while you are infectious
- plan ahead and ask others for help to ensure you can successfully stay at home
- ask your employer, friends and family to help you to get the things you need to stay at home
- stay at least 2 metres (about 3 steps) away from other people in your home whenever possible
- sleep alone, if possible
- wash your hands regularly for 20 seconds, each time using soap and water
- stay away from vulnerable individuals, such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions, as much as possible

you do not need to call NHS 111 to go into self-isolation. If your symptoms worsen during home isolation or are no better after 7 days, contact [NHS 111 online](#). If you have no internet access, call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999



3.15—4.30pm

<b>Code Club</b>	<b>Monday, 16th March</b>	<b>Scratch—Ghostbusters</b>
<b>Free Play</b>	<b>Tuesday, 17th March</b>	<b>Board games</b>
<b>Cooking</b>	<b>Wednesday, 18th March</b>	<b>Puff roses</b>
<b>Gardening</b>	<b>Thursday, 19th March</b>	<b>How do things grow?</b>
<b>Craft and sewing</b>	<b>Friday, 20th March</b>	<b>Weaving</b>



**MIXED  
FOOTBALL  
CLUB**

**MONDAY**

**3.15—4.30**

**From 2nd March**

**BASKETBALL  
CLUB**

**TUESDAY**

**3.15—4.30**

**From 3rd March**

**SKIPPING  
CLUB**

**THURSDAY**

**3.15- 4.30**

**From 27th Feb**

**GYMNASTICS  
CLUB**

**FRIDAY**

**3.15- 4.30**

**From 5th March**

**This week, our Gymnastics after school club has been praised by the coach.**

**Everyone was present and they were all amazing, following instructions and working really well together.**





# SPORTING CHAMPION OF THE WEEK

<b>Class RA</b>	<b>David Iordache</b> for his effort on the bikes outside this week and explaining to others what they need to do. Well done David!
<b>Class RB</b>	<b>Dominic Simpson</b> for his effort in class yoga. He is always ready to engage and try his best with the yoga positions each day. Well Done Dominic!
<b>Class 1A</b>	<b>Axel-Henry Adjei</b> for his super effort during cosmic yoga.
<b>Class 1B</b>	<b>Izabela Badarcea</b> for her super listening and application of skills.
<b>Class 2A</b>	<b>Salman Islam</b> for fantastic team work and fielding skills in our cricket lesson.
<b>Class 2B</b>	<b>Gracie Cooper</b> for demonstrating great technique when striking the ball with a cricket bat.
<b>Class 3A</b>	<b>Aarifah Islam</b> for always trying her hardest and supporting others during lessons.
<b>Class 3B</b>	<b>Edijs Bahvalovs</b> for using the new playground activities positively.
<b>Class 4A</b>	<b>Sarah Khan</b> for demonstrating an excellent front crawl stroke to her group at swimming.
<b>Class 4B</b>	<b>Samuel Maple</b> for showing improvement in his swimming despite recovering from an injury.
<b>Class 5A</b>	<b>Layla Sherlock</b> for carefully practising her hockey dribbling skills.
<b>Class 5B</b>	<b>Ayush Patel</b> for excellent work in hockey and for showing sportsmanship.
<b>Class 6A</b>	<b>Matia Serbanescu</b> for fantastic netball playing.
<b>Class 6B</b>	<b>Hanan Syed</b> for great netball skills and tactics.