

Diary Dates

18th November

Fluenz nasal immunization session

19th November

Individual photographs



Decorate your class's donation pot! See
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**Victoria Primary Academy** 

# Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term

Friday, 6th November 2020



A new lockdown has begun for us all from Thursday this week.

May I take this opportunity to thank all of our families for continuing to support the procedures we have in place for drop off and pick up and the staff, who are working above and beyond to continue to provide the best learning experiences they can for all of the children in these continuing challenging circumstances.

The children are being so resilient and are continuing to work really well together in their bubbles, ensuring their experiences in school remain positive.

We are very confident that the measures we have put in place are the correct ones to ensure the school is as safe as it can be. It was very pleasing that an external inspector confirmed this when visiting just before half term.

We have good levels of communication in place between home and school, so please stay in touch with your class teacher via Class Dojo and contact the school office if you

I will ensure parents are kept updated as we receive updates from the government.

The important thing is we are open - being at school is vital for our children, not only for their education, but also for their well being.

As a school community I know that we can rise to this challenge together!

Enjoy the weekend,

H. Scargill

Hayley Scargill
Principal

"The Government will continue to prioritise the wellbeing and long-term futures of our young people and will not be closing schools. It remains very important for children to attend, to support their wellbeing, education and future ability to learn."

### **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WINNERS**

Teacher	Class	%
Miss Holmes	RA	94.0
Miss Gent	RB	93.3
Mrs Walmsley/Mrs Hensman	1A	92.8
Miss Proctor	1B	94.7
Mrs Giles	2A	96.2
Mr. Tyson	2B	92.1
Mrs O'Mahoney	3A	95.6
Mrs Chauhan	3B	95.2
Miss Newell	4A	98.6
Miss Huckin/Mrs Harding	4B	100
Mrs Embling	5A	98.7
Miss Cox	5B	98.0
Mrs Wall	6A	90.5
Mrs Stevenson	6B	97.3

	Gold award	Class 4B
$\Rightarrow$	Gold award	Class 5A
	Gold award	Class 4B

whole school weekly average **95.6** 



YEAR	SCHOOL TIMES
Year R	9:00—3:00
Year 1 and 2	9:00—3:00
Year 3 and 4	9:15—3:15
Year 5 and 6	8:45—2:45

#### **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.

The NHS has produced some guidance to help parents understand when their child can and cannot attend school which you may find useful:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/ healthybody/is-my-child-too-ill-forschool/ If your child is not able to attend school, please telephone to inform us by 9.00am or leave a message on ParentMail.

01933 223323.



#### Call the school office for details of your child's attendance status!

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS





#### Class attendance certificates

Certificates are (virtually) presented at our Friday morning assembly to the top three classes who have the best weekly attendance—gold, silver and bronze.







The purpose of these certificates is to encourage the children to work together as a class, unite them in the common goal of having excellent attendance and to benefit from being at school.

#### Weekly attendance figures

Class attendance and whole school attendance figures are published in the newsletter each week (page 2). As a school, we are working hard to reduce absence where possible.

#### **Punctuality**

Most of you have excellent punctuality habits and make sure your children are in school on time every day, but we still have some children who arrive to school late each day.

#### Mornings can be very stressful and challenging for a family.

If you do experience difficulties please let us know so that we can offer as much support as possible.

There are 190
school days in a
year and
therefore 175
days of holidays
and weekends.
Please do not
book holidays/
family time
during school
term time – this
will not be
authorised and
you are likely to
be fined.



# FANTASTIC VICTASTIC AWARDS

Mrs Holmes	RA	<b>Reshika Ningaraju</b> for settling in really well this week and trying really hard at all of the activities given to her.
		Kai Meade for always trying his best in everything that he does and for
Miss Gent RI		Halle Brown for her efforts and imagination this week retelling and acting out her helicopter story to her friends in class. Well Done Halle.
		Mikolaj Karpiak for his handwriting in phonics, always trying his best each day when writing our sound of the day. Well Done Mikolaj.
Mrs Walmsley	1A	Isla Brown for independent subtraction sentences.
Mrs Hensman	Δ, τ	Francesca Constantin for her counting and having a go at fact families.
Miss Proctor	1B	<b>Kornelia Bijak</b> for brilliant independent work in maths being able to show subtraction through three different methods confidently.
		<b>Shahzaib Muhammad</b> for his fantastic engagement in the story 'Little Red Riding Hood' and for being able to retell the story of the 'Little Red Riding Hood' using sequencing language such as 'first, then, next'.
Mrs Giles	2A	Skye McMillan for perseverance in Maths when adding and subtracting tens.
		Alfie Reynolds for excellent story writing in Phonics.
Mr. Tyson	2B	<b>Elliot Dally</b> for demonstrating aspiration in Maths when adding and subtracting tens.
		Afsheen Alom for perseverance in Maths when adding and subtracting tens.
Mrs O'Mahoney 3A		Jack Griggs for focus and concentration in work and challenging himself in maths.
	3	<b>Tristan Mierins</b> for working hard in maths and showing perseverance to learn a new skill.
Mrs Chauhan	3B	Bentley Hoy and Emily Dushaj for working hard and following rules.
Miss Mataria	4A	Amelia Adikou for persevering during her maths lesson.
, , , , , , , , , ,	4	Dihen Fernando for working diligently during the lessons and for the neat
A.41		presentation in his books.
Miss Huckin	4B	<b>Krzysztof Morek</b> for always taking an enthusiastic role in our learning and caring about his progress and that of those around him.
Mrs Harding		<b>Andreea Sandor</b> for your cheerful disposition which brightens our class every day and your determination to always do your best.
Mrs Embling	5A	William Timpson for excellent skills in using wire and wire cutters.
		Maria Khanom for her positive and helpful attitude.
Miss Cox	5B	Godfred Amofah for persevering with his apostrophe work.
1 1100 COX	50	Fabian Squires for his focus and determination in all lessons.
Mrs Wall	6A	Mahi Patel for being very selfless and a good friend to others this week.
•		Arsalaan Naeem for an improved effort with home learning.
Mrs Stevenson	6B	<b>Teslim Udin</b> for reading a wide variety of books this term.
		Kaiyah Simpson for her thoughtful thought process in DT.

Thank you to everyone who entered our 'Pumpkin Competition' at the end of last term.

We had an amazing selection to choose from and each year was represented.

We were delighted to award prizes to 7 worthy winners and 7 runners-up.



Do you remember our donation pots?

We introduced them a couple of years ago for your £1.00 donations on mufti days.

Well, we're asking you to decorate a label again!

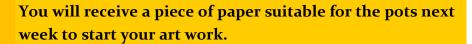




- · You must fill the whole label
- It must include the words "Victoria P.T.A"
- It must include your class name e.g. RA, 2B, 5A etc.
- Make it bright and colourful -use Crayons, wax Crayons or felt pens, glitter and decorations
- · Keep it as neat as possible



Put your name on the back of your entry \* Closing date 20th November \*Prizes for the winners\*



The size is simply an A<sub>4</sub> piece of paper cut in half lengthways, if you want to make an early start.

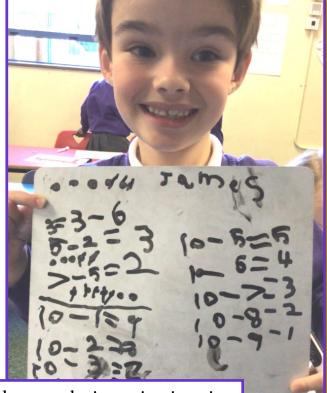
There will be prizes for the winning entry in each class.



## **CLASSROOM NEWS**



In Year 2 we have been working on programming our own computer games. If you want to have a try at home go to scratch.mit.edu.



Independent maths investigations in year 1. We created subtraction stories and then wrote the number sentence to represent it. Keep it up everyone.



In year 5 we have started work on making our paper lanterns.



We are using wire and wire cutters. I am impressed with how responsible everyone is when using the tools.

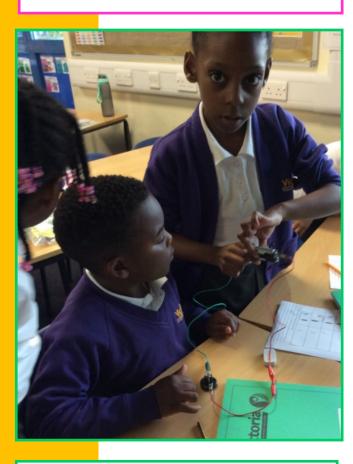
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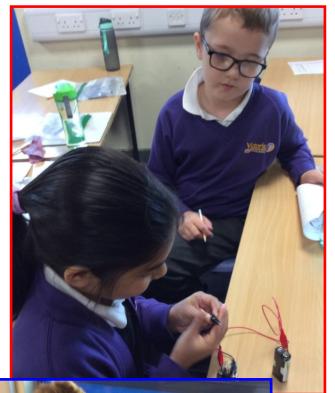




We have been very busy building our rooms in class 3A this week.



We have also been exploring circuits and switches. We really enjoyed trying to make our bulbs light up, then trying to add a switch in!





# **CLASSROOM NEWS**



We really enjoyed starting to learn to play the Glockenspiel. We learned how to play and listen for notes C, D, E and F, using a song called "Mardi Gras Groovin"







Year 6 writing in paragraphs, yeah!

We have begun to research our DT project this week. Keep looking over the coming weeks for progress.



Last half term, to celebrate Sukkot in year 2, we made each made a Sukkah using resources we found in the environmental area.



#### **NOTICEBOARD**



As it gets colder, don't forget that your child is welcome to wear a fleece over their jumper in class.

The fleece must:

- Be of a plain design, with possibly one small logo
- Be one single colour- either grey, black, navy blue or purple
- Not have a hood

If you want to buy a fleece from the Wellingborough Uniform shop- these have the school logo and are priced at £13.99—you'll be pleased to know that they remain open during lockdown.

Check timings before visiting = 01933 426433.

You can buy a fleece from another supplier which would probably be cheaper.

#### INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November Children to wear full uniform please.

Unfortunately, due to covid-19 safety precautions, we are unable to offer sibling photographs this year, either from within school or for preschool siblings.

You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.



## **After school clubs**

Unfortunately, following new DfE guidelines, we are not able to continue with our after school clubs during lockdown.

We will let you know as soon as we are able to resume.

A warm Victoria welcome to our new members of staff this term.

Miss Mataria has joined us as the new teacher in class 4A. She has had an enjoyable first week getting to know her class and is in touch with her families on Class Dojo.

We have also welcomed 2 new lunch time supervisors, Miss Parker and Miss West.

Miss Parker has also joined our Cleaning team, alongside Mr Nevett.

We're happy to have you on board!

# PE Timetable—2020/21

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNES- DAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Year 1	11:20—12:05				1:45—2:20
Year 2	1:45—2:30			11:20—12:05	
Year 3		11:20—12:05	1:45—2:30		
Year 4		1:45—2:30			11:20—12:05
Year 5			1:45—2.30		1:45—2.30
Year 6	1:45—2:30			1:45—2.30	

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

It is best if children bring their PE kit to school on Mondays and leave it in their classrooms until Friday, when they can take it home to be washed, bringing it back again on Monday.

CLASS	SPORTS CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK
RA	<b>Travis Matisons</b> for his amazing balancing skills and co-ordination whilst moving around the obstacle course.
RB	Ada Styczynska for catching and kicking skills with a ball.
1A	Ismaeel Ali for his determination and perseverance during the daily mile.
1B	Olivier Leszczynski for showing consistent enthusiasm during the Daily Mile and deciding to challenge himself and run the last two laps.
2A	Abdul Iddriss for developing his throwing technique when throwing a
2B	<b>Charlie Abbott</b> for showing a brilliant engagement towards all of the activities.
3A	<b>Nilofar Haidari</b> for following instructions and showing determination and effort in all activities.
3B	Jakub Lorenc for fabulous participation in PE.
4A	Amelia Gathercole for being a responsible and reliable team captain.
4B	<b>Jiya Vegad</b> for showing great team skills by cheering on classmates and encouraging them do their best.
5A	Jaden Pindura for excellent catching and throwing skills.
5B	Aarohi Patel for showing excellent teamwork.
6A	Naomi Yorke for great perseverance with the Daily Mile.
6B	Oliver Glebecki for great perseverance in his Daily Mile.