

**Victoria Primary Academy** 

# Weekly Newsletter

**Spring Term** 

Friday, 19th March 2021



National Day of Reflection

25th March

Children in school for the last day of term

26th March

Teacher Training day

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National Day of Reflection 23 March

A National Day of Reflection is to take place on Tuesday, 23rd March, the anniversary of the UK going into the first national lockdown.

We will hold a minute's silence at 12 noon and say thank you to all the people who have helped us over the last year; NHS and critical workers, school adults and family.

Later, it is hoped people will help create a nationwide "beacon of remembrance" on their doorsteps by beaming phones, candles and torches into the night sky at 8pm. Iconic buildings and landmarks across the UK will light up yellow as a beacon of hope.

There will be a battery operated tea light for every child take home on the 23rd, so Victoria Primary pupils and adults can place a light on their doorstep or in their window that evening. The children may like to put their light in their bedroom window or living room window before they go to bed.

Candle safety, see page 8

The school was full of princesses, superheroes, wizards and pirates last Friday, not to mention a Matilda or two and the odd Mary Poppins!

We all had a great World Book Day and it was lovely to see the children having fun together.

H. Scargill
Principal



Congratulations ~ Key Stage 1	
Miss Holmes	Lacie Dawson for her fantastic independent writing this week, remembering to use finger spaces and full stops!  Aj Amoah for his excellent effort this week in Maths, describing, naming and making lots of different 3D shapes!
Miss Gent RB	Alan Balicki for his participation in phonics this week and settling well back into school routines.  Dacey-Carter Roach for her knowledge of 2D shapes this week with some lovely explanations of how many sides each shape has etc.
Mrs. Hensman Mrs. Walmsley	<ul> <li>Daniel Bradean for having a super week in school and being so happy in all his learning.</li> <li>Hanna Latuesk for independently writing about seasonal changes.</li> </ul>
Miss Proctor 1B	Hugo Troughton for his brilliant participation in Art this week. Hugo took the responsibility of being Van Gogh! He showed fantastic listening to be able to play the role of Van Gogh too.  Talia Dunnett for showing great aspiration in maths this week when creating addition and subtraction sums. Talia wrote 13 addition sums independently and 11 subtraction sums. I was so impressed!
Mrs. Giles 24	Bartosz Wierciak for using his phonics to write rhyming words and sentences.  Ember Lamb for showing creativity and imagination when creating nonsense words and images to go with them.
Mr. Tyson 2B	Sophie Holland for an improved confidence and willingness to contribute during sharing activities.  Parker Lacey for demonstrating resilience and perseverance when drawing 2D shapes and finding lines of symmetry.

Congratulations ~ Key Stage 2	
Mrs. O'Mahoney 3A	Kiara Patel and Ethan Harvey for working hard this week.
Mrs. Chauhan 3B	<ul><li>Iulian Mateescu for great participation in English.</li><li>Zibah Botwe for being kind to her friend and helping her in maths.</li></ul>
Miss Costanzo 4A	Tanisha Chowdhury and Izabela Savu, both for being amazing and working really hard in all subjects this week.
Mrs. Harding Miss Huckin 4B	Cristian Giurca for being an excellent role model to his class mates  Ruby Maple for working diligently and conscientiously - giving 100%
Mrs. Embling	Maria Khanom for her super home learning, creating a new book cover for the BFG.  Costance Mastroianni for her super effort with the assessments this week
Miss Cox 5B	Aarohi Patel for fabulous effort with her work.  Godfred Amofah for working very hard on the assessments.
Mrs. Wall 64	Arsalaan Naeem for his participation and hard work in French this week.  Mardiatu Alassane for her hard work and great musical composition this week.
Mrs. Stevenson 6B	Teddy Frost for his mathematical reasoning and contribution in class.  Tiffany Bordas for her great contribution to story writing in class.



#### **RED NOSE DAY**

Q: What kind of key opens a banana?

A: A mon key!





Q: What do you call a magician without his magic?

A: Ian



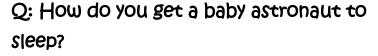
Q: Why did the teddy bear say no to dessert?

A: He said "I'm stuffed!"



Q: Did you hear about the man who got his whole left side chopped off?

A: He's all right now!



A: Rock it! (Rocket)



Q: What sound do hedgehogs make when they kiss?

A: Ouch, ouch, ouch!

Q: How does the sea say hello?

A: It waves!



Q: Why did the student eat his homework?

A: Because his teacher said it was a piece of cake!





#### **RED NOSE DAY**



Q: How do you make time fly?

A: Throw a clock out of the window



Q: What belongs to you but is used more by

others?

A: Your name



Q: What do you have to do to catch a squirrel? A: Act nuts!

O: What kind of witch likes cheese and ham?

A: A sand-witch (sandwich)

Q: What do you call a funny mountain?

A: Hil-arious

I dig, You dig,

We dig.



Q: If money doesn't grow on trees, why do banks have branches?

Not the best poem, but it's deep!

Q: Why did the jelly baby go to school?

A: Because he wanted to be a smartie!



Q: Doctor, doctor, how do I stop my nose from running? A: Stick your foot out and trip it up!

Q: How did the octopus go into battle?

A: Well-armed

#### **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Schools are responsible for recording attendance, following up absence and reporting children missing education to the local authority.

#### **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

#### **Symptoms of COVID 19**

It is absolutely vital that if you, your child or someone in your household has any of the following symptoms you must stay at home and inform us immediately and organise a test.

A high temperature

A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

A new continuous cough

If your child displays any of the above symptoms in school, we will isolate them in our isolation room and request you are available to collect them immediately.

Our staff are now taking twice weekly lateral flow tests which will support in the early identification of asymptomatic cases.

#### **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.



#### **Emergency Contact Information**

It is vital that we have up to date information (home, work and mobile phone numbers) so that we can contact you, or someone else nominated by you, in an emergency.

First aid is available in school for minor accidents, but in cases of real emergency, it is vital that we have a telephone contact number for every child.

Please try to give us at least 3 numbers.

Passport and Visa Applications.

Please be aware that if you need to apply for a passport from your country of origin for an adult or a child, the entire procedure can be completed at the relevant Embassy in London.

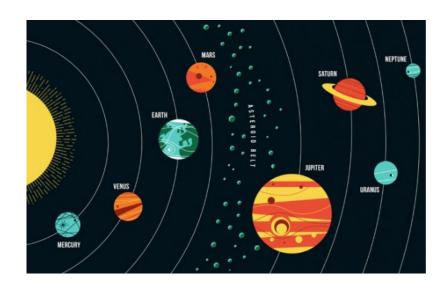
Absence will not be authorised for trips abroad for passport applications and the procedure of penalty notices will apply.

If you are concerned about punctuality or attendance and would like support, please ask to speak to see one of our Inclusion team or the Attendance Officer.

#### 10 Facts about space

- 1) One million Earths could fit inside the sun and the sun is considered an average-size star.
- 2) For years it was believed that Earth was the only planet in our solar system with liquid water.

  More recently, NASA revealed its strongest evidence yet that there is intermittent running water on Mars, too!
- 3) Comets are leftovers from the creation of our solar system about 4.5 billion years ago they consist of sand, ice and carbon dioxide.
- 4) You wouldn't be able to walk on Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus or Neptune because they have no solid surface!
- the trip would take more than 800 years!



- 6) Space junk is any human-made object orbiting Earth that no longer serves a useful purpose. Scientists estimate there are about 500,000 pieces of space junk today, including fragments from rockets and satellites, and everyday items like spanners dropped during construction of the International Space Station!
- 7) An asteroid about the size of a car enters Earth's atmosphere roughly once a year but it burns up before it reaches us. Phew!



- 8) The highest mountain known to man is on an asteroid called Vesta. Measuring a whopping 22km in height, it is three times as tall as Mount Everest!
- **9)** There are more stars in the universe than grains of sand on all the beaches on Earth. That's at least a billion trillion!
- **10)** The sunset on Mars appears blue.

#### **CANDLE SAFETY**

If using real candles on the National Day of Remembrance:

Burn candles out of the reach of children and pets.

Never leave a burning candle unattended.

Do not burn candles on or near anything that can catch fire.









"The teaching is a joy and I have the flexibility to deliver a course that engages and empowers the children in a fun way."

an Outspoken cycle instructor

## We're searching for new Cycle Instructors

### Could you inspire the next generation of cyclists?

Outspoken Training are looking for confident communicators to enthuse school children to make more journeys by bicycle.

If you have loads of enthusiasm to share and are looking for rewarding work to deliver during school term time, we would love to hear from you.

Role: Freelance (self-employed)

Hourly Rate: £12

Cycle Training Programme: Bikeability

Training and Support: We provide full, free training and ongoing support including nationally recognised qualifications.

For more information, please contact Graham: jobs@outspokentraining.co.uk 01223 473820



outspokentraining.co.uk/vacancies

### PLANET SUPER LEAGUE



Dear Parent/Carer,

Victoria Primary Academy has been selected by Northampton Town F.C Community Trust to represent them in Planet Super League, an exciting football and sustainability project, and your child will be part of the team!

Children may take part in a weekly education session with Northampton Town F.C Community Trust for 6 weeks and will then lead their families at home to inspire small changes that can have a big impact on the environment.

Whilst doing this, you will be representing Northampton Town F.C Community Trust in a league table of 24 professional football clubs for points and prizes. Can you help Northampton Town F.C Community Trust win the league and lift the cup?!

The project is simple, we will ask you to register against your club and school by visiting <a href="http://psl.football">http://psl.football</a>, register your details and school from the pre-populated dropdown list and prepare for the big kick off on <a href="Saturday 27th March">Saturday 27th March</a>.

There will be a large selection of fun activities online which are simple to complete at home and can be done flexibly around your lives to make this easy, enjoyable and pressure-free for you and the family! The activities will help you save money, have fun as a family and be more sustainable, all whilst representing Northampton Town F.C Community Trust

The registration page is live from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, please sign up before the season kicks off on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March and be the leading family in your club's battle for the title!

SIGN UP NOW and be part of the team:

Visit: http://psl.football

Register: Come up with your family team name and share your details

Play: Kick off is 27th March. Loads of great prizes up for grabs!

See you on the pitch!

Damon Fox

Schools & Business Development Manager Northampton Town F.C Community Trust

	This week's Sporting Champions are
	Nithu Thusanthan for her effort and enthusiasm in PE this week.
Reception	<b>Kai Meade</b> for joining in enthusiastically with PE this week, following all instructions and trying to do every action and movement!
	<b>Kornelia Bendyk</b> for excellent listening and following instructions in the fun and games lesson.
Year 1	Shahzaib Muhammad for his fantastic listening this week during our 'playground P.E.' game 'red, amber, green'.
	Tyler Warner for showing enthusiasm when completing the daily mile.
Year 2	<b>Anabia Syeda</b> for demonstrating patience and hand-eye coordination skills when dribbling in Hockey.
Year 3	Kareema Ansary and Rozalia Kaliszewska for participation in Tag rugby.
Year 4	Mateusz Krajewski for fantastic team work.  Ildar Kartasov for his enthusiasm demonstrating chest passes and game play in netball.
Year 5	Kayra Orhan for excellent control of the football.  Jahrel Meade for excellent team work and ball skills.
Year 6	Logan McMillan for great listening and participating in rugby.  James Standing for amazing resilience and commitment as well as skill in the rugby session this week.



