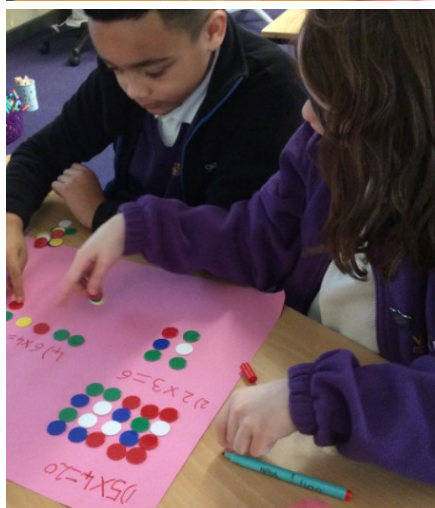




14th January 2022

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Victoria Primary Academy



## Notices

### • 14th January

Deadline for competition, see page 8

There is some important information about attendance and punctuality on page 2.

Please make sure you are aware of the possible consequences of poor attendance and persistent lateness.

## Welcome back to our weekly newsletter.

Our school newsletter has always been an essential part of **communication between students, school, and parents** and from this week it will be sent out to you again every Friday afternoon via Parent Mail. In it we celebrate the children's achievements, see what's been happening in the classrooms each week and keep you informed of upcoming events and activities such as fund raising, visitors, trips and clubs.

***Please let us know if you have any suggestions for future editions.***

Enjoy your weekend and we'll see you back in school on Monday at 8.45am!

H. Scargill

Principal

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## ATTENDANCE AT A GLANCE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

### Aim

We would like all students to attend school for at least 96% of the time.

This is so important as we know that high attendance and achieving academic potential are linked.

### Parents'/Carers' Duty

Parents/carers have a legal duty to ensure that their child attends school regularly and punctually.

Only the Principal can authorise absence. Parents/carers do not have this legal authority.

Requests must be made in writing in advance. Please request a notification of absence form.

### Celebration

Weekly class certificates are awarded for good attendance.

Termly prizes are awarded to students with 100% attendance record.

### Punctuality

The school day starts at 8.45am., when all children should be in the playground. Children arriving after the gates have closed are marked as late. Children arriving after registers have closed are marked as unauthorised late—this counts as a morning absence.

**For persistent late arrival the school can ask the Local Authority to issue a fixed penalty notice (fine).**

### Support

The school offers a variety of different support to families where attendance is an issue.

If you are having problems with getting your child to school on time or if you are concerned about your child's attendance, please contact the school office

**on 01933 223323**

and ask to speak to the Attendance Officer, or a member of our family support team.

### Monitoring

The school monitors attendance on a weekly basis. If a student's attendance falls below 96% it is a cause for concern. Depending on the reasons for the non-attendance, parents/carers may be sent a letter alerting them to the issue.

In cases where a student's attendance falls below 90%, or in circumstances of unauthorised absence, the school may refer the case to the Local Authority and this may lead to a fixed penalty notice.

### Notifying Absences

The school operates a first-day call system. Should your child be too ill to attend school, please telephone the school before 9.00am that day. If the absence is expected to last more than one day, the parent/carer should indicate the day of return. Parents/Carers will be contacted if they fail to do this as the school needs to be certain that the student is safe. Medical evidence may be required.

### Medical Appointments

Parents/Carers are asked to make all medical and dental appointment outside of the school day. If this is not possible, please give as much notice as you can of the intended appointment. Appointment cards/letters are requested before absence is authorised.

### Term Time Holidays

Parents/Carers are **not legally** entitled to take their child on holiday during term time. The law does not permit the Principal to authorise term time holidays or extensions to school holidays which run into term time retrospectively. Parents/Carers will be fined by the Local Authority for taking their child on holiday during term time unless exceptional circumstances are approved by the Principal.

### Fixed Penalty Notices (fines)

The fixed penalty is £60 per parent, per child if payment is made within 28 days, but this rises to £120 if the payment is made within 42 days.

## VICTASTIC CERTIFICATES AWARDED TO. . . . .

Miss Holmes	<p><b>Patryk Zolnacz:</b> For his fantastic letter to the zoo this week, using red words and set two sounds independently!</p> <p><b>Darta Kavecka:</b> For her excellent explanation as to why some animals live in hot places and some live in cold places.</p>
Miss Addison-Bruce	<p><b>Magdalena Jagiello:</b> For her increasing confidence and completing lots of her work independently.</p> <p><b>Adrian Najwer:</b> For fantastic phonics, independently recognising special friends.</p>
Mrs Hensman	<p><b>Maddi Howell Tuthill:</b> For showing fantastic enthusiasm in her learning and demonstrating the school rule of always trying her best.</p> <p><b>Lena Sobotka:</b> For demonstrating the school rule of always trying her best, particularly in her maths work.</p>
Mrs Chauhan	<p><b>Pearl Sahue:</b> For fantastic handwriting in RWInc..</p> <p><b>Jasper Brandon:</b> for great thinking in DT using the window to trace around a shape.</p>
Mrs Walmsley	<b>Hugo Troughton:</b> For his positive approach to learning and persevering to improve his learning.
Mrs Brindle	<b>Junior Macfarlane:</b> For his great contribution to phonics and impressive maths work.
Miss Cox	<p><b>Natan Buda:</b> For hard work and perseverance this week!</p> <p><b>Ismaeel Ali:</b> For trying really hard learning one more and one less!</p>
Mr Tyson	<p><b>Esmae Bellamy:</b> For working hard to improve her multiplication skills in Maths.</p> <p><b>Freddie Foster-Reed:</b> For showing resilience and determination to challenge himself in Maths.</p>
Mrs O'Mahoney	<p><b>Habiba Khanom:</b> For demonstrating perseverance when learning the 4 and 8 times tables.</p> <p><b>Nastia Cieniuch:</b> For showing the Victoria values of patience, cooperation and responsibility to support others.</p>
Mrs Embling	<p><b>Nimra Butt:</b> For fantastic progress in swimming, showing lots of bravery.</p> <p><b>Nilofar Haidari:</b> For careful observation when drawing.</p>
Mrs Slow	<p><b>Lidia Stankiewicz:</b> For great descriptive vocabulary about rainforest animals in English.</p> <p><b>Gracie Cooper:</b> For great descriptive vocabulary about rainforest animals in English.</p>
Mrs Harding	<b>Rares Iamandii:</b> For working hard this week, completing your work and presenting it well.
Mrs Bellamy	<b>Mustafa Ali:</b> For challenging himself by tackling the reasoning and problem solving questions in maths.
Miss Smith	<p><b>Lacey Genge:</b> For her outstanding attitude towards her learning.</p> <p><b>Adam Peach:</b> For great enthusiasm in English (Poetry) and for spotting language features such as personification.</p>
Miss Costanzo	<p><b>Ariana Edwards:</b> For her interesting use of language to create metaphors.</p> <p><b>Oscar Jonestone:</b> For perseverance with his learning which has led to a huge improvement.</p>
Mrs Stevenson	<p><b>Olivia Twardowska:</b> For fantastic use of figurative language.</p> <p><b>Zahra Haidari:</b> For fantastic use of figurative language.</p>



## Spring Term Clubs at Victoria Primary Academy

Monday:	Free Play (Year 1)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
	Gymnastics (Yr. 3 & 4)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
Tuesday:	Free Play (YR 3 & 4)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
	Football (Yr. 5 & 6)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
Wednesday:	Free Play (Reception)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
	Multi-Sports (Yr. 1 & 2)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
Thursday:	Free Play (Year 2)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
	Dance (Yr. 5 & 6)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)
Friday:	Free Play (YR 5 & 6)	(3.15pm – 4.30pm)

**Please send your completed form, along with the correct money in an envelope to the class. *Limited spaces available!***



This week, some of the Reception children attended their first after school club with Miss Ali and Mrs Woresz.

They had lots of fun playing lots of new games!



## YEAR 2

We read books about Mrs Armitage, how things move and different materials.



We read so nicely that our reading turtle came out to listen to us!



## YEAR 1

1A have been systematically making the number bonds to 10 using counters and tens frames - they worked really hard.







## YEAR 5

We've had a great afternoon in year 5 designing and making rollercoasters!



## YEAR 3

First glimpse of our library loan books for our new topic!





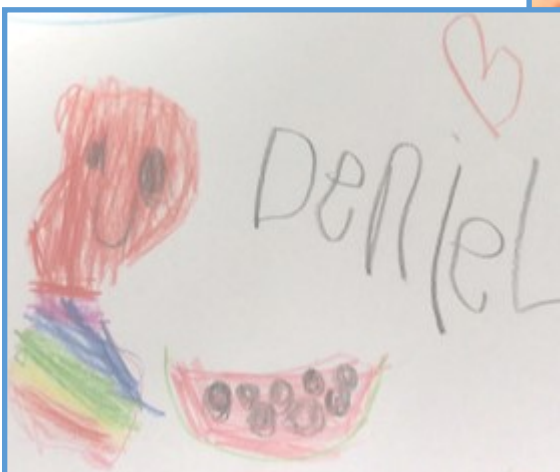


## RECEPTION

This term in Reception our topic is animals!



We have been reading the story "Dear Zoo" and thinking about what animals we would like to have. We have been painting these animals and writing letters to the zoo.



## NOTICEBOARD



**Wellingborough Town Council**

# Animal Encounters

Come and meet a range of farm animals, reptiles & owls  
On Market Street, Wellingborough  
Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2022 10:30am – 2:30pm

Get up close, admire and feed the animals

North Northamptonshire Council

Wellingborough Town Council are holding an **Animal Encounters** event in the Town Centre on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January between 10:30am and 2:30pm**. There will be a variety of animals to come and see and you can even hold or feed them.

The animals will include - sheep, goats, rabbits, guinea pigs, ponies, alpacas, snakes, bearded dragon, tarantula, scorpions, hissing cockroaches, chinchilla, meerkats, pygmy hedgehogs and barn owls.

**The event is free!**

### NO PARKING ON SCHOOL SITE

A quick reminder, especially for any new parents, that there is no parking allowed on site. Please find safe street parking and walk your children into the school grounds. Thank you.

*Thank you for all  
the fabulous  
entries we've had  
so far!*

## HOUSE COMPETITION



### LOGO CONTEST

#### Welcome to our first House Competition!

The House Captains would like you to design a logo for your house!

You could design the logo on your house name, building or location, it's up to you! The House Captains will decide which logo they would like to represent their house!

Each entry will gain a Victastic for their house.

**The winner for each house will be awarded 5**

**Victastic's & A Mystery Prize!**

Please make sure your name, class and house is on the back of your page.

Closing date is Friday 14th January 2022.

Good Luck!



## THIS WEEK'S SPORTING CHAMPIONS

RA	<b>Sophie Fiuk:</b> For her engagement and enthusiasm this week moving and dancing like a pirate!
RB	<b>Kristupas Palivonas:</b> For his engagement this week joining in our pirate dancing.
1A	<b>Marley Simpson:</b> For demonstrating fantastic agility skills when pretending to be a crocodile in our new dance unit.
1B	<b>Armin Dumitru:</b> For super basketball skills in P.E..
2A	<b>Hanna Latusek:</b> For super tracking when using a ball, great technique with her underarm throw and big hands when catching. Great work!
2B	<b>Ava Jones:</b> For amazing team work in Bench ball, using her throwing and catching skills
3A	<b>Isabel-Maria Romila:</b> For brilliant modelling of different positions and use of key vocabulary in Gymnastics.
3B	<b>Amelia Zawadzka:</b> For brilliant modelling of different positions and use of key vocabulary in Gymnastics.
4A	<b>Sharnee Burton:</b> For outstanding effort in swimming.
4B	<b>Olivier Nowak:</b> For demonstrating great dodging skills in dodgeball.
5A	<b>Lorcan McLaren:</b> For beautiful breaststroke, push and glide and general effort in swimming this week.
5B	<b>Nadia Mazsar:</b> For great efforts in the daily mile.
6A	<b>Cassius Monroe:</b> For fabulous hockey skills.
6B	<b>Aayan Elahi:</b> For fantastic control of the ball in hockey.

We had a great time at gymnastics club!

