



4th February 2022

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Victoria Primary Academy



Sharing a book with a friend in Year 1

Children's Mental Health Week 2022

Growing Together

Place2Be launched the first ever Children's Mental Health Week in 2015 to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health.

From 7-13 February 2022, schools, youth groups, organisations and individuals across the UK will take part in Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is **Growing Together**.

Growing Together is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. We will be looking at about both mental health and safer internet use next week in our learning, with age appropriate discussions and activities.

Keep safe and enjoy your weekend!

H. Scargill

Principal

Dates

7th—13th February

Children's Mental Health week

8th February

Safer Internet Day

11th February

Last day of term

21st February

Return to the Academy

3rd March

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HOUSE POINTS

HOUSE	WEEKLY POINTS	RUNNING TOTAL
Balmoral	2460	6686
Buckingham	2750	7421
Kensington	2548	6779
Osborne	2473	6746
Windsor	2625	7087

Top house of the week!
BUCKINGHAM



Ariana Edwards, Class 6B

What a fabulous poem, Ariana!

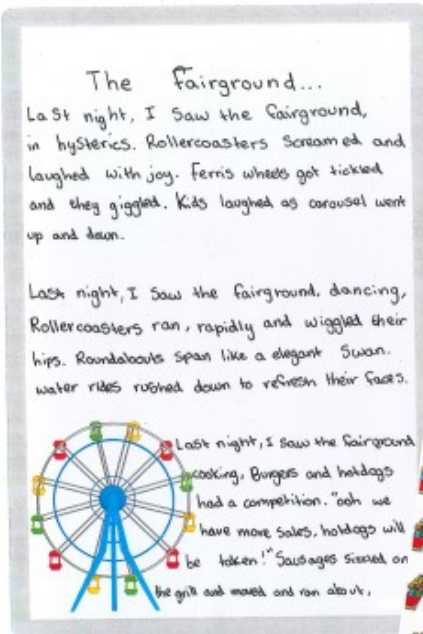
"I feel happy and proud because I enjoy poetry and tried my hardest."



Mrs Scargill's
GOLDEN BOOK

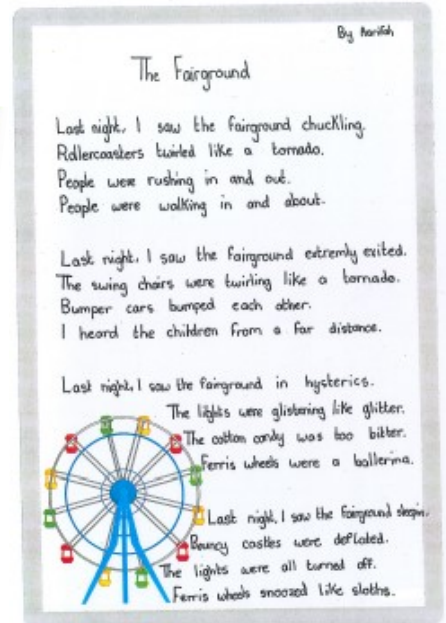
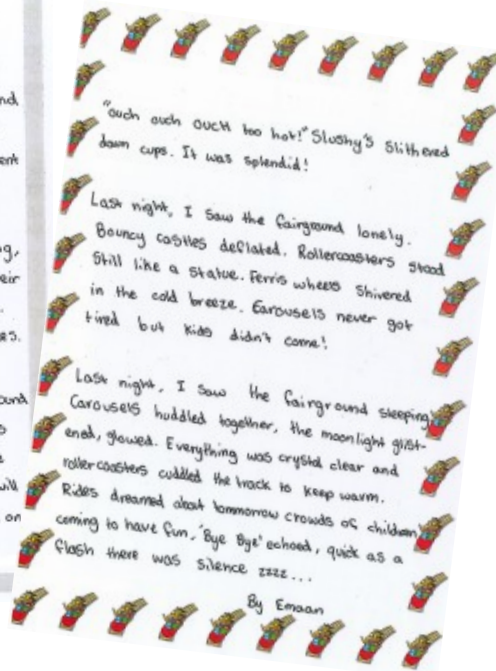
Class 5A have done some amazing poetry around the topic "The Fairground".

These ones particularly impressed Mrs Bellamy and have made it into the Golden Book.



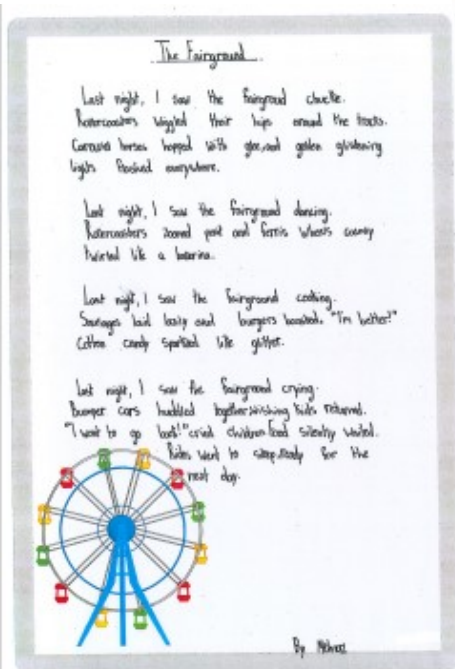
Emaan Ali

"I am proud of this work because of alliteration and the personification."



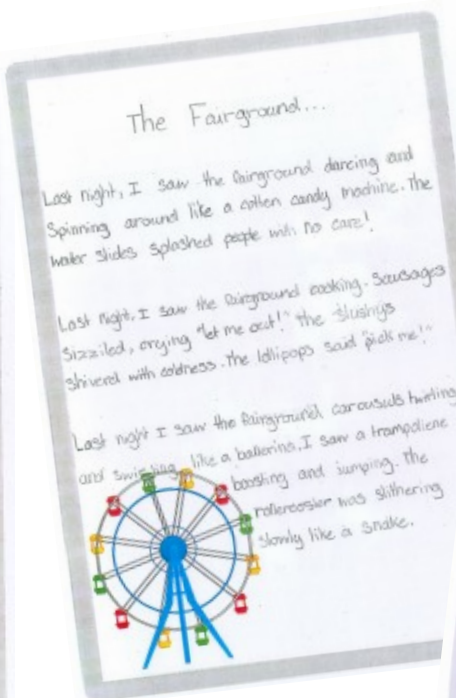
Aarifah Islam

"I am pleased with my work because I used metaphor and alliteration."



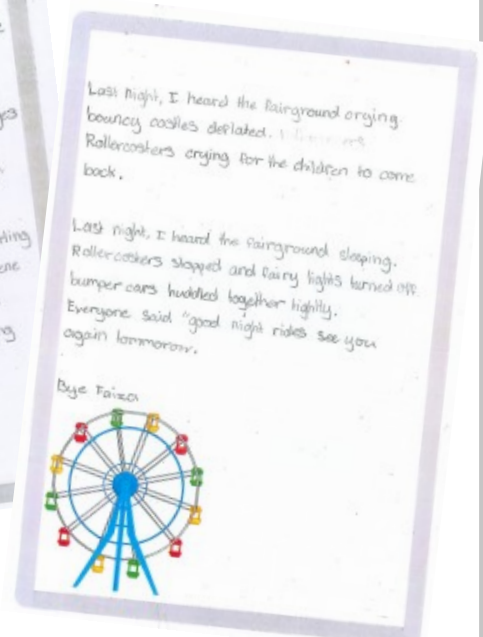
Mehnaz Chowdhury

I'm proud of my poem because I used a lot of language features."



Faiza Ahmed

"I am pleased with my poem because of my use of alliteration"



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

There are 175 non-school days to spend on holidays, family time, shopping and appointments.

Every School Day Counts

Days off school add up to lost learning. **Please don't let your children miss out on the education they deserve.**

Do you know your child's current attendance levels? Ask at the school office for details.

ATTENDANCE FACTS

96 – 100%

Your child is taking full advantage of his/her learning.

90 – 95%

Satisfactory, but your child may have to spend time catching up.

85 – 90%

Your child could be in danger of underachieving and will need your support to keep up with his/her work.

80 – 85%

Your child's poor attendance has a significant impact on their learning

Under 80%

Your child is losing a wide and varied education. You are in danger of being prosecuted.

Absence

If your child is not able to attend school, please telephone to let us know by 9.00am each morning of absence.

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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.



Well done and thank you to the many families whose children arrive at school on time every day.

Being on time is a GREAT START to the day, putting your child in a positive frame of mind to make the most of the day's learning.

However, we are increasingly concerned about the number of late arrivals and, after a shocking **20 lates** on Thursday, we will be sending letters to families who's children are persistently late, warning of the possibility of a fixed penalty notice (fine).

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

Day	Number of lates
Thursday	20
Friday	12

VICTASTIC CERTIFICATES AWARDED TO.

Miss Holmes	Sergiejus Smirnovas for his fantastic use of Fred fingers during phonics this week. Tahsina Chowdhury for accurately using the vocabulary more, fewer and equal to in Maths this week when comparing groups of objects.
Miss Addison-Bruce	Caitlyn Abbott for always being a good friend and helping others. Sophia Dumitru for brilliant ideas and participation during carpet time.
Mrs Hensman	Tanya Hewage for fantastic dancing in the year 1 performance of the gingerbread man. Mohammad Haidari for showing the school rule of working hard and trying your best in his maths work this week, particularly in using the rekenrek.
Mrs Chauhan	Sienna Tigue for having a good first day and settling well into class. Kaja Drzewiecka for trying her hardest with her handwriting and writing sentences.
Mrs Walmsley Mrs Brindle	Jaidan Dholakia for super construction skills, investigating how to make a free axle for his vehicle to move. Daisy Mai Mackellar for using her counting in fives knowledge to solve multiplication problems.
Miss Cox	Aisha Chaudhry for always following school rules and being a superstar! Tayba Tayba for her great work in maths this week.
Mr Tyson	Asim Rokab for demonstrating excellent knowledge when creating a travel brochure about Guatemala. Ember Lamb for brilliant contributions during both English and Connected Curriculum.
Mrs O'Mahoney	Alyssa Alexis for producing a wonderful travel brochure that includes lots of facts about Guatemala. Amora Pink for working hard to develop her reasoning skills in Maths.
Mrs Embling	Ethan Harvey and Jacob Frost for their careful work, creating patterns using ink and collage.
Mrs Slow	Jessie Dwane for working hard and independently with difficult maths questions. Ecaterina Apetrei for helping others in the class.
Mrs Bellamy	Mason Bibby for working really hard on his fractions this week. William Timpson for excellent contribution to class.
Miss Smith	Mikaela Mpayah for her outstanding contribution to discussions in English. Deniz Ucer for his perseverance with fractions.
Miss Costanzo	Aydin Haque for his enthusiasm completing a science experiment Simon Kosmowski for his hard work in maths
Mrs Stevenson	Gabriel Ciuca for his reasoning in maths and persevering with percentages. Maja Hirszt for attention to detail in her botanical drawing.

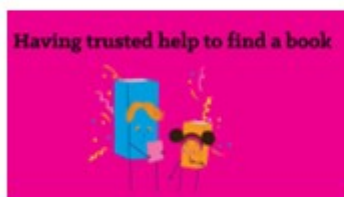
World Book Day

At Victoria we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March 2022. World Book Day is a registered charity with the aim to encourage the love of reading. We will be celebrating with a range of exciting activities, competitions and by asking children and staff to dress as their favourite book character! Watch this space for more information!



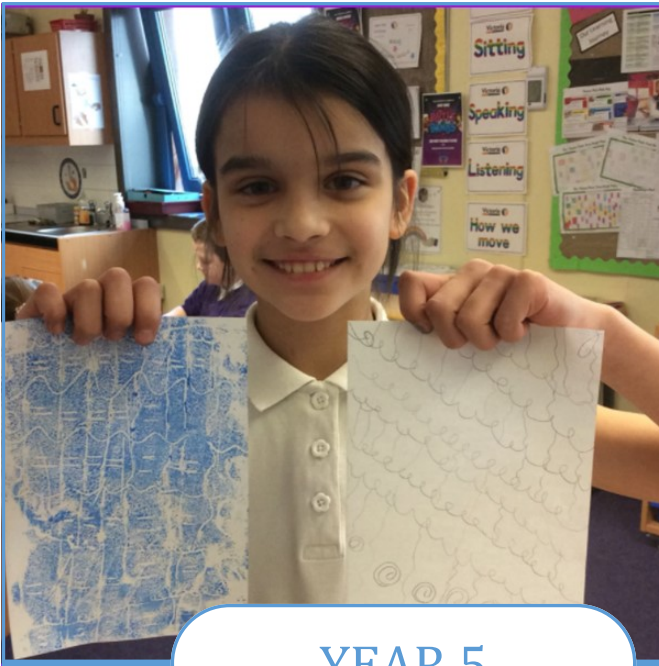
Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.

How can adults at home and school support children gain a love for reading? World Book Day suggests these things:



Here are some ideas for book character costumes:

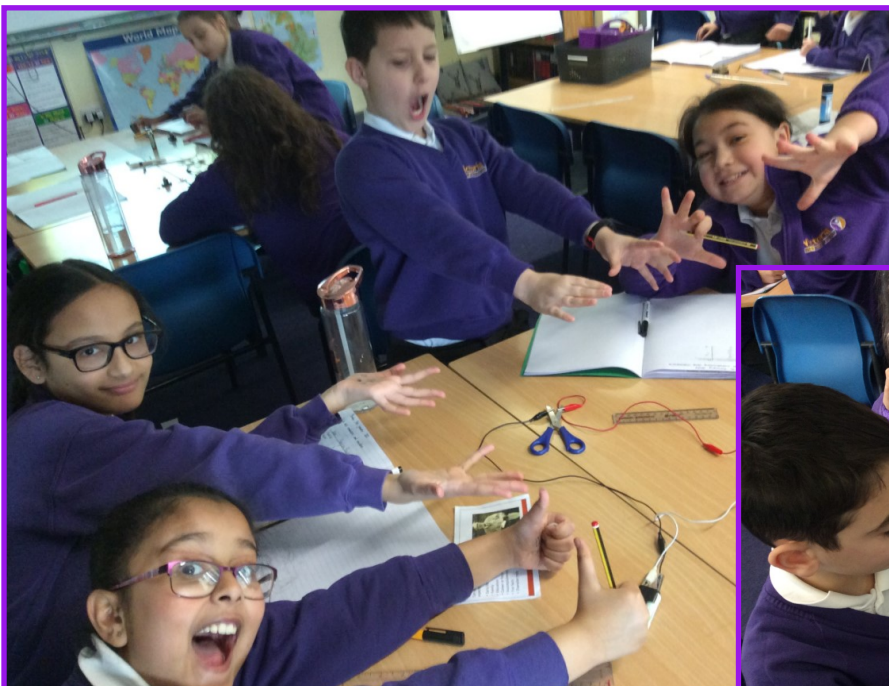




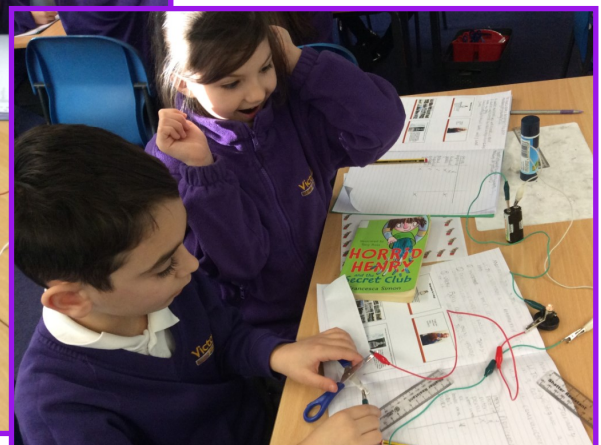
YEAR 5

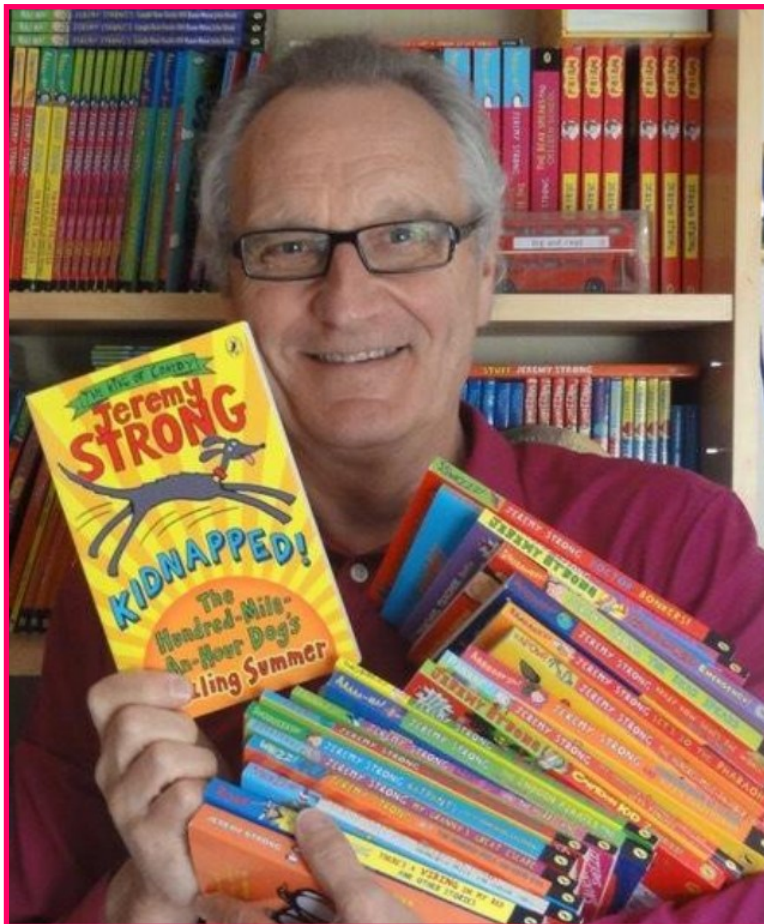


We have been taking inspiration from famous printers to create our own prints by engraving polystyrene slabs. 5B also took some inspiration from this terms fairground topic and incorporated this into their designs.



When you discover a conductor in your circuit!





In our year 2, 3 and 4 assembly today, we learned about a very funny author called Jeremy Strong. I shared some facts about him:

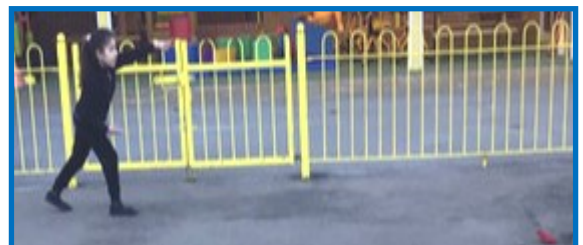
- He is known as the king of comedy!
- He didn't enjoy school when he was young
- He used to work in a doughnut factory.
- He has published more than 70 books.

The children are very excited to find out whether the dog saved the sandwiches that were floating down the river after the canoe chaos!

Have you read any books by Jeremy Strong? Come and tell me if you have read any of his books or if you want to recommend another author.



YEAR 2



This week in Year 2 PE we learnt how to make hula hoop dens. It wasn't easy and was a real test of our perseverance. But then we had to try to knock them down and make them as quick as we could again. We also played bean bag golf. We had a tee off point and had to try and get our bean bag into the hoop in the smallest number of throws. We continued to practise our underarm and chest pass throws. Year 2, you continue to amaze me!



Holding the trial of the
Big Bad Wolf who
viciously attacked three
defenceless pigs and
destroyed their houses.



YEAR 6



YEAR 1

We have been using the rekenreks to
make 7. We looked at how to split 7 apart
and then combine the parts again to make
the whole.



THIS WEEK'S SPORTING CHAMPIONS

- RA** **Annie-Rose McNally-Daniels-Buckland** for being really creative outside this week whilst creating her own obstacles for her and her friends to use.
- RB** **Spencer King** for following instructions in our pirate game.
- 1A** **Sasha Smirnova** for demonstrating super skills in basketball.
- 1B** **Ofelia Maszkowska** for learning and performing the dances well in rehearsals for our performance.
- 2A** **Maria Moderatu** for excellent defence skills when playing Bench ball. She is also catching balls with accuracy and helping her team win the game!
- 2B** **Dawid Hulboj** for his amazing under-arm throws.
- 3A** **Freddie Foster-Reed** for superb power and accuracy when shooting in Football.
- 3B** **Shakai Brown** for excellent shooting and dribbling skills in Football.
- 4A** **Jack Griggs** for demonstrating excellent technique in swimming.
- 4B** **Jessica Kownacka** for demonstrating great dribbling skills in football.
- 5A** All children swam wonderfully this week! Special mentions to **Mustafa Ali** for conquering his fear of the deep end, **Kevin Bazley** for working really hard all lesson and **Emaan Ali** for swimming without floats!
- 5B** **Eshan Abbas** for great defending skills in tag rugby.
- 6A** **Laura Holland** for her effort and perseverance in the daily mile.
- 6B** **Kaycee- Mattie Wung** for her enthusiasm in sports.



More fun at
gymnastics club
tonight!