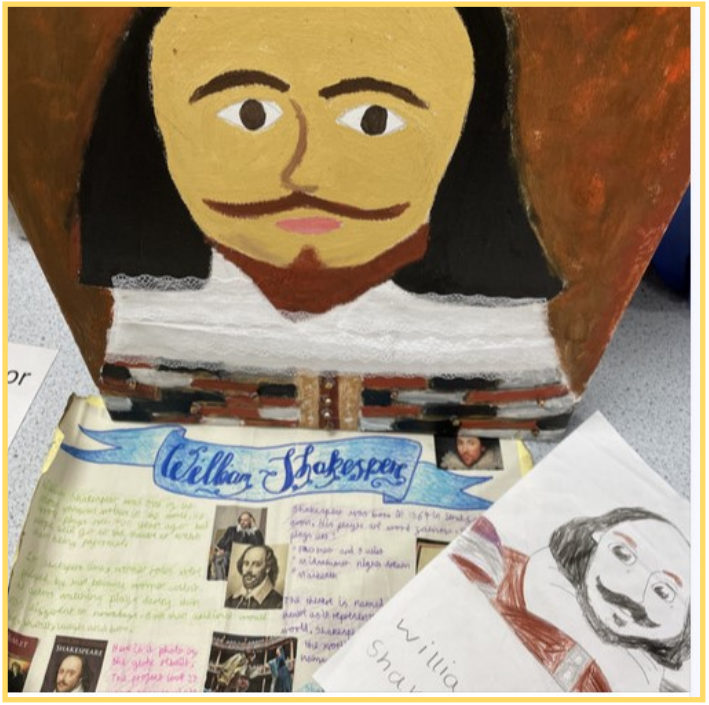
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Victoria Primary Academy



A huge well done to the children who entered the William Shakespeare competition to celebrate the 23rd April William Shakespeare Day! All entries, as they were such high quality, got a small prize.

So well done in **Years 3 – 6** to….Darryl 4B, Julia 5B, Phutthi 6A, Kacper 6A, Ruby 5B, Lacey 5B, Cristian 5B, Jessica 4B, Abu – Bakr Hasan 4A, Olus 4B **And in Years R – 2** to …. Jinay 1B, Sahasra 1B, Dimarco 1A, Abdul 1A, Kayson 1A, Silver 1A, Aadya 1A, Omari 1A, Reshika 1A, Sofia RB, Sri RB, Gabriella 2A.

The main winners of the big prizes are……
Sri from RB and two winners for Yr. 3 – 6 Abu-Bakr Hasan 4A and Olus 4B, as Mrs Wood just couldn't decide between them!!

Class Photos

Your recent group photograph is now ready to view and purchase at https://htmp.st/VictoriaPrimaryAcademy

There will be a free "deliver to school" option open for approximately 14 days, otherwise home delivery is available for £5 postage and packing.

If you need assistance please call 01736 751555 (option 5) or click on contact *Tempest* on their home page.

Have a good weekend!

H. Scargill

Principal

Diary Dates

Wednesday, 25th May

Online safety officer visit to all year groups

Friday, 27th May

Jubilee Celebrations in school

Final day for Jubilee competition entries

Last day of term

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Close up of the Knife Angel, see page 6

HOUSE POINTS		
HOUSE	WEEKLY POINTS	RUNNING TOTAL
Balmoral	2017	3616
Buckingham	2165	3946
Kensington	2207	4185
Osborne	2210	3986
Windsor	2202	3990

Top house of the week!

OSBORNE

Weekly attendance update		
Miss Holmes	RA	88.8
Miss Addison-Bruce	RB	88.4
Mrs Hensman	1A	92.5
Miss Gent	1B	95.0
Mrs Walmsley	2A	94.2
Miss Seabridge	2B	91.7
Mr Tyson	3A	87.5
Mr Mepham	3B	91.1
Mrs Embling	4A	91.7
Miss Slow	4B	98.3
Mrs Bellamy	5A	97.9
Miss Smith	5B	95.8
Miss Costanzo	6A	96.7
Mrs Stephenson	6B	96.7

1st place

2nd place

3rd place

WHOLE SCHOOL WEEKLY AVERAGE **94.1%**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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.

01933 223323

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.

Term Time Holidays

Parents/Carers are **not legally** entitled to take their child on holiday or away 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.

What reasons for absence will the school accept?

The Department for Education (DfE) asks schools to identify the reasons a child is absent from school.

Authorised absences are for:

- Genuine illness (if you are in any doubt as to whether you should keep your child off contact school and we can advise you.)
- **Emergency** dental / medical appointments (routine appointments must be made out of school hours)
- 1 Day of religious observance
- Family bereavement.

Exceptional Leave of Absence (only when prior approval has been given by the Principal)

Other absences will be recorded as unauthorised.

The school will not authorise absence for day trips, birthdays, visiting relatives, waiting in for deliveries, tiredness due to a late night, airport drop offs/collections.

Please note any absences occurring either side of school holidays will require medical proof of illness, otherwise the absence may be marked as unauthorised.

VICTASTIC CERTIFICATES AWARDED TO. . . . . .

Miss Holmes	**Enoch Enigbokan** for his fantastic Maths this week, talking about what patterns he could see in groups of objects. **Annie-Rose McNally-Daniels-Buckland** for her excellent writing this week writing about what she can see on her journey home.
Miss Addison-Bruce	**Spencer King** for working on his writing and trying hard. **Frieda Watson** for gaining confidence in her reading and writing.
Mrs Hensman	**Darius- Florin Mirea** for being an amazing partner to his friends. He has demonstrated brilliant partner work in phonics and on the carpet in maths. He has helped his partners and explained to them what they need to do to help them in their learning. **Nithu Thusanthan** for consistently completing her home learning every week.
Miss Gent	**Kaenan Taylor** for his efforts in maths this week, accurately using a 100 square to support his subtraction within 100 learning this week! Well Done Kaenan. **Ofelia Maszkowska** for her efforts in phonics with Miss Gent this week, focused and ready to learn. Well Done ☺
Mrs Walmsley **Mrs Brindle**	**Rosie Cooper** for working hard both at school and at home, particularly in maths. She is focussed and always doing her best. **Sullie Hadley** for consistently working hard at home learning tasks. He has demonstrated good understanding and has clearly enjoyed his achievements.
Miss Seabridge	**Aisha Chaudhry** for being the best role model. Aisha always follows all of our school rules and models our a social norms perfectly. **Ricards Jegorovs** for his excellent observational drawing in Connected Curriculum. Ricards used a sketching pencil and pastels to draw a detailed leaf.
Mr Tyson	**Sebastian Najwer** for consistently challenging himself to improve his work in both Maths and English. **Lilly Pollard** for being an excellent role model and helping others.
Mr Mepham	**Ola Patalan** for using a range of adjectives to create imagery for the reader. **Habiba Khanom** for using a range of adjectives to create imagery for the reader.
Mrs Embling	**Jake Holland** for a fabulous sentence in sentence stacking. **Kacper Kaminski** for his super effort dividing decimals by 10 and 100.
Mrs Slow	**Olivier Nowak** for being patient and helping others. **Bentley Hoy** for being patient and helping others.
Mrs Bellamy	**Lucy Bothamley** for improvement in her maths skills especially using the column method to add and subtract decimals. **Mustafa Ali** for good contribution to class.
Miss Smith	**Olivia Grzesiak** for great effort and contribution in class. **Blazej Kalinowski** for being a great role model and friend.
Miss Costanzo	**Clementine Malaka** for enthusiasm and effort in English. **Heer Patel** for perseverance in maths.
Mrs Stevenson	**Amahle Dube** for settling in to the school and demonstrating a fantastic work ethic. **Maria Khanom** for learning the year 6 common exception words and use them in context.

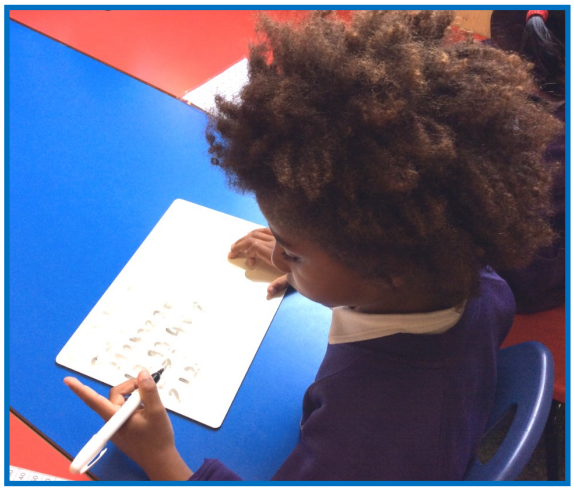
CLASSROOM NEWS

The gingerbread man!

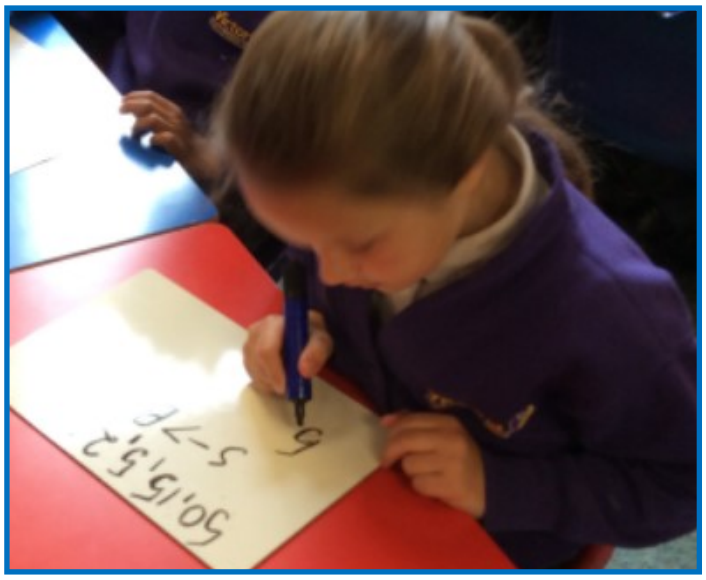
I managed to catch the gingerbread man! I brought him into school but he has escaped! The office found this photo of him leaving school!!

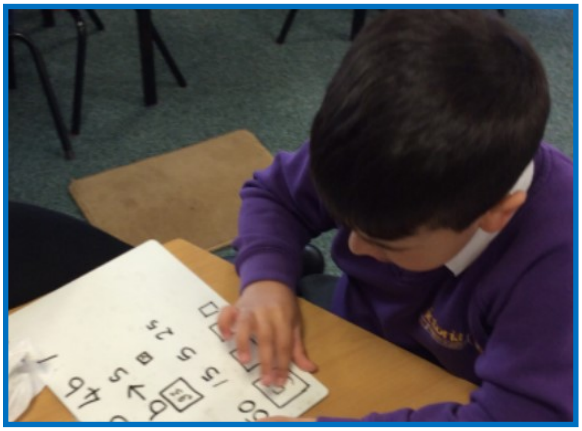
Keep an eye out and let me know if you see him. I know he likes to send postcards so hopefully we will receive something in the post from him to let us know where he has gone!

Miss Holmes, Reception



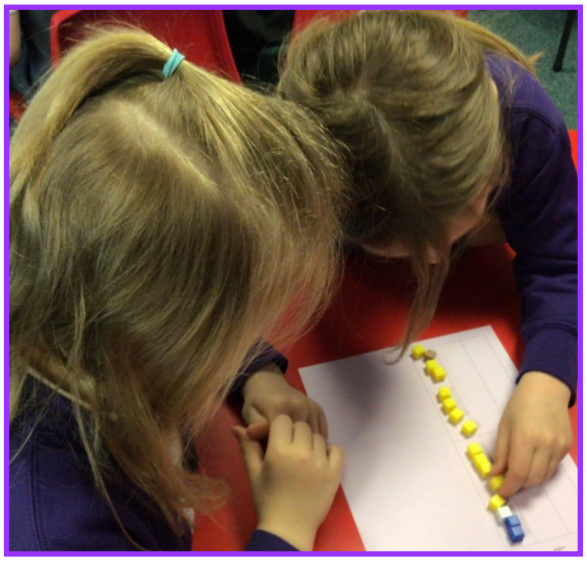
Year 1 have been learning how to order numbers within 100, we were ordering from smallest to biggest and from biggest to smallest!





CLASSROOM NEWS

Year 2: We have been learning that a quarter is half of a half. We have been using a bar model to help us. First we put the counters in the whole, then we found a half, then we halved the half again to find a quarter. Fantastic work children!



Year 5 have been making the most of the weather this week. On the playground, we mapped and sketched out the playground and the equipment as part of our connected curriculum topic.

Knife Angel

The statue created by artist Alfie Bradley is made of over 100,000 knives collected at knife amnesties and is a vehicle to voice the concerns of the nation, its communities, families, and the victims that have tragically been affected.

The Knife Angel's arrival, under the 'Save a Life, Surrender your Knife' campaign, aims to spearhead change and ensure there is more focus on:

Early intervention: Awareness raising: Education

Off the Streets Community Day is going ahead on 14th May, at the Old Grammarians Fields.

"The Knife Angel statue will also be here for a while following a short peaceful march from 11am, starting from Queensway Field, Shelley Road, Basketball Courts to Old Grammarians fields. This statue is a piece of modern day history in the making and they have arranged for video enabled drones to capture the day. The celebrations will continue and we have a variety of entertainment planned along with plenty of activities for children.

Come along and show your support. Our key objective of the day is for everyone to have fun but also recognise change doesn't happen unless we all work together.

Yesterday, our Year 6 students were visited by Anna Letts, an Inclusion officer from Premier League Kicks anti-crime project— Northampton Town F.C. Community Trust.

She delivered a workshop about Knife Angel. All the children made a pledge to "Stand Against Violence"

Jubilee Day!

In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a **Platinum Jubilee** after 70 years of service. At Victoria we will be marking this day with our very own Jubilee Day celebrations! **It will be on Friday 27th May 2022.**

A Hat fit for Royalty!

Can you design and make a hat fit for royalty?

This hat can have all the sparkles, jewels and gems you wish! You can wear your hat on our parade and the best hat in each class will win a royal prize!

We cannot wait to see your wonderful creative hats!

All entrants get a Victastic point.

Deadline for entries: Friday 27th May

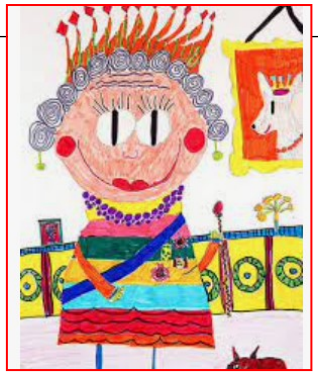
Queen Elizabeth II Portrait Competition

Can you draw, paint, collage a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II?

It can be any size, use any material and resources. You can be as creative as you like, it just has to be a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II.

Two winners will be selected one from Year R – 2 and one from Year 3 – 6.

The winning portraits will be framed and put on display in the school.



Submit your portraits to your class teacher.

All entrants will get a Victastic point

Deadline for entries: Thursday 26th May

Lastly, we would like to invite all parents and carers to a class Jubilee party!

It will be held in the children's classes on the **Friday 27th May** between **2:40 -3/3:05 pm** depending on when your child finishes. Come and see the work your child will have made on the day and celebrate with free biscuits and refreshments! We would love to see you there.

THE EMOTIONAL CUP

Some ways that children deal with having an empty cup:

- Steal from other people's cups
- Misbehave to get your attention and show that they need a refill
- Seem to have bottomless cups, or need constant 'topping off'
- Can't sit still for refills or actively refuse them
- Bounce off the walls when they approach 'empty'
- Think they have to fight or compete for every refill

What fills a child's cup:

- Play
- Friendship
- One-on-one time
- Love and affection
- Connection
- Succeeding
- Doing what they love

What empties a child's cup:

- Stress and strain
- Rejection by peers
- Loneliness and isolation
- Yelling and punishment
- Failing
- Fatigue
- Doing what they hate

CAMHS

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING CHAMPIONS	
RA	**Patryk Zolnacz** for his super demonstrating this week of sneaking and slithering.
RB	**Robert Kallo** for trying hard with his balancing.
1A	**Lacie Dawson** for her brilliant hand/eye co-ordination during a ball skills lesson. She watched carefully where she was throwing the ball and had her hands ready to catch the ball.
1B	**Mikolaj Wolniak** for his efforts in gymnastics this week.
2A	**Vivien Runiewicz- Mika** for her excellence in performing and holding gymnastic shapes.
2B	**Kacper Kaliszewski** for showing great persistence in our football PE lesson. Kacper's job as a defender was to stop the attackers from scoring points and he kept trying even though it was difficult as there were three attackers.
3A	**Aidan Dube** for developing his catching and throwing skills in Tag Rugby.
3B	**Laima Gimbore** for developing her balance, coordination and agility skills in Tag Rugby.
4A	**Austin Harrison** for excellent work investigating pulse during exercise.
4B	**Mafuz Nazim** for working well in a team.
5A	**Jaxon Moore** for displaying great catching skills in cricket this week.
5B	**Ruby Cooper** for using the Victoria value of responsibility and continually trying to beat her javelin throw record.
6A	**Sarah Khan** for great rugby skills.
6B	**Sarah Maczka** for rugby skills and team work.

After-School Club Activities

Lego Club	Monday	Year R—6
Cooking Club	Tuesday	Year 3—6
Gardening Club	Wednesday	Year R—6
Cooking Club	Thursday	Reception, 1 & 2
Team Games	Friday	Year R—6

School Sports Clubs

Athletics	Monday	Year 3—6
Cricket	Monday	Year R, 1 & 2
Football	Tuesday	Year 3—6
Football	Wednesday	Year R, 1 & 2
Dance	Thursday	Year R, 1 & 2
Rugby	Friday	Year 3—6