



# Victoria Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term 2

Friday, 4th November 2022

## Diary Dates

- 09/11 Flu vaccinations
- 17/11 Individual school photos
- 18/11 Children in Need
- 22/11 Year 4 Concert at the Castle



On Thursday, 20th October all classes took part in voting for a new school councillor.

They had to give their name, collect their ballot paper and then vote for one of the candidates.

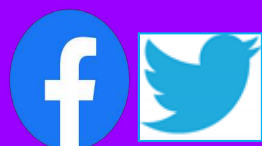
See page 2 for our newly elected school councillors.

***We are now selling merchandise on behalf of the Royal British Legion for Poppy Day.***

Come to the office after school to see what we've got. There are limited supplies so, first come, first served!



Remembrance Day is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth member states since the end of the First World War ***to honour armed forces members who have died in the line of duty. Remembrance Day is on Friday, 11th November.***



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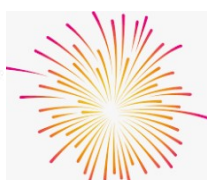
-PTA  
competition

Poetry  
competition

Don't miss out  
on fabulous

***Stay safe if you are enjoying fireworks this weekend.***

H. Scargill  
Principal



We hope to be receiving weekly food parcels from Tesco within the next few weeks. If you and your family are struggling and would like to be considered to receive a food parcel, please email Mrs Spruce on: [sprucer@victoriaprimarvacademy.org.uk](mailto:sprucer@victoriaprimarvacademy.org.uk) or come to the office. This will be completely confidential.

# SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION DAY THURSDAY, 20TH OCTOBER



On the way to vote .....

## School Council Oath

"I whole-heartedly and sincerely promise that I will serve and represent the ideas and voice of the children of Victoria Primary Academy. I will do this with fairness, and honesty, and represent the views of all equally and respectfully.

I will do my best to carry out all my duties to the best of my ability. "

## Congratulations to our new Councillors:

Year R	Idris Qureshi, Shaylan Pink
Year 1	Diyaan Vegad, Emily Hawthorne
Year 2	Kaja Drzewiecka, Kaenan Taylor
Year 3	Gabriela Lamsa, Hanna Latusek
Year 4	Vicky Patyk, Aiden Dube
Year 5	Darryl Wung, Jake Holland
Year 6	Olivier Wilczkowski, Izabela Savu



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The Education Entitlement Team at Northamptonshire County Council are aware of all unauthorised absence of more than 5 days, taken at one time or accumulated throughout the term, and you may be liable for a **fixed penalty fine or further action.**

If your child is not able to attend school, please telephone to inform us by 9.00am or send a parent mail.  
**01933 223323.**

**Our expectation is that pupils attend school every day for every session.** We believe that regular, uninterrupted attendance secures the best possible learning achievement for all our children and we are committed to working in partnership with families to achieve this.

Schools are expected to monitor all pupils' attendance records closely and to share these with the Local Authority and with the next school when pupils transfer.

**Attendance  
Target  
96%**

**Head teachers have no discretion to grant leave of absence during term time, unless there are genuinely exceptional circumstances.**

It is the responsibility of parents to contact the school in writing when requesting any leave for their children so that each case can be considered on an individual basis. *We have leave of absence forms in the office.*


**The following are examples of situations which *would not* be considered as exceptional (not exhaustive).**

- Family holiday/cheaper holiday dates
- Educational visits arranged by family members
- Attendance at a wedding or Christening
- Visiting relatives either abroad or in the UK
- Limitations on parents/carers' profession or place of work making it difficult to coincide school and work holidays.
- A family member or child going for medical treatment abroad

*If you are concerned about your child's attendance or have any questions, please speak to Mrs Westrep, Attendance Officer.*



# TOP HOUSE THIS WEEK

HOUSE	WEEKLY POINTS	RUNNING TOTAL
Balmoral	586	586
Buckingham	525	525
Kensington	561	561
Osborne	574	574
Windsor	 587	587

## CLASS ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK

Teacher	Class	%
Miss Holmes	RA	91.7
Mrs. Hensman	RB	90.1
Miss Malpas	1A	99.6
Miss Smith	1B	87.1
Mrs. Walmsley/Mrs. Brindle	2A	91.7
Miss Seabridge	2B	92.6
Mrs. Embling	3A	92.2
Miss Campbell	3B	90.0
Miss Slow	4A	96.7
Miss Gent/Mrs. Reeves	4B	97.9
Mr. Mephram	5A	98.3
Miss Husbands	5B	93.3
Miss Costanzo	6A	99.1
Mrs. Richardson	6B	97.1

Top house- weekly winner

**WINDSOR**



### KEY STAGE 1



Gold award Class 1A

### KEY STAGE 2



Gold award Class 6A



Silver award Class 5A



Bronze award Class 4B



WHOLE SCHOOL WEEKLY

AVERAGE **94.1%**

## VICTASTIC CERTIFICATES AWARDED TO.....

**Miss Holmes**

**Franco Vasile** for his fantastic phonics this week, identifying and reading all of our set one sounds independently!

**Sameera Ansary** for her super effort and enthusiasm this week in Maths. Sameera was able to create and solve lots of different number sentences without using any resources!

**Mrs Hensman**

**Sebastian Baies** for his amazing maths this week. He was asked to count 10 objects, he then realised he had 11 and he put one back to make 10.

**Daniel Gozdek** for his fabulous phonics work this week. He could match initial sounds to objects.

**Miss Malpas**

**Bella-Rose Holland** for being an aspirational learner, challenging herself in particular in maths.

**Yariel Gerald** for his attitude to learning. Yariel has made a huge change to his behaviour and has demonstrated how to be a Victastic learner!

**Miss Smith**

**Abigail Wojtowicz** for always showing determination in lessons and for showing kindness and respect to everyone.

**Martin Minkov** for fantastic listening and for working really well with the other children in the class.

**Mrs Walmsley**

**Daniil Apetrei** for thinking carefully about the features of our school grounds. You worked hard to identify physical and human features in our Geography lessons.

**Mrs Brindle**

**Lacie Dawson** for showing good listening skills. You listened carefully to 'The Slightly Annoying Elephant' by David Walliams and answered questions about it in our English lesson.

**Miss Seabridge**

**Nithu Thusanthan** for creating a masterpiece in art this week. She precisely painted small parts of shapes to create colour blocking.

**Dylan Clark** for working really hard this week to make sure he is following our social norms of sitting and listening.

**Mrs Embling**

**Dawid Hulboj** for working out the solutions to a Mathematical game.

**Gabriela Lamsa** for producing some great French phrases involving class stationary.

**Miss Campbell**

**Kuba Kosz** for working out the solutions to a mathematical game.

**Ava –Grace Hancock** for saying super French phrases related to classroom stationery colours.

**Miss Slow**

**Amora Pink and Alyssa Alexis:** for always following the school rules and helping adults in the classroom this week.

**Miss Gent**

**Ember Lamb** for her enthusiasm for learning this week and her enthusiasm in swimming with the biggest smile on her face throughout.

**Mrs Reeves**

**Xenia Apetrei** for working hard this week, especially her contributions in Science. Well Done Xenia.

**Mr Mephram**

**Olus Kopaczek** for his outstanding knowledge organiser design that he completed for his homework.

**Luana Aires** for her excellent use of questioning during our problem solving activities this week.

**Miss Husbands**

**Gracie Cooper** for amazing contributions in all lessons.

**Lidia Stakiewicz** for always making the right choices and being an excellent role model for the rest of the class.

**Miss Costanzo**

**Freddie Garcia Davis** for his amazing work in English.

**Amelia Adikou** for persevering with division in maths.

**Mrs Richardson**

**William Jones** for demonstrating care and compassion for other children, in his own class and others – truly wonderful to see.

**Matthew Newton** for excellent explanations in maths this week.

# Word of the week

*This is a word that the children are taught about and is one of our school values. See if you can use this word with your child this week. What do they understand by it?*

## Democracy

A system of government by the whole population or all the eligible members of a state, typically through elected representatives.

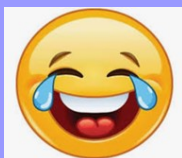
It is a noun.

From the Greek 'demos' meaning people and 'kratos' meaning power and rule.

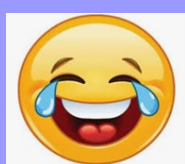
In assemblies this week have been discussing Democracy and that it means 'rule of the people'. We have been thinking about 'How do we show democracy at school?' This week also sees the 5<sup>th</sup> November Bonfire Night celebrations which marks the anniversary of the night Guy Fawkes tried to blow up the House of Parliament. We have been thinking about how this event links to the concept of Democracy.



How do we show democracy at school?



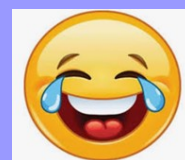
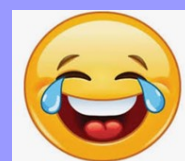
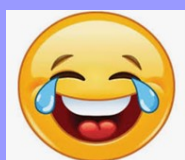
## Jokes of the week



WHY COULDN'T THE  
PONY SING A LULLABY?

She was a little horse.

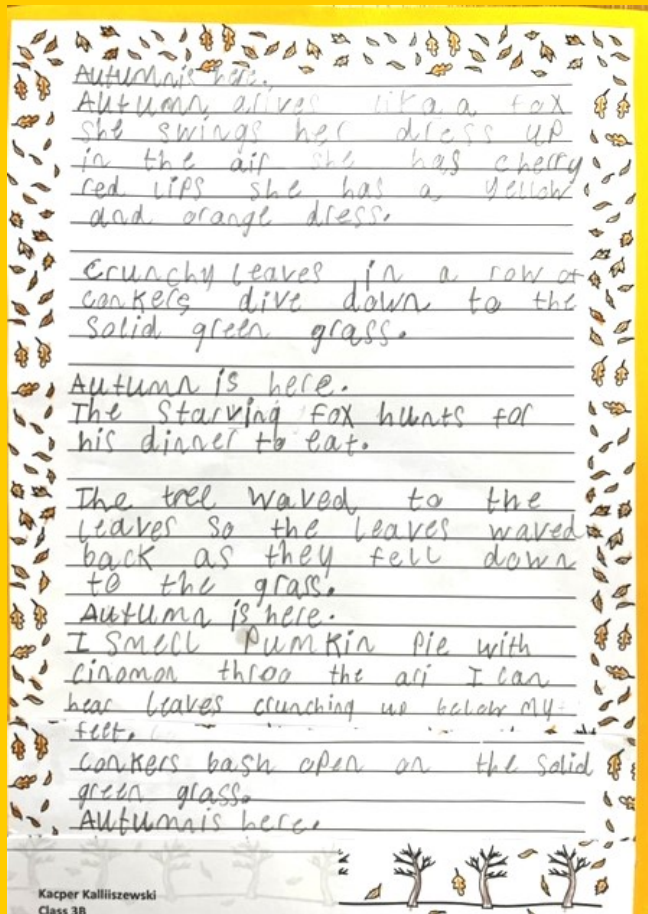
Why did the cracker  
go the doctor?  
It felt crummy.



Do you have any good jokes you think we'd enjoy? Bring them to the office!



# GOLDEN BOOK



The class teachers were very impressed with these Autumn poems using poetic features.

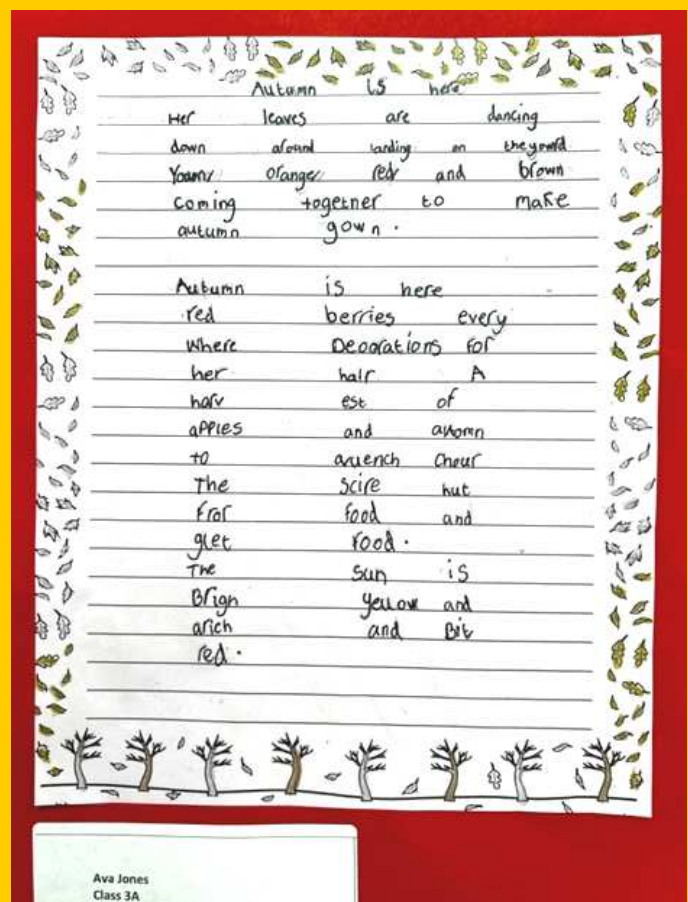
They have used similes, personification, alliteration and onomatopoeia.

The poems have been beautifully written and presented.

Kacper Kaliszewski

Class 3B

***"I am proud of my work and to be in the Golden Book."***



Ava Jones

Class 3A

***"I am very pleased to be in the Golden Book"***



**BBC**  
**Children  
in Need**

## NOTICEBOARD

Friday, 18th November

For a donation of £1.00 (or more),  
come to school in something **SPOTTY**



The theme this year is  
**The Great SPOTacular!**

The children (and staff)  
may come to school in  
mufti. Please wear  
something **SPOTTY**



# Win BIG Teddy



On the day bring in 50p to be entered into  
the Big Teddy Raffle prize.

The winner will be drawn on the day and can  
take home this adorable, cuddly big teddy!

# Cake Sale



Buy or bake a cake for our **Children in Need Cake Sale**.

Please bring them along on the day to the office  
to be sold after school at 3:15 in the playground.

**All money raised to Children in Need.**

Please ensure **NO NUTS!!!** Label the cakes  
ingredients to help anyone with allergies.

You can find us on Facebook on  
[@VictoriaPrimaryAcademy](#)



[@vicpriac](#)





## PUMPKIN COMPETITION

We've had some splendid entries to our Pumpkin Photo Competition.

Thank you to everyone who entered.

Our school councillors will be judging the entries next week and prizes will be awarded on Friday, 11th November.

## R.E. POETRY COMPETITION

Mrs Hensman is the Religious Education (RE) Leader at Victoria Primary Academy.

She is running a poetry competition for all children to take part in.

The children can write a short poem and upload it onto class dojo - the only criteria is that **the first and final sentences of the poem have to be the same.**



***The important thing about R.E. is exploring different faiths.***

*It is about belonging*

*It is about understanding*

*It is about respect*

*It is about celebration.*

***The important thing about R.E. is exploring different faiths.***

Our younger children may ask a grown up to help with writing down their ideas.

**Deadline: Friday 18th November**

***There will be a prize for the most creative poem.***

Here is an example of a poem where the first and last sentence is the same.

# THIS WEEK'S SPORTING CHAMPIONS

<b>1A</b>	<b>Enoch Enigbokan</b> for fantastic listening and cooperation in our warm up game. Enoch tried really hard with throwing and catching and this has improved across the weeks.
<b>1B</b>	<b>Lena Zajdel</b> for showing amazing throwing and catching skills and for always being a team player.
<b>2A</b>	<b>Kaja Drzewiecka</b> for showing fantastic enthusiasm and coordination in our dance lesson. Well done!
<b>2B</b>	<b>Jagoda Zolnacz</b> for trying really hard this week in PE when we practiced our balancing skills.
<b>3A</b>	<b>Wafri Jawfer</b> for performing a sequence of 5 movements in gymnastics.
<b>3B</b>	<b>Jumana Al-Husseini</b> for producing a gymnastic sequence involving 5 movements. Well done Jumana!
<b>4A</b>	<b>Janis Kaveckis</b> for his enthusiasm this week in PE! Well Done Janis!
<b>4B</b>	<b>Gloria Pop</b> for her resilience and bravery during swimming this week! Keep going Gloria!
<b>5A</b>	<b>Olivia Okelola</b> for her perseverance when practicing her passing and receiving skills in netball.
<b>5B</b>	<b>Berenika Mielniczuk</b> for superb interception skills in netball.
<b>6A</b>	<b>Asante Nehesy</b> for brilliant work playing netball.
<b>6B</b>	<b>Jessica Gent</b> for awesome effort playing centre in netball.