



Victoria Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

Summer Term 2

Friday, 21st April 2023

Diary Dates

**Monday, 24th
April**

Year 4 Residential
trip

to Kingswood,
Cromer (3 days)

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Friday, 16th June

Year 3 Trip to
London to The
London
Symphony
Orchestra

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**Wednesday,
28th June**

Year 6 Trip to
London, Natural
History Museum
and "Wicked" at
the Victoria
Apollo



Welcome back to the Summer term which, as usual, promises to be a busy one.

If you were at the Swansgate Centre over the holiday period, you may have spotted the decorated eggs which were part of the Easter decorations. They were the creative work of our Year 1 children and they looked great.

Well done!

Parent questionnaire

We were very pleased with the results of our parent questionnaire which we asked you to complete after the parent consultation evenings. Thank you to all those who handed in a completed form.

From Monday next week, in response to feedback concerning the main gate in the mornings, Year 1 children will enter the school in the morning through their green gate next to their classroom, the same gate they leave by in the afternoons. Hopefully, this will alleviate some of the congestion.

Still with Year 1, meet Mrs Wood, the new class teacher in 1A for the Summer Term. Mrs Wood has been a teacher for over 12 years and has worked at Victoria for the last 2 years. She also leads the organisation of cultural events across the school, and is a committee member of the Parent Teacher Association.



Have a great weekend!

Morning routine at the Academy

8.40am	There is staff supervision on the playground from this time. Please do not leave your child unattended before then.
8.45am	Whistle blows! Children come inside and go to their classroom. GATE CLOSES
8.50am	Registers are taken in the classroom.
8.55am	Children move to their first lesson.

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

Attendance Target 96%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The world is run by those who turn up.

Attending school every day = 100% attendance

Attending 4½ days a week = 90% attendance = 4 weeks missed per year.

Attending 4 days a week = 80% attendance = more than half a term missed per year or 2 full years missed over the course of their school career.

Attending 3½ days each week = 70% attendance = more than a quarter of the school year missed. An average attendance of 80% or less across a child's school career adds up to missing a whole 2 years from school .

Being late for school reduces learning time.

- If your child is 5 minutes late every day they will miss over three days of learning each year.
- If your child is 15 minutes late every day they will miss is 2 weeks of learning each year. Make every minute count.

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.

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.



TOP HOUSE THIS WEEK

HOUSE	WEEKLY POINTS	RUNNING TOTAL
Balmoral	617	617
Buckingham	561	561
Kensington	590	590
Osborne	604	604
Windsor 	620	620

**HOUSE
POINTS**

Top house
Weekly Winner
Windsor



CLASS ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK

Teacher	Class	%
Miss Holmes	RA	90.0
Mrs. Hensman	RB	95.0
Mrs Wood	1A	90.2
Miss Smith	1B	96.6
Mrs. Walmsley/Mrs. Brindle	2A	85.3
Miss Seabridge	2B	93.3
Mrs. Embling	3A	95.7
Miss Campbell	3B	95.7
Miss Slow	4A	92.9
Mrs. Reeves	4B	94.8
Mr. Morris	5A	90.8
Miss Husbands	5B	94.8
Miss Costanzo	6A	94.2
Mrs. Richardson	6B	94.4

Key Stage 1



1st place, Class 1B



Key stage 2



1st place, Class 3A



= 1st place, class 3B



WHOLE SCHOOL WEEKLY AVERAGE

93.2%



VICTASTIC CERTIFICATES AWARDED TO.

Miss Holmes	<p>Jamie Brandon for his fantastic learning and enthusiasm in maths this week. Jamie was able to identify doubles independently and could explain what a double is.</p> <p>Sofia Simionof for her amazing attitude to learning this week, trying her hardest with everything she has completed and making all of the adults really proud!</p>
Mrs Hensman	<p>George Stovold for brilliant work on doubling in maths this week. He was able to spot doubles and say when a die pattern wasn't a double.</p> <p>Aiza Asad for amazing work in phonics this week. She has been reading green word cards with confidence.</p>
Mrs Wood	<p>Spencer King for super singing in music lessons.</p> <p>Olivia Liporada for using interesting adjectives and deepening the moment in her writing.</p>
Miss Smith	<p>Michael Shotunde for great work in maths this week and for showing determination and perseverance.</p> <p>Magdalena Jagiello for writing fantastic sentences in English this week and for super listening.</p>
Mrs Walmsley Mrs Brindle	<p>Bryan Nwanguma for a really positive start at Victoria Primary. Keep it up.</p> <p>Charlie Stovold for confidently sharing his ideas about positive relationships during PSHE lessons. It has been fantastic to hear your ideas and opinions Charlie!</p>
Miss Seabridge	<p>Aadya Tummala for her excellent home learning. Aadya has created a poster for science which explores seeds and how they grow into plants.</p> <p>AJ Amoah for trying his best with his super smart sitting. He has been sitting amazingly with his crossed legs and his hands in his lap.</p>
Mrs Embling	<p>Emily Bazley for her amazing effort at our visit to Chester House.</p> <p>James Hedges for sharing his super knowledge about the Romans.</p>
Miss Campbell	<p>Gabriella McLaren for her use of super painting techniques in Art to design a gradient and a wash using watercolours.</p> <p>Lovia Manu Baiden for her super painting skills in Art to design a gradient and a wash using watercolours.</p>
Miss Slow	<p>Nastia Cieniuch for her creative input when making a whole class structure and for helping others.</p> <p>Sean Nwanguma for a fantastic first week at Victoria. Sean has settled in really well and has shared some great ideas in class discussions.</p>
Mrs Reeves	<p>Freddie Foster-Reed for his creative input when making a whole class structure.</p> <p>Esmee Bellamy for helping other children when creating a whole class structure.</p>
Mr Morris	<p>Roza Stankiewicz and Phoebe Maxwell, both for persistently trying hard in all lessons and pushing themselves to excel.</p>
Miss Husbands	<p>Bentley Hoy for making a great start to the term and producing excellent work.</p> <p>Lidia Stankiewicz for being an excellent role model , consistently demonstrating the school values.</p>
Miss Costanzo	<p>Kaira Newby for her amazing maths work this week.</p> <p>Aleeza Begum for her incredible acting skills in Macbeth.</p>
Mrs Richardson	<p>Viviana Sirbu for excellent use of Oracy strategies in RE.</p> <p>Zachary Okakoi for settling in well and working super hard.</p>

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING CHAMPIONS

RA

Elena Iova for her excellent coordination this week whilst navigating through the obstacle course outside.

RB

Anastasia Stavarachi for demonstrating fantastic co-ordination. She could put together a sequence of moves.

1A

Ivy-Rose for playing collaboratively in team games.

1B

Elisha Sahue for always being a team player and for showing fantastic listening skills.

2A

Pearl Sahue for her amazing hula - hooping skills on the playground. You really are the hula - hooping queen!

2B

Justin Savu for playing nicely with others on the playground, joining in with games and outdoor activities.

3A

Fiza Shahid for her enthusiasm when playing dodgeball.

3B

Kacper Kaliszewski for his accurate throwing and dodging skills in Dodgeball.

4A

Adrian Ciesielski for great perseverance during athletics.

4B

Sebastian Najwer for outstanding effort in athletics. Even when he was injured, he carried on and worked well in a team.

5A

Darryl Wung for using his exceptional gymnastics skills to help others this week.

5B

Gracie Cooper for always having an excellent attitude towards PE.

6A

Nadia Mazsar for her fabulous tennis skills.

6B

Farida Alasanne Madijidou for perseverance in rugby.

Year 3 visit to Chester House, Thursday, 20th April 2023

Year 3 had an amazing Educational Visit to Chester house to learn all about The Romans. We began the morning with our Roman workshop. Here, the children took part in 3 activities:

1. Observational Task based on Roman Pottery

The children had to make observational drawings of their pottery, weigh it, describe it and calculate the size of the rim using their rim guides.

2. Make A Clay Roman Lamp

3. Curse Like A Roman

Here, the children recorded the Latin alphabet and wrote their own curses. They then used Roman ink (aka mud and water!) to scribe their Roman curses. Some of them were hilarious!

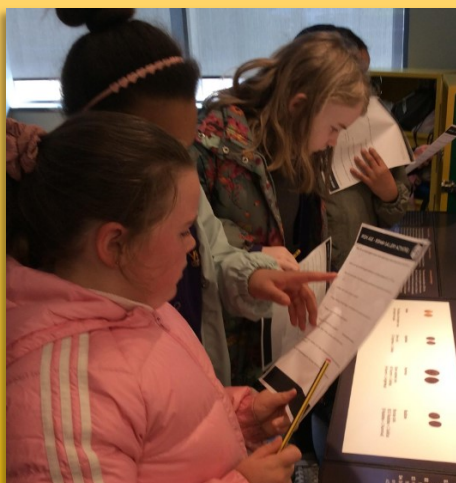
After that, the children went on a tour of the Museum to find the answers to their Roman quiz questions. They learnt a lot of new interesting Roman facts. Ask your child how many Roman facts they can remember? We then enjoyed a picnic lunch outside in the cobbled courtyard. After lunch, the children had a quick 10 minutes in the play area before setting off onto the fields of Chester House. Here, the children split into 5 teams to locate The Roman Town that was there during the Roman period. They used the actual Geophysical Survey Map to locate each area of the Roman Town alongside a map of the grounds. They identified:

1. The Bath House
2. The Eastern Gate
3. The Temple
4. The Mansio (a large mansion type house)
5. Wooden Fortlet
6. Trench
7. Iron Age Farmstead

Just before we returned to Chester House itself, the children had to identify smells from the past too. As we re-entered Chester House, the children were able to see the archaeological site where the artefacts were excavated from. It was a bit of a Wow moment!

And before we knew it, our coach had arrived and it was time to return home. The children really had the most amazing day. It was definitely one of the best trips that I have ever been on. It actually felt like we went to Rome and back in a day!

Thank you children for behaving so beautifully, you made us all feel very proud!



NOTICEBOARD

An adventure to remember



An adventure to remember, a taste of independence, a rush of adrenaline, a breath of fresh air, a sense of achievement and making memories that last a lifetime.

Next week, some of our Year 4 children will be going on an activity residential for 3 days at Overstrand Hall in Norfolk, together with 4 members of staff.

We can't wait to hear all about it when they return to school on Thursday!



Norfolk

Overstrand Hall is nestled right beside the beach in a beautiful area of North Norfolk, in a breath-taking rural setting that's perfect for adventure.



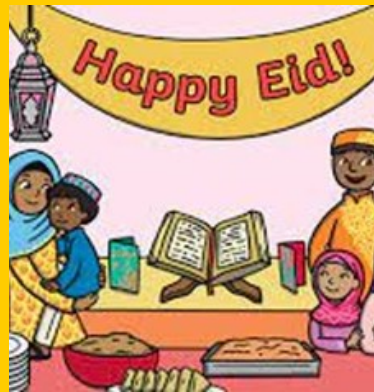
We are also very excited to hear how our swimmers are getting on, as they are taking part in a Primary Schools Swimming Gala in Derby today.

Children from years 5 and 6 have been selected to represent Victoria Primary in the Gala. They set off this morning at 11.00am and are travelling in style to the venue, stopping on the way for a lunch break.

It already looks as though they are having a good time!



In Assemblies this week we have been learning about Eid al-Fitr or the Festival of Sweets, which is the earlier of the two official holidays celebrated within Islam (the other being Eid al-Adha). We have linked this learning to the British Value of Tolerance where we learn about different faiths and beliefs.



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?

Gratitude

It is noun.

Origin Latin 'gatus' and medieval latin 'gratitudo.

It is a conscious positive emotion one can express when feeling thankful for something whether tangible or intangible.

What are
you grateful
for?

Jokes of the week



WHAT DO YOU SAY
TO A RABBIT ON
ITS BIRTHDAY?

Hoppy Birthday!

WHAT DID THE OCEAN
SAY TO THE PIRATE?

Nothing, it just waved.