# VICTORIA JUNIOR SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER

Friday, 11th October 2024

### Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another couple of busy weeks at Victoria Junior School! On Friday, 11th October, we had to evacuate the school building due to a gas leak. We appreciate all the support we received from parents and carers and always learn from these scenarios. Our main concern was to keep everyone safe and to ensure the children were released back to their families. Please be assured that the leak is safely sealed. You should be proud of your children who listened to instructions and were very sensible. A big well done to everyone! October is a very important month where we focus on inspirational black people from the past and from the present. Year 6 are well into their History topic -Maafa, which gives children the opportunity to explore Africa's past and present and the development of the slave trade. It also explores Britain's role in the transatlantic slave trade, the causes and consequences of the European colonisation of Africa and the worldwide communities that make up the African diaspora. A recent assembly gave pupils the opportunity to find out about wellknown people like Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela, as well as those who live/lived closer to home such as Mo Farah and Sheldon Thomas.

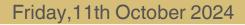
Dates for your diary 17th October: Reach are
visiting Year 6
October/November:
Bikeability for Year 6 (See
dates below)
Black History Month:
October
Parents Consultations
Tuesday 19th November 3.30 - 5.00 pm
Thursday 21st November 3.30 - 7.00 pm
Diwali: 1st November

#### Reminders:

- Friday 25th October INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
- Monday 28th October to Friday
   1st November Half Term
   Holiday
- 31st October 2024 is the last day to apply for a Secondary school for your child. Please see our last newsletter for more details or go

https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/





Recognitions

Each week, children will be given a target to focus on.

Last week, the pupils focused on 'Showing Curiosity'.

This week, pupils have been focusing on 'Acts of Kindness'.

Please celebrate the fantastic effort your children have been putting into their targets and see below those children who received certificates.

These children will be celebrated in our Friday assembly each week. They will also come home with a special certificate.

Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Ash	Fatima	Ebony	Gaatri & Albie	Magnolia	Ayman & Adil	Cherry	Asil & Katie
Oak	Devaansh & Elizabeth	Beech	Raafiyah & Sophie	Willow	Ayoo & Poppy	Laurel	Hridaan & Yasmi
Elm	Aydin & Devarsh	Rowan	Maysoun & Jessica	Holly	Aatiq & Eser	Chestnut	Alex & Evie















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### <u>Year 5/6 Girls Football Festiva</u>l <u>Mr Tavey</u>

Springwest Academy was the venue for our 1st Sports competition of the year which took place on Thursday last - 10th October. The girls showcased tremendous levels of effort and determination and acquitted themselves, and the school, with pride and honour.

Over the course of the festival, which comprised of a carousel of games and activities, the girls all had ample opportunity to demonstrate their ever growing range of skills and attributes. We urge all parents, and teachers, to continue to provide our students with character building opportunities such as this.

Well done again to Basma, Evie-Rose, Daisy, Hanna, Antonia, Iris, Alisha, Annie, Mariam, Casey, Maraya and Riya.



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#### English and Mathematics Homework:

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· Their homework books need to be handed in on a Monday, so that your child's work can be marked.

• The homework will normally consolidate the learning that your child has completed that week. On occasions, there may be new learning opportunities on topics that have not been covered in class; children may need some support with this work.

#### Spellings:

· Ten spellings to be learnt each week.

· Children have an overview of their spellings for the whole term. These will be highlighted each week.
· Children will complete a Spelling Dictation Test weekly, every Friday.

· Please help your child to learn their new spellings each week. Please also look at the spelling pattern of the words, so that children can transfer their skills to a range of spellings.

#### Reading:

· For children to make good progress with their reading, we need to work together to develop their love of books. In order to support this process, each night, parents and pupils should spend time discussing and sharing books. Rather than only hearing your child read, it would be very helpful if you could also ask questions about what has been read.

Every week, your child will also bring a library book home (Year 3 on a Wednesday and Year 4 on a Monday). This will be an opportunity for them to choose any book that they are interested in so it may be a book that they are familiar with or a book that they need help to read. Please read and talk with them about the book and bring it back the following week (Year 3 on a Wednesday and Year 4 on a Monday).

Please speak to your child's class teacher, in the first instance, if you have any issues, concerns or feedback you would like to share.

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#### Homework at Victoria Junior School - Years 5 and 6

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#### <u>Timetables:</u>

Every child will have a login to access this. Please get them to practise these every day. As well as TTRS, the children can practice their target table or tables on a range of websites.

#### These include:

- https://ttrockstars.com/ (Your child has a password for this in their planner)
   https://www.timestables.co.uk/
  - · https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Mathematics-games/hit-the-button · https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4

They might also enjoy practising their tables through music.
With practice and repetition, their speed and accuracy will improve and this will impact their ability across the Mathematics curriculum.

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Cherry Class: 14th-18th October 2024 Chestnut Class: 4th-8th November 2024 Laurel Class: 11th-15th November 2024





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WE HAVE ALREADY SAVED £142 FOR OUR
SCHOOL. PLEASE SHARE THE LINK WITH
FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

### Autum 2024:

Mon 14th - Fri 25th Oct - PiXL Testing Window
Fri 25th Oct - INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
Mon 28th Oct to Fri 1st Nov - Half Term
Mon 4th - Fri 8th Nov - Insight Data Drop
Mon 4th Nov - First day of Autumn Term 2
Mon 11th - Fri 15th Nov - Pupil Progress Meets
Tues 19th Nov - Parents evening - short
Thu 21st Nov - Parents evening - long
Thur 12th Dec - Lower Phase Winter Show, 6.00 pm
Tue 17th Dec - Winter Lunch for pupils & staff & Jumper Day
Thu 19th Dec - Winter Class Party
Fri 20th Dec - Last day (school closes at 2pm)
Mon 23rd Dec - Winter Holidays