Victory Primary School Newsletter March / April 2026

Working together to create success!

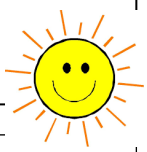
Another term completed….The previous term ended on a positive note and contained lots of fun activities and challenges for the children to complete and for parents/carers to get involved with. These included an Art Exhibition, Get Fit, Keep fit week, Literacy, Maths and Science Workshops for parents/carers, World Book Day and our incredible VPS Talent Show! We have also reintroduced introduced Tea and Talk time for parents/carers, so they have time to meet and have an informal chat with each other. This has been well enjoyed by the parents/carers who were able to attend. I will be writing to you after the Easter Holiday to ask parents/carers to come into school to talk about their jobs, so that not only will our children learn about different jobs, but they may also be inspired.

Attendance is important, as we cannot teach children face to face if they are not at school. We are making progress, so I ask for your continued support, by making sure that your child comes to school every day on time, holidays are not taken during term time and if children are really unwell, help them to make a seedy recovery, so that they can return to school as soon as possible. Please also remember to clearly say what your child sick with when leaving a message on the school answer phone, instead of just saying that your child is unwell.

To support children to improve their reading skills and confidence, children will once again be invited to come to our after-school Reading Club. This is a free afterschool club, so if your child has been selected to attend this afterschool club, please can you make sure that your child attends every week.

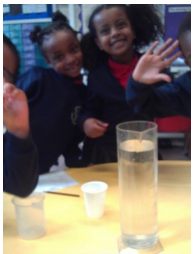
We have a parent governor vacancy available, so if you would like to become a parent governor and would like some more information about the role and the responsibilities of a parent governor, please can you contact our school office, giving your name and contact details. A governor will then contact you to share more details.

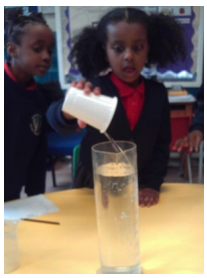
It has been a pleasure working in partnership with you all, I hope you all have a wonderful holiday. Happy Easter to all our families who celebrate Easter.



Ruby Class - Thinking and Maths….

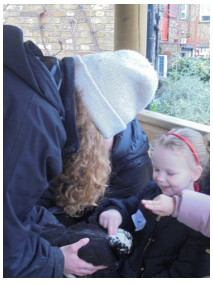
Children in Ruby class have been working very hard and learning all about measurements in maths. We have been exploring weight and capacity through practical lessons. Pupils have been able to explore and familiarise themselves with equipment, such as scales and containers of various capacities. We have been using comparative language and recording our observations, while working as a team.





EYFS...At the Farm…..

Silver class had a wonderful visit to the farm! They learned interesting facts about Polish chickens, guinea pigs and rabbits, and enjoyed gently holding and touching these small animals. The children also had the chance to feed sheep, goats and alpacas, which was very exciting!



VICTORY PRIMARY SCHOOL

BECOME A PARENT GOVERNOR

GETTING YOUR VOICE HEARD

Having your child's best interests at heart means that you'll also have the school's best interests at heart, which makes you committed to the school's continuous improvement for the benefit of your child. This can be very rewarding!

DEVELOPING YOUR SKILLS

Governors are provided with training by Southwark. All of this is transferable to other areas of life. Being a governor allows you to gain a variety of new skills, and develop the ones you already have.

PROFESSIONAL BENEFITS

Being a governor is a valuable addition to your CV, and shows future employers that you have remained committed to your own development despite taking time out of the working world. As a parent governor, you'll be benefiting not just the school, but your child and yourself too.

What does it involve?

Attend Governor meetings to discuss school performance and policies
(Once per term, usually 18:00 - 19:30)

Working with a subject lead to ensure the curriculum is the best it can be!
(frequency depends on your commitment and availability)

For more information contact the head of governors

Patrick Reilly:

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VPS Skippathon….

Get Fit, Keep Fit was a fun filled week when children did different exercises every day. We had our annual Skippathon to raise money, which got everyone moving and out of breath! Please see the amounts raised and what classes have decided to spend the money on below.

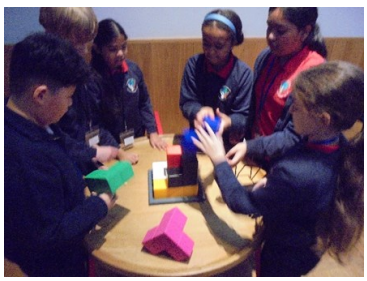
Thank you for your kind donations and to those parents who joined Coach Brown for a PE session!

Skippathon fundraising		
EYFS	£75	Improving the reading corner
Year 1	£36.50	Class trips
Year 2/3	£72	Class trip in Summer term
Year 4/5	£46	Still to decide!
Year 5/6	£64.50	Class trip in Summer term

Bottle Rocket

Topaz Class….At Cambridge University

Year 6 had a fantastic week with IntoUniversity! The focus was on engineering and we spent three days at Pembroke House, visited the Science Museum and enjoyed a trip to Cambridge University where we graduated! Each group studied an engineer, completed tasks together before doing a final presentation at Cambridge. It was excellent!



Crazy about Science!

Below you will find some spring science experiments and STEM activities, just follow the links .

Children should be supervised at all times, when doing science experiments

https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/spring-science-activities-easy-spring-play-ideas/

https://www.science-sparks.com/science-at-home-experiments-for-kids/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-R3DShHbkA&cbrd=1

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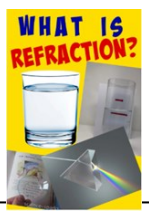


Key Dates

End of the spring term—27.3.2026
School reopens for children — 13.4.2026
Bank Holiday—4.5.2026 (school closed)
Year 6 SATs week - 11.5.26 to 14.5.26
Summer Half Term — 25.5.26 to 29.5. 26 (school closed)
Year 4 Multiplication Check Week —1.6.26 to 5.6.26
Year 1 Phonics Check Week —8.6.26 to 12.6.26

Last Day of the summer term for children — 17.7.26 at 3.30pm
INSET Days for staff— 19th and 20th July (School closed for children)

Sapphire Class…..Can you hear me?.

In Sapphire Class, we have been learning about sound. We have learnt that our ears are the most extraordinary organ!

Did you know…?

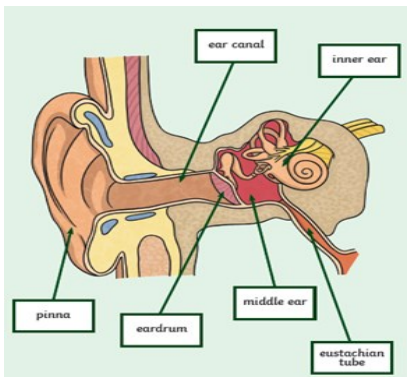
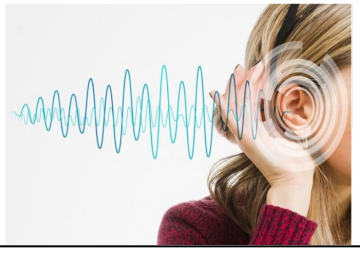
Sound is made when vibrations happen. When an object vibrates, the air around it vibrates. These vibrations in the air are called sound waves. The sound waves carry the sounds to our ears. **Benji**

The ears are used for hearing, but they also help us to balance. **Khadija**

Sound travels slower than light. This is why you can see lightning before you hear thunder. **Rayyan and Noelia**

The three smallest bones in the body are in the ear. They are found in the middle ear and are called the hammer, the anvil and the stirrup. **Abbey**

Dogs and cats (and some other animals) can hear much higher frequencies of sound than humans can. **Ibrahim**

Part of the inner ear is called the cochlea. In Latin, the word 'cochlea' means 'snail'. If you look at a picture of the cochlea in the ear, you'll understand how it got its name. **Harmony**

We have a drum inside our ears! The eardrum is the piece of thin, stretched skin inside the ear that is moved by vibrations. **Kristian**