Victory Primary School Newsletter

July 2026

Another year over!

Goodbye Academic Year 25-26...

We have come to the end of another school year, looking back there have been lots of challenges which together the staff, children and parents have overcome. There have also been lots of fun, laughter and sheer joy, like our year 5's completing a science workshop with the Prince and Princess of Wales to our final assembly of the year, which ended with staff and children singing and dancing to 'One Love' by Bob Marley.

So we now have said goodbye to our year 6's, who have only known me as their HT, I remember many of them when they were in our nursery and reception class. It has been a pleasure to watch them grow into confident young people, who are achievers.

We are also saying goodbye to Miss Safia (retirement), Miss Simone and Miss Ashila (end of contracts). They have been a significant part of the Victory Primary School team, we wish them well on their next adventure.

I would like to say thank you to all the staff who are continuing with us on our journey, for your hard work and dedication to our school.

Lastly, thank you to all parents/carers for your continued support, patience and understanding, our staff have really appreciated all that you have done to support your child and our school! I look forward to working with you all again.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer holidays,
stay safe, well and positive!

New Classes for next year

EYFS (Reception and Nursey)
Mrs Beattie
Entrance / Exit— Elba Place

Amber Class (yr 1/2)
Miss Maria
Entrance / Exit— Victory Place

Diamond Class (yr 3)
Miss Mimi
Entrance / Exit— Victory Place

Sapphire class (yr 4/5)
Miss Mao
Entrance / Exit— Elba Place

Topaz class (yr 5/6)
Mrs Jennifer Denkyira

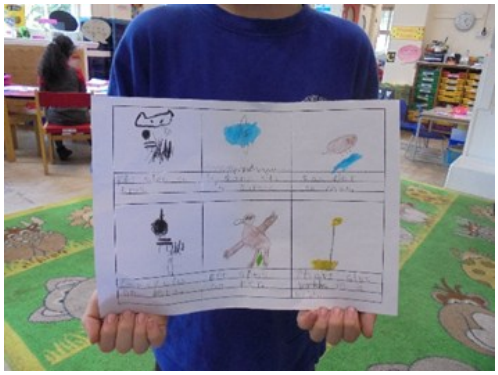
Entrance / Exit— Elba Place

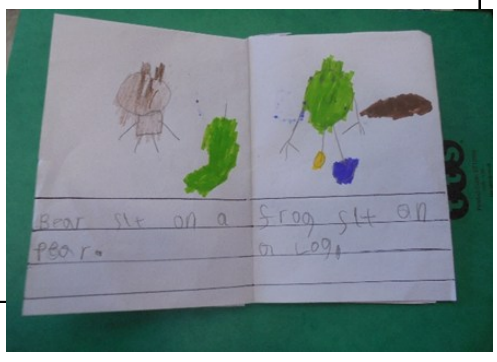
On Thursday our children met their new class teacher and together began their journey of building positive relationships.

EYFS……

Gold and Silver class have been buzzing with creativity this term during our rhyming focus on Kes Gray's book, Oi Frog! This story inspired our children to become authors and illustrators of their very own book, and they took the challenge incredibly seriously. The children had fantastic fun inventing silly new rhyming objects for animals to sit on, boosting their phonics skills and teamwork skills along the way.

It has been amazing to watch their concentration and imagination blossom.





Practical Maths……

This year in Ruby class we have been learning all about money! We have learnt how to recognise the value of all the different coins and notes, and we have been practicing how to add our money together. To help us understand how to calculate change, we decided to open a market in our class selling different fruit and vegetables. We paired up with our partners and made a list of the things we want to buy for our dinner party. After we calculated how much money all our shopping would cost, we went to the market and paid using our notes. The cashiers had to give us back the correct change. We rotated the roles of customers and cashiers, so everyone could have a go at being a customer and a shop keeper!

Science…..

The summer holiday are here, and it is a wonderful time to get creative and spark big questions. This is a chance for children to keep their curiosity alive in a relaxed and enjoyable way, using the holidays to notice, wonder and explore the world around them. Creative learning supports children to express ideas imaginatively, while big questions encourage them to think deeply and investigate for themselves.

There are also science investigations to do in summer, offering families a brilliant way to bring learning to life beyond the classroom. These fun activities inspire children to help make the most of holiday time by combining enjoyment with discovery. To find out more and make use of the available ideas, follow links and continue the adventure of learning together over the summer.

https://blog.ixl.com/2018/08/01/science-activities-to-end-your-summer-right/
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_6geYg3NpA
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TF_QAgFCYVw

https://resources.batterseahouse.co.uk/year-5-science-forces-motion/

https://www.21kschool.com/jp/blog/science-experiments-with-water/#15_Science_Experiments_With_Water_For_Students

https://sugarspiceandglitter.com/kids-kitchen-water-xlyophone-science-experiment/

Southwark's Summer of Food and Fun, 2023

Message from the Summer Food Scheme…...
We are partnering with local holiday club providers across the borough to provide an exciting programme of meals and activities for children and young people in our local communities. Free places are available for children between the ages of 4 and 16 years, who are eligible for free school meals.

The programme aims to give local families access to free, healthy food and fun activities over the summer holidays. Each programme will provide: · Free, healthy and tasty food · Fun physical activity sessions · A wide range of other activities to suit different ages and personalities · Opportunities to learn more about food and nutrition for children and families Details about the programme are available at www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun I encourage you to book a place for your child/children to ensure they have an enjoyable and memorable summer holiday period.

Summer Holiday Activities….

Free activities…..

https://londonist.com/london/free-and-cheap/free-things-to-do-events-museums-london-school-holidays-children

https://officiallondontheatre.com/kids-week/

These are a mixer of free and paid activities….

https://www.visitlondon.com/things-to-do/event/45691403-school-summer-holidays-in-london

School term and holiday dates 2026—2027

AUTUMN TERM

Wednesday 2 September - Friday 23 October

Half Term - Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October

Monday 2 November to Friday 18 December

SPRING TERM

Monday 4 January - Friday 12 February

Half Term - Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February

Monday 22 February – Thursday 25 March

SUMMER TERM

Monday 12 April - Friday 28 May

(May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on 3 May)

Half Term - Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June

Monday 7 June - Thursday 22 July

INSET Days

2.9.26
18.12.26 (sch will close at 12 noon)
4.1.27
25.3.27 (sch will close at 12 noon)
28.5.27 (sch will close at 12 noon)
21.7.27 (sch will close at 12 noon)
22.7.27

Our school will reopen for children on the 3rd September at 8.50am