

# Victoria Primary Academy

## Weekly Newsletter

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### Events Next Week:

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September: School Closed for Teacher Training Days**

**School opens again on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Bikeability begins

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Basketball and dodgeball taster sessions for KS2

### Reminders:

**Please return completed data checking sheets and permission slips to school**

Welcome back!

I hope you have all had a good summer and are ready for a new year of learning at school.

Many new children and adults have joined us this week. A very huge Victoria Welcome to you all. I know you will be made to feel welcome by all our fabulous children and adults.

If your child is in Foundation Stage, Year One or Year Two make sure you read the information below about **Universal Free School Meals** – packed lunches may be a thing of the past for you! Meals can still be purchased for the junior children should you wish to.

It was great to see the children back in school this week, full of tales of summer adventures and ready to learn in school. Your children have settled in well, thank you for getting them here on time and in uniform, a great start!

*Mrs H Scargill*

### Data Checking sheets:

**Your child will have an envelope today with their data sheet inside.**

Please read the data sheets carefully and make any changes needed. Please complete the **collections list** for your child also.

It is essential we have the most up-to-date information for your child.

You and your child will also need to sign and return **The Home School Agreement** and **The Internet Agreement**. Please take some time to discuss these with your child at home.

Remember, if things change during the year it is important to keep us updated. This may be a change of phone number, who is able to collect your child from school or a medical issue. Keep us up-to-date!

Please return these to school by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September.



## School Meals

All children in Foundation Stage, Year One and Year Two are now entitled to a Universal Free School Meal each day in school. If you would like your child to have these meals you need to order them online ([www.ParentPay.com](http://www.ParentPay.com)).

You can continue to send your child to school each day with a packed lunch if you prefer.

### **Frequently asked questions:**

Does my child have to have a hot meal every day?	No, you can choose which days you would like your child to have a hot meal. This can change each week.
When do meals have to be ordered by?	Meals must be ordered by 12 <u>midday</u> the day <u>before</u> you wish your child to have the meal.
How do I order the Universal Free School Meals?	Login to your ParentPay account. Select the Make Bookings tab. Select the week you would like to order meals from the drop down menu and press Make Selections. Click on the menu option your child would like each day. Click save and select more to store the changes.
How do I set up my online account?	You will need an <b>activation code</b> to do this. We sent these out at the end of last term in an envelope. Don't panic, there is another copy in your data envelope!
I have an account but I have forgotten my login details, what should I do?	You can get a reminder of your login details via <a href="mailto:nourish@northamptonshire.gov.uk">nourish@northamptonshire.gov.uk</a> or call 01604 367288.
Where can I get more details?	You can get more details from The Northamptonshire County Council Website, just search for Nourish.

### **Uniform Reminders**

Please ensure all children are in correct uniform each day:

- Purple Sweatshirt or Cardigan (available to order from the office)
- White polo shirt (plain or with school logo)
- Grey or black pinafore, skirt, culottes, trousers or shorts
- White or grey socks or tights
- **Black school shoes**
- School Fleece (optional)

**Order forms are available from the office, cash with orders please.**

ORDERS PLACED MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY  
WILL BE READY ON FRIDAY  
ORDERS PLACED ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY  
WILL BE READY ON TUESDAY

- For PE Children will need:
- Black shorts or jogging bottoms
  - White T shirt
  - Black plimsolls



## Calling all handball players and enthusiasts!



We are hoping to start a handball after school club next term. We will need a coach for the club. We are bidding for some funding to buy equipment and to train anyone who would like to become a coach.

We are looking for parents or carers who would be willing to give up a little time as a volunteer coach for our handball club.

Please call at the school office if you are able to help.

## Learning News!



The Foundation Stage team have been busy visiting our new children at home, we look forward to welcoming our new pupils the week after next.

In year one we have been learning how to write our letters, counting and doing some number maths. We have been playing some French games and learning some French words. We are enjoying being in school, we have been at home for more than '6 days', that is a long time! Ruby and McCarthy

In year two we have been learning about Cinderella. Her ugly sisters are not nice to her and she couldn't go to the ball. Today we have been sorting materials and objects and writing about them. We have used lots of science words like bendy, hard, not bendy, smooth, transparent and not transparent. Daisy and Connor

In year three and four we have been learning about soldiers in World War One and we have been learning how to partition really big numbers in maths. Our topic is Bright Sparks, we have been finding out about electricity. Rhys, Keira and Akshaya

In year five and six we have been learning about materials, we are doing some experiments to find the best material for a plastic bag. We have hunted around the school for things made from plastic and we had a competition to see which group could make the highest paper tower. Ashlee, Daniel and Alfie

## Attendance News!

Mrs Bingham	89%
Miss Bailey	86%
Mrs Wood	90%
Miss Craddock	90%
Mrs Belson	85%
Mrs Roberts	68%
Miss Jackson	91%
Miss Costanzo	77%
Mrs Wray	86%
Mrs Hart	90%