



Victory Primary School Newsletter

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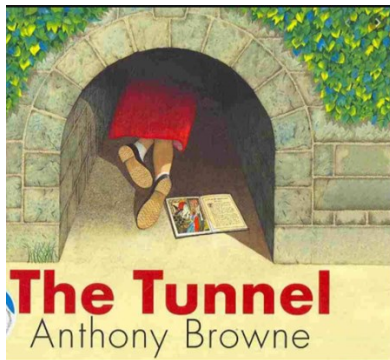


A warm welcome back!



Each year I begin by saying that the children have settled well after the summer holidays. This year is no different despite the children experiencing lockdown and the summer holidays. Our Personnel, health, social and emotional lessons have provided children with the opportunity to share and discuss any concerns about the pandemic or anything else which is on their minds. Each class also has a worry box, which enables children to write or draw anything which is worrying them and they would like to share with their teacher.

With the care, support and guidance of all the wonderful staff at our school, the children have returned to school with a positive attitude to their learning and remain well behaved. So I would like to thank all members of staff for their hard work and dedication to our school! I would also like to thank parents and carers for their support and your trust that we are doing the best we can, to keep your child safe and happy at school. Our world is currently filled with lots of uncertainty because of the pandemic, but the one thing I am sure of is that my staff and I will continue to do our best. We welcome your continued support as we travel together through this new school year!



Ruby Class

Ruby class read the story 'The Tunnel'. We talked about the different characters and what their favourite parts were:-

"I liked when the girl went in the tunnel and there was slime." Angel

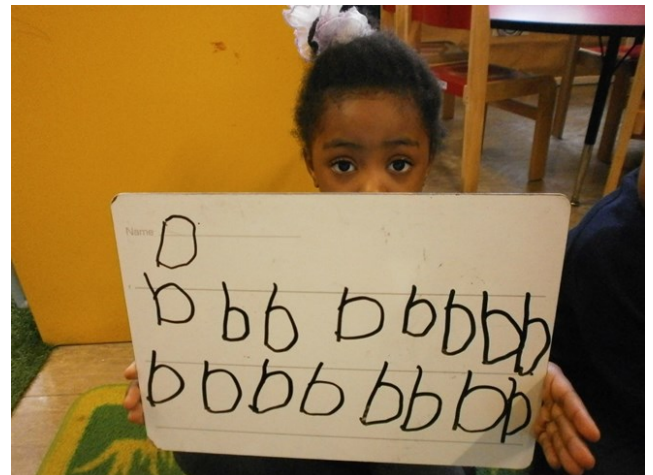
"I liked when the boy was a statue." Christopher

"I liked when the boy and his sister came back through the tunnel because it was dark." Dominic

"I liked the story The Tunnel because the sister hugged her brother." Simona

Gold Class...

Reception class created their own self-portraits; as part of the 'Our Class Family' display and they been practicing their sounds, here is an example of their writing!



Travel during half term....

During half term, parents and carers may decide to travel with their child to other countries. Below is the link to the government's website showing all the countries which if you decided to visit you would be required to go into quarantine for 14 days after you return. This list is updated frequently, so please continue to check this list before you decide to travel to another country. You may have heard in the news, that half term might be extended to 2 weeks, but this has not been confirmed, nor have I received any information about this from the Department of Education.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors#countries-and-territories-with-no-self-isolation-requirement-on-arrival-in-england>



Emerald Class...

Emerald class have been reading books and writing book reviews in our literacy sessions. Please see a few of our reviews and our comments about reading below, because WE ALL LOVE READING IN EMERALD CLASS!!

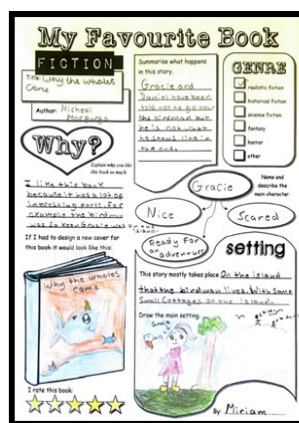
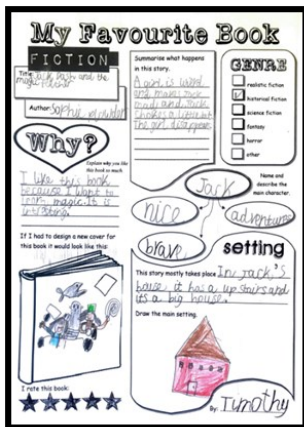
Timothy expressed, "I like reading because I want to get smarter. I want to learn about what happens in a story. My favourite book is: The Prince."

Miriam commented, "I like reading because when I read I use my imagination and I think about what's happening in the story. My favourite book is: Matilda."

Aisha said, "I like reading because when you read the book at home you can learn more. Then when you go to school you know it. Reading a lot makes you smarter! My favourite book is: The Bumble Bear."

Abdulai said, "I like reading because I can learn new things, such as new words and new places. If it is a non-fiction book I can learn new facts. My favourite book is: George's Marvellous Medicine."

Regina explained, "I like reading because you can learn new things from a book. Some things are funny and unique. My favourite book is: The Ogre Likes Yoga."



School dinners

Currently children have been having packed lunches in their classrooms, so that children can stay within their class bubbles during lunchtimes.

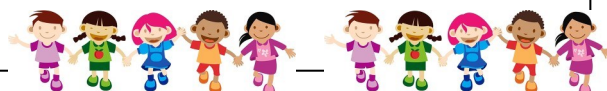
During this week we will begin introducing hot meals, as the weather is beginning to get colder, but children will still eat their lunch in their class bubbles.



Class Assemblies

Traditionally each class invites parents and carers to their live class assembly. Due to safeguarding, we asked that parents and carers do not take pictures or record the assembly in order to keep our children safe. To minimise the spread of coronavirus, we can no longer invite parents and carers into school to watch the class assemblies. I have therefore considered having the assemblies via zoom, however I would need to have your parental consent, as there is a risk that parents could film zoom assemblies and post them on the internet. I have therefore postponed class assemblies, until I received some feedback from parents about whether they would be happy for their child to take part in a zoom class assembly.

If a majority of parents are unhappy about their child taking part, class assemblies will be postponed until it is safe for parents and carers to come into the school building.



Amber Class....

Amber Class have been learning all about Charlie Chaplin in our history lessons. We have been investigating what the local area and our school were like in the past. Charlie Chaplin, who was born in the area, even came to our school! Have a look at the photographs below and see if you can spot any differences?

The original building in 1895



Victory Primary School today



Sapphire Class...

Sapphire Class have written imitation poems in the style as Lewis Carroll, author of the famous poem 'The Jabberwocky'. You can find the original poem in the sequel to 'Alice in Wonderland', in 'Alice Through The Looking-Glass and What Alice Found There.' The following poem was written by Toviah:-

The Snakaroo

'Twas brilliant, and the furry meerkats
Did gyroscope and humpty noises in the desert:
All miserable were the thin shabby looking birds
And the Humpty Dumpty green pigs shrieking.

'Beware of the Snakaroo, my children!
The tail that waddles, the teeth that bite!
Beware the vulture bird, and shun
The very furious Komard!

They took the Flame katana in hand:
Long time the fearsome monster foe the sought
So rested they by the dead tree,
And stood a while in thought:

An as in a bad mood though he stood,
The Snakaroo with claws of dirt,
Came moving through the old sand wood
And murmured as it came!

One, two! One, two! And through and through
The Flame Katana went swift-swish!
They left it dead and with its head
They went rejoicing back.

Coronavirus information for parents...

I have asked by the DFE to send parents information about the coronavirus, please see the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-parents-and-guardians-when-you-should-book-a-coronavirus-test-for-your-child/letter-to-parents-and-guardians-when-you-should-book-a-coronavirus-test-for-your-child>

Please can parents or carers remember to contact the school office if your child shows any of the coronavirus symptoms. This will help us to keep our records up to date and take any necessary actions.

Dates for your diary

**Virtual Black History Month
Exhibition - 22.10.20**
More details to follow

Half term
26/10/20 - 30/10/20

