



# Victory Primary School Newsletter

## April / May 2021



### Each day provides its own gifts!



#### Welcome back!

As we have now completed another month at school, I have the pleasure of saying that despite the many changes schools have gone through, our children remain happy, motivated to learn and well behaved. Due to these 3 key factors being in place, our school can now move to the next section of our journey, heightening our efforts to close the gaps in children's learning, which were caused by of the pandemic. To be successful, please can you continue to make sure that your child completes and returns their homework every week, and that you find some time to read with and to your child at least 3 times a week The old saying 'The more you read, the more you grow' is very true and still relevant, even though it is old! Public libraries have reopened, so children can once again borrow books from the library and develop their love for reading even more! Your child may also receive some additional homework, this is to help your child practice and improve a certain area of their learning even further.

To add some spice to children's learning experiences, we now have themed weeks on a more regular basis. The themes are based on international celebrations, the skills and knowledge children may need or our children's interests. To celebrate International Spanish Language day, we had a 'Spanish week at school, whereby children learnt different things about Spain. We then had Jazz week, to celebrate International Jazz Day, whereby the children learnt about a different jazz artist and listened to 3 of their songs. The children then voted which were their favorite song, the songs with the most votes are in brackets. The jazz artists they learnt about were, Ella Fitzgerald ( Ain't got that swing), Louis Armstrong (Wonderful world), David Brubeck ( Unsquared dance) , Dizzy Gillespie ( Bang bang) and Nina Simone (Ain't got no, I got life) . However the song which had the most votes overall was Dizzy Gillespie's 'Bang, bang'.

This week is VPS Enterprise Week, children will be learning about money and how they can use their enterprising skills to generate money!



#### Ruby Class....

For Spanish week, we listened to stories in Spanish, then Dylan and Christopher translated them for us.

"Pobre perrito means poor doggy in Spanish," said Christopher.

"Rima de chocolate means chocolate rhymes," said Dylan.

We also played a game in the playground called 1, 2, 3 calabaza or (uno, dos, tres Calabaza). We learnt that 'calabaza' is Spanish for pumpkin. Everyone enjoyed taking turns being the person who had to count then turn around and see if anyone was moving.



#### Emerald class, .....

We were fortunate enough to have a Spanish speaking parent join us online via Google Classroom. Enrique's mum told us about her home country Colombia, which was very informative! Then Enrique with a little help from Ainhoa, translated the information into English. We also learnt how to count in Spanish from 1 - 50 with our Spanish niñas; the Spanish name for different body parts and a playground song / game (see below).



Pase misí pase misá  
Canción infantil  
(Spanish)  
Pase misí pase misá  
Por las puertas de Alcalá  
La de adelante corre mucho  
Y la de atrás se quedará



Pass Missy, Pass Missay  
Children's Song  
(English)  
Pass missy, pass missay  
Under the Alcalá gates,  
The one in front goes very  
fast, and the one at the  
back stays there.



## Travelling somewhere....

If you decide to travel with your 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 10 days after you return. This list is updated frequently, so please continue to check this list before you decide to travel to another country.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors#history>



## Sapphire Class.....

Sapphire class celebrated Spanish week by having lots of fun learning new words and expressions. We also had a sing along time. Follow click on the link below and enjoy a song all about numbers, an elephant and a spider web. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Qq\\_acOQdus](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Qq_acOQdus)



Jessica, how do you say yellow in Spanish?



Rayan, se dice Amarillo.



Karim, how do you say football in Spanish?



Shaquiel, se dice fútbol.



## EYFS.....

Thank you to Carlos' dad in Reception class as he read us a story in Spanish via google classroom. All of the children were so excited. We practiced how to say our name in Spanish and we sang the colours and the days of the week songs in Spanish too.

Our topic this term is healthy eating and food, so we have been also learning about different food groups. Aileen and Jan painted still life - below are their results....



## Gentle Reminder – EU Settlement Scheme

As the UK has left Europe you may need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK. The EU settlement scheme runs up until 30th June 2021, so please check if you need to apply as soon as possible. Please see the link below for more information.

[www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families](http://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families)

### Topaz Class...

Topaz class have written cinquain (pronounced 'sin-cane') poems. Cinquains are just five lines long and follow a pattern of syllables per line - 2, 4, 6, 8, 2. Can you recognise the shape a cinquain poem forms? Enjoy reading our Poems!

#### Funfair

Fun and scary  
Having an adventure  
One of the best days of my life  
Fun time  
Written by Ayden

#### Playing

Football, tennis  
Playing with family  
When it is sunny, I'm happy  
Big fun  
Written by Iker

#### Summer

Tasty mango  
Running in the hot sun  
Cool, fresh air feels great on my skin  
Happy  
Written by Nurgina

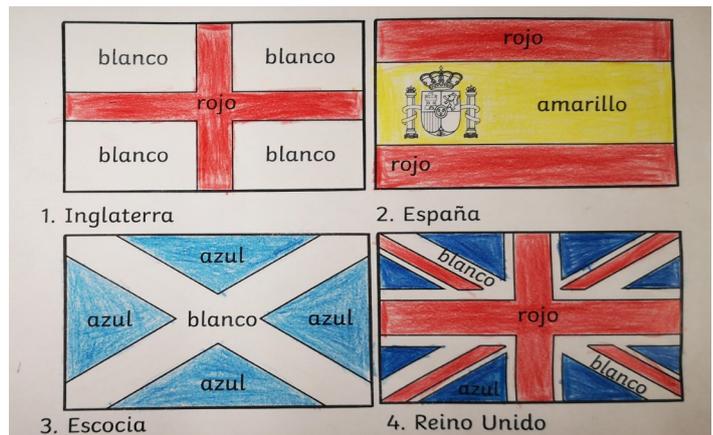
#### Summer

Sunshine, ice-cream  
Holidays, swimming, hot  
My birthday, family and friends  
Happy!  
Written by Diana



### Amber Class...

Amber class had great fun learning about los colores during Spanish Week. We learnt the colours of el arcoíris. Can you tell what that means from the first picture?



### Dates for your diary.....

#### Summer term

International Day of Families—15.5.2021  
Speaking and Listening week—17.5.2021  
Science Investigation week—24.5.2021

Half Term - Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021

Monday 7th June 2021 to Friday 23rd July 2021

INSET DAY 23.7.21 ( School closed for children)

