

Victory Primary School Newsletter

November 2023



Caring is sharing!



Black History Month

Black History Month this year was another huge success! Lots of friends and families attended our exhibition, and took part in the many quizzes and activities which the children had developed to test the parent's/carer's knowledge. The children also shared lots of information about their displays and spoke with eloquence and confidence!

It was wonderful to have lots of friends and family back in school, and the feedback we received from children who visited the exhibition and their parents/ carers was extremely positive......

100% of the parents/carers who attended the exhibition strongly agreed or agreed that:-

The children's work was of a high quality

The children spoke clearly and explained their work well

I enjoyed the exhibition

I learn't something new

They also gave some positive feedback.......

"The exhibition was so great."

"Well done the teachers. The children did a great job."

"Good work well done."

Thank you all the children and staff for your hard work, another very successful Black History Month Exhibition!

Emerald Class....

Using Google Earth Amber Class investigated their local area and travelled around the world to many countries like Bangladesh, Nigeria, Algeria, Dubai etc.









Sapphire Class have been exploring historical artefacts to learn about the culture of the African Kingdom of Benin. We discussed what could be learnt from a piece of art and tried to draw our own version. We hope to make our own Benin 'Bronzes' out of clay in the next few weeks



Sapphire Class....





EYFS.....

In Gold and Silver Class, we have been learning about Autumn Leaves! We collected some leaves from outside and organised them by colour, looking at the range of Autumn colours. After, we used them to make some spikey Hedgehogs.







Second Hand Uniform Sale

During Parents/Carers Evening on the 19.12.23, we will be having a second hand uniform sale. More information will be sent to you shortly.....

PTA

Last year the PTA suggested that we have a parent and children Christmas cards afternoon. I thought this was a fabulous idea, so we invited parents/carers into school to design Christmas cards or seasonal cards with their children. It was a fabulous afternoon, and something I think we should do again this year. I will be sending details of the Christmas cards afternoon shortly. If your family does not celebrate Christmas, you are still welcomed to come into school and make a card of your choice with your child.



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

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Financial Support for parents....

As we are fast approaching the season of heavy spending (Christmas) below are some links where parents/ carers can apply for financial support. The information are for parents/carers who live in Southwark, if you live in another local authority, please have a look at their website for information on funding support.

Southwark Council Cost of Living Fund - £100 from the Cost of Living Fund

https://www.southwark.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/cost-of-living-support/financial-support-and-advice/ southwark-council-cost-of-living-fund-scolf

<u>Support with mortgage debt or arrears</u> - e.g. Applying for breathing space - Breathing space will stop most types of enforcement and also stop most creditors from applying interest and charges for 60 days. https://www.southwark.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/cost-of-living-support/financial-support-and-advice/ support-with-mortgage-debt-or-arrears

<u>Find out what money you are entitled to — benefits and other types of funding</u> https://www.southwark.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/cost-of-living-support/financial-support-and-advice/ direct-financial-support-from-the-council-and-government

<u>Apply for emergency money</u> https://www.southwark.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/cost-of-living-support/financial-support-and-advice/ grants-and-local-charities

School Uniform Checks......

Our school uniform shows that we are a proud member of Victory Primary school, therefore it is important that all pupils wear the correct uniform every school day. By agreeing for your child to attend our school, you have accepted that you will ensure that your child always wears the correct school uniform. Parents whose children are wearing incorrect uniform will be receiving a letter shortly. If you receive a uniform letter, please can you make sure that your child is wearing the correct uniform. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please come to our second hand uniform sale.

Also to support the return of any lost / misplaced clothing, please could parents / carers ensure that all of your child's clothing is labelled, as staff cannot be held responsible for any clothing which has been lost by children.

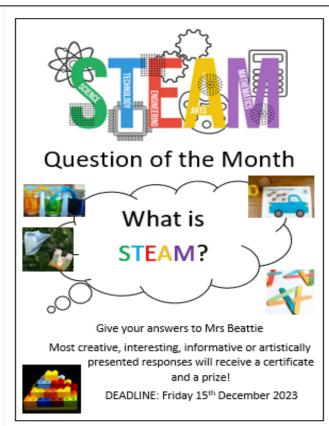
Going out and about

All classes (yrs. 1-6) have been out and about during this term. They have taken advantage of many free places to visit and activities which are free to schools. Next term we will once again expand children's learning experiences by visiting different places. If parents/carers would like to help supervise children on class trips please speak to your child's teacher.





Amber Class had the opportunity to dress up as Charlie Chaplin and as a Victorian child. We also watched one of Charlie Chaplin's famous film called "The Kid".



Emerald Class....

The pupils observed the different sounds the instruments made by using their senses, e.g. low / high pitches and loud /quiet sounds. This was an introduction to how sounds travel.









Dates for your diary

Children's Christmas dinner - 19.12.23

EYFS + KS1 Christmas performance - 15.12.23 at 2pm

KS2 Christmas performance - 18.12.23 at 2pm Christmas Jumper Day - 19.12.23

(Children can wear their school trousers or skirts, polo shirt and a Christmas jumper)

Parents/carers Christmas Cards afternoon—8.12.23 2.30—3.30
Parent's Evening and Second hand Uniform Sale - 19.12.23
Last day of term 20.12.23 - school closes at 12 noon



