



10/12/2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas Carnegie performance

The children were wonderful in their Christmas performance. The DVD is on sale for £5. Please pre order so we know how many copies we need.

Visit from Santa

The children had a visit from Santa on Tuesday. All the children had their photo taken and these will be sold in a lovely Christmas card frame for £2.

Christmas dinner day

Tuesday 10th December
All children can have their Christmas dinner together. Infants will automatically receive their Christmas lunch for free. Nursery pupils will need to pay £2 if they wish to have a Christmas lunch. Children will have a festive day with crackers, DVDs and Christmas treats. Children to wear their Christmas jumper with their uniform.



Christmas trips

Early years will have visited Santa Express

KSI children will visit the Pantomime at the sands Centre on Wednesday 11th December. Packed lunches will be provided.

Rainbow class enjoyed a great trip to planet play.

National Christmas jumper day

On Friday 13th December it is National Christmas jumper day. All pupils can wear their Christmas jumper with their uniform.



Illness

Whilst we have been informed that a number of schools have been affected by the winter vomiting bug- norovirus we have not. I would like to remind parents/carers to ensure that children wash their hand thoroughly, uniforms are washed and that cleanliness and hygiene are promoted. We operate a very strict cleaning schedule at Victoria School to ensure that we no germs are spread and to reduce the cross infection. All surfaces are disinfected on a daily basis. If your child is ill please do not send them to school as this will spread across the school community. The NHS provides information for parents/ carers on the NHS website 'is my child to ill for school'. Please ensure that you report your child's illness by telephone option 1 or email admin@victoria-inf-workington.cumbriaschuk



Year two/three residential Abernethy

If you wish for your child to attend the year 2/3 residential then please ensure that you inform school. We are confirming numbers and have a lot of deposits already paid. We are delighted with how many pupils wish to attend and will be running this with two groups staying for one night each. All children wishing to go will be provided with a place. One group will go On Monday 6th July and the other group will go on Tuesday 7th July. We are in the process of organising the groups and arrangements and we will parents/carers after Christmas. If you have not booked your child a place we will need to know before Christmas.

General Election

We have been informed that Victoria School, Nursery, Infant and Juniors will be CLOSED on Thursday 12th December 2019 to be used as a polling station. We appreciate the inconvenience this causes to our families and we have tried to change this but unfortunately the council's democratic services have insisted that both schools are closed and they have to use both sites. We appreciate this is short notice but this is beyond our control.

Changes to dates

Key Stage one Christmas Pantomime
CHANGE OF DATE

Due to the school being CLOSED on Thursday 12th December 2019 we have moved the visit to the Sands Centre for the Christmas pantomime. The children will now go on Wednesday 11th December 2019 for the 10:15am performance. Details will follow.

2 & 3 year old nativity

2 & 3 year old nativity will be held on Friday 13th December at 9.15am and 2.00pm in the school hall.



3 year old nursery and reception nativity

3 year old nursery and reception nativity will be held on Wednesday the 11th December at 9.00am and 2.00pm in the school hall.

Junior School Open Afternoon's

If your child is in year 2 can you please ensure you have applied for a year 3 place for Sept 20 the deadline for applications is 15th January 2020.

Victoria Junior School will be having open afternoons. Year 2 children have all been sent home with letters. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to get in touch.

2020 Reception new starters

Please ensure you apply for your child's reception place online. Letters were also sent home with your child last week. If you have any questions or are struggling please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Book Fair

On Monday 9th December a HALF PRICE book fair is coming to our school... That's right, everything will be HALF PRICE! Come and see our amazing books from 3pm every day. More information to follow.



Get Safe online- Free online training



Funded by the Cumbria Police Crime Commissioner to reduce cyber-crime in Cumbria and delivered by **Get Safe Online** - the UK's leading source of information on online safety.

Thursday 12th December 2019

Workington Library

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Open to members of the public

The training will provide you with simple information to help keep yourself and your communities safe through topics such as: **creating secure passwords, shopping and banking online securely, social media, and how to prevent and report fraud, identity theft and abuse.**

*Everyone who attends will gain their **Cyber Proficiency Certificate***

For more information or to book a place, call into Workington Library or telephone 01900 706170.



End of Term

We finish school on Thursday 19th December at 12.45pm for our Christmas break and return to school on Monday 6th January.

There will be no after-school care on the Thursday and holiday club does not run through the Christmas period.

2 Year Olds

This week the two year old children have been practising their songs for our nativity next week. We have also been using scourers to create Christmas wreaths and have started creating our Christmas cards and calendars for our parents.

3 Year Olds

This week the 3 year old nursery children have had a surprise visit from Elvis the Elf. Elvis arrived on Monday to make sure the children are spreading love and kindness in the lead up to Christmas. Elvis' arrival has encouraged the children to communicate ideas and it has developed their spoken language. Elvis has brought us a letter which we have read together as a class. The children are really enjoying the excitement that surrounds Elvis.



This week we have been on the Santa Express. We all had an enjoyable time! The children were a pleasure to take on the trip and a credit to the school and their parents.



Year 1

Year 1 have had a fun filled week, packed with Christmas crafts.

Year 1's elf Jingle has made an appearance again this year. He first appeared in-between Class 3 and 4. He had climbed up one of our Christmas decorations and was sat on his swing. He then made a snow angel on Miss Park's desk out of glitter and snowflakes.

As young mathematicians we have been looking at addition by making ten first. We have all been persevering to complete our work.

We really enjoyed our Christmas party, playing lots of fun games: pass the parcel, pin the nose on the reindeer and musical statues.

Year 2

Year 2 have had some special, mischievous visitors this week! Candy, Cane and Eddie have visited our classrooms every day from The North Pole to keep an eye on us but what a mess they have made! Every morning we have written a report detailing what our elves have been up to. We have also written letters to our elves to try and find out more information about them.

As mathematicians we have continued our Length chapter, we have been collaborating and using our reasoning skills to come up with numerous methods to solve the 'In focus' tasks. It has been essential that we use our noticing skills when reading the word problems so that we use the correct operation to get the answer. Why not try and solve this word problem with your child: Miss Mossop has a candy cane that is 68cm long. She eats 4.2cm and saves the rest for her friend Miss Hodgson. How much candy cane will Miss Hodgson have?



Let's Celebrate

Powerful Learner of the week

• <u>Rainbow Class</u>	• <u>Class 1</u>	• <u>Class 2</u>	• <u>Class 3</u>	• <u>Class 4</u>	• <u>Class 5</u>	• <u>Class 6</u>
• Aaron John Sansom	• Sophie Gill	• Harvey Fothergill	• Gabriella Adams	• Madison Baker	• Macie Hanson	• Connor James

Outstanding Writer of the week

• <u>Rainbow Class</u>	• <u>Class 1</u>	• <u>Class 2</u>	• <u>Class 3</u>	• <u>Class 4</u>	• <u>Class 5</u>	• <u>Class 6</u>
• Skyla Philip	• Alby Lowden	• Amelia Miles	• Chloe Broadbent	• Harvey Blacklock	• Scarlett Park	• Chloe Turpin

Mathlete of the Week

• <u>Rainbow Class</u>	• <u>Class 1</u>	• <u>Class 2</u>	• <u>Class 3</u>	• <u>Class 4</u>	• <u>Class 5</u>	• <u>Class 6</u>
• Lincoln Bell	• Freddy Cowan	• Olivia Ayres	• Stevie Nelson	• Leyton Bates	• Ronan Peet	• Tilly-Mae Quayle

Nursery Learner of the week

<u>Piglet AM</u>	<u>Piglet PM</u>	<u>Eeyore's</u>	<u>Tigger AM</u>	<u>Tigger PM</u>	• <u>Winnies</u>
• Luke Sparks	• Indigo Baker	• Mason Wright	• Katie Byer-Hall	• Logan Sergeant	• Aoife Meil

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• Amelia Armstrong	• Halim Tutan	• Chloe Hardesty	• Odin Peet	• Brooklyn Burns	• Lily Cowling

Diary Dates

Friday 19 th October until Monday 28 th October	Break up for half term	
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas Dinner day for all pupils. Children can wear Christmas jumpers with uniforms.	All children
Wednesday 11 th December	3 year old nursery and reception nativity in the school hall 9.15am and 2.00pm	Nursery and Reception
Wednesday 11 th December	Year one and two trip to Carlisle to watch the pantomime.	Key stage one and two pupils
Thursday 12 th December	SCHOOL CLOSED The school is being used as a polling station	
Friday 13 th December	National Christmas jumper day.	All children
Friday 13 th December	Nursery Nativity 2 year old and 3 year old nursery. 9.15 and 2.00pm in the school hall	2 and 3 year old nursery
Wednesday 18 th December	Carol service St Michaels church Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Service starts at 1.15pm Victoria juniors starts at 2.30pm	Reception, year one and two
Thursday 19 th December	School closes at 12.45 there will be no afterschool care or holiday club. Christmas holidays are 19 th December until 6 th January	
Monday 6 th January	Return to school 8.50am start Breakfast club 7.50am	

Please note for the most up to date list of activities and events please visit the school website, www.victoriaschool.org.uk or contact admin@victoria-inf-workington.cumbria.sch.uk