# **INCLUSION UPDATE**

VICTORIA JUNIOR SCHOOL



## **WELCOME**

Welcome to Victoria's first "Inclusion Update" of the year. Below you will find dates, upcoming events and links to support you and your family at school and at home. We hope you find it helpful.

#### WHO WE ARE - THE INCLUSION TEAM



MRS LEWIS **INCLUSION LEAD SENCO** 



**MRS BEGUM** FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER



MISS UBHI **EAL COODINATOR** 



**MS MORRIS** MISS CLEMENTS ATTENDANCE AND WELFARE ASSISTANTS





MISS MTONGA **PLAYTHERAPIST** 



**MR HEMMINGS** SPORTS COACH



SPEECH AND LANGUAGE



PHYSICAL WELLBEING



**MRS WRIGHT** PLAYGROUND LEAD **ELSA** 



**MRS MINTO HLTA MENTOR** 



MRS BROWNE **HLTA** VISUAL STRESS ASSESSOR



MRS ZEND **LEGO THERAPIST** 

## **TUESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS**

- 12th September Everyone welcome. We are looking forward to seeing you all there to catch up and hopefully meet new parents too!
- 19th September Public Health England will be coming to answer any questions you may have regarding your child's health.
- 26th September Macmillan Coffee Morning Our school community is invited to bring in cakes and treats for people to buy and money raised will be given to The Macmillan Cancer Charity.
- 3rd October VJS's International Day Planning all invited!
- 10th October Family Lives will visit to discuss parent and child wellbeing, improving family relationships and increasing physical activity levels.
- 17th October SendSession for those families who want to know more about Special Needs within the school. This half-term's focus is Speech and Language.

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

# It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning

and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

Place: Victoria Junior School

Date: Tuesday 26th September

Time: 9-10.30am

Contact: Mrs Begum

Simply scan this QR code with your phone to donate to your host's Coffee Morning. It's easy, quick and secure. Thank you.



Headline Partner





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Support, registered charity in England and Wales (98007). Scotland (SC051907) and the Isle of Man (804). Also operating in Northern Ireland, MAC19431\_Poste

Everyone is welcome to come to Victoria Junior School's Macmillan Coffee Morning. This is an event that is close to the hearts of many of us.

This will also be a chance to meet the wider school community such as our Governors and members of the Parent Teacher Association.

Please contribute by baking or bringing in cakes or sweet treats for us to sell on the day. The best times to bring in them in are on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th mornings to the office.

There will be a certificate for the best 'home-made' and 'shop-bought' cake.

All proceeds will go to charity. There is a QR code to donate online if you are unable to attend.

Please see Mrs Begum and Mrs Lewis for further information.

## **INTERNATIONAL DAY - 17TH OCTOBER**

Coming up later in the term is Victoria Junior School's International Event, where our school will be welcoming and celebrating our diverse community. This will be a fun, free and interactive event for all.

On the day, there will be the chance to find out all the different cultures and communities with your child at school.

If you or anyone in your family are interested in representing a country on the day, please contact the school and we will chat about how you would like to contribute.

# SUMMER PROJECT 2023



MISSION: an opportunity to explore, question and challenge pupils' views of the world



Victoria Junior School is hosting an International Day in the Autumn term to welcome and celebrate our diverse community.

In readiness for this event, we are asking all families to create a project about a country in the world that interests them.

This is an opportunity to be as creative and as collaborative as you like over the summer holidays.

Please bring back to school over the first few weeks of the Autumn term and show your new class teacher.





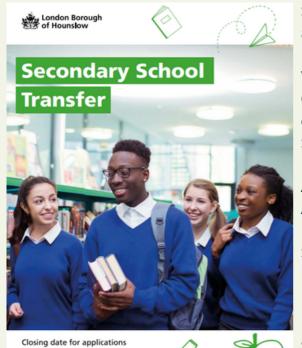


## VJS PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION



# SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS 2024

Sept 2024



Secondary school admission applications for September 2024 are now open.

#### When can I apply for a Secondary School Transfer?

Children born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013, currently in Year 6, will transfer to Secondary school in September 2024.

Applications opened on 1 September 2023. Applications close on 31 October 2023.

See <u>www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions</u> for more information.

If you would like further support your application, please make an appointment with Rumana Begum with the front office.

# GARDENING CLUB

The school are looking to start a Gardening Club on Wednesdays after school. This is an opportunity to do amazing things with our children, from growing and maintaining the school garden to growing fruit and vegetables.

#### Can you volunteer your time?

ww.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

Apply online at

If you're passionate about gardening or wanting to support Victoria in its vision to make the community a greener and more beautiful place, this role could be perfect for you. Please speak to Rumana Begum if interested.

#### SECOND-HAND UNIFORM VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for all the school uniform donations over time. They have been greatly received by all. The school are now looking for some volunteers to join the team in managing this valuable resource for our community. If you can help. no matter how big or small, then please speak to Jo Lewis.

#### **WELFARE**

#### Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK. Victoria Junior School follows these carefully. Please see the link below.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/what-infections-are-how-they-are-transmitted-and-those-at-higher-risk-of-infection

The guidelines say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school on the first day. Please let us know that your child won't be in and give the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, please also let the school know.

Please click on this link for all other illnesses: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/">https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/</a>



#### SEND RESOURCES

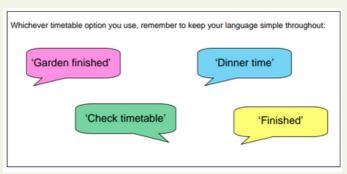
#### Visual Timetables

Using a visual timetable to support your child. They can help your child to:

- Understand what is going to happen during the day
- Have a sense of routine and structure
- Reduce anxiety and behaviour that can sometimes occur if your child is feeling unsure about what is going to happen
- Develop independence
- Provide continuity and consistency, especially if visual timetables have been used in your child's early years setting or if recommended by a Speech and Language Therapist.

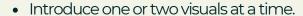
# What you need to make a visual timetable

There are different ways of making a visual timetable. Most timetables are arranged so you go from top to bottom. Some are arranged so you go left to right. Consider the resources you have to hand and pick what works for you and your child.





CLICK <u>HERE</u> AND <u>HERE</u> FOR LINKS TO VISUAL TIMETABLES



- Gradually add more and more visuals to the timetable as your child gets used to going through the routine of checking the timetable.
- Don't worry if your child does not immediately respond to the timetable. They may need some time to learn to use it.
- Try to keep the timetable in the same place.
- Stick to one type of visual, e.g. object or photo or picture or words.
- Use visuals that your child will understand.
- Before each transition, give your child some warning, e.g. 'Last one' / '2 minutes then finished' / 1 minute then finished'.
- You can put anything on a visual timetable, from teeth brushing, breakfast, IPAD,
   TV, toilet, bath, shopping, park to bedtime...the list is endless, anything that your child does in the day can go on the timetable.



If you need any further help and advice in creating a visual timetable, then contact the school office and make an appointment with Mrs Lewis.