

## VJS NEWS



Proud To Be Me, Proud To Belong

#### Mr David Lee, Headteacher

As we finish our first full week, I am pleased to report that Victoria Juniors is back in the full swing of learning. Children have settled quickly into their new classes and year groups, and introductory lessons on the topics in subjects have begun. You will be receiving Knowledge Organisers on some topics in the next week, if you have not already done so. These are invaluable in helping your child become familiar with new vocabulary related to subjects and give them key knowledge that will be referred to in class and and expanded upon. Please spend time with your child going through each organiser and have it available for them to look at and learn from.

Please keep a look out for clubs and other activities that we are arranging for children to join/take part in. This includes roles of responsibility like Sports Leaders where children have been asked to apply for, to lead games and activities at lunch time. Please also take a look at the Book Chat poster attached!

#### Autumn / Winter is coming...

If your child has asthma and a preventative inhaler (Beige / Brown / Orange / Red / Purple / Pink), please make sure it is being taken regularly EVERY DAY even if your child is well, as we are heading towards the most troublesome time of year for children with asthma.

#### No Nuts Allowed!

Please note that we are a nut free school. We have had to confiscate nuts this week from pupils. These should not be in school as we have children with serious nut allergies.

### Dates for the diary...

Coffee Morning: Tuesday 19th September: Public Health visit.
The focus will be on Asthma.

Coffee Morning: Tuesday 26th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning. Please donate cakes! All proceeds to go to Macmillan Cancer Support. A big **thank you** to Wenzels Bakery in Feltham for providing us with cakes for the event. On of our Governors will be attending this event.

Tuesday 26th September: European Day of Languages

Friday 29th September: Pedestrian Training for Year 4 Pupils

Coffee Morning: Tuesday 10th October: Family Lives Matter visit

FLM is a voluntary service for parents and carers with children aged between 3-11 years of age.

Tuesday, 17th October: International Day
Our school will be welcoming and celebrating our diverse
community. This will be a fun, free and interactive event for
all.

If you or anyone in your family are interested in representing a country on the day, please let Mrs Begum or Mrs Lewis know.

Wednesday 18th - Friday 20th October: Year 6 Residential/Activities week

Friday 20th October: INSET day - school closed for pupils

# Year 6 Secondary School Applications

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

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

If you need any support with the application process, please book an appointment to see Mrs Begum. We will be sending information fliers out throughout the next few weeks about open days/evenings.

For your information, please see below for secondary school places accepted for last year's Year 6 cohort:

Brentford School for Girls 2
St Paul's Catholic College 1
Gumley House School 1
Sunbury Manor School 4
Isleworth and Syon Boys School 1
The Green School for Boys 1
Kingsley Academy 2
The Green School for Girls 1
Lady Nafisa Independent Secondary School for Girls 1





# National Black History Month Poetry Competition 2023!

Miss Principe - R.E and Worldviews Lead

To celebrate Black History Month 2023, we want to honour the amazing achievements and contributions of black women in various fields – from literature, music, science, politics, and social care to campaigners, nurses, and everyday heroes who have made a difference to our lives.

We want you to learn about and celebrate black women who have made significant contributions in various fields.

You can submit a poem about a pioneering black woman who has made an impact in their chosen field, explaining why she is an inspiration to you.

The poems can be about members of your family, women who have inspired you in your community or even about you and your experiences as a young person. We want you to get creative and have fun with it!

The class teachers (judges) will consider creativity, originality, and relevance to the competition theme. We will be looking for poems that capture the spirit of Black History Month and celebrate the achievements and contributions of black women.

The winning poem will be featured in our school newsletter!

Due Date – Thursday, 19th October 2023