

Friday, 26th May 2023

VJS NEWS

Proud To Be Me, Proud To Belong

Mr David Lee, Headteacher



Cet après-midi est le dernier des trois cafés français de l'année 6 cette semaine.

Each Year 6 class has had an opportunity to practice their French speaking and listening skills while selling croissants, crêpes, brioche and drinks to our community. Thank you to Mme. Chaabane and all who took part.

As you will see from the rest of the newsletter, it has been a very busy week, and half term, and I hope your children have told you all about the exciting learning they have taken part in. I also hope they have felt 'fulfilment' throughout the term; a key feeling to help with personal well-being.

I wish you all a very enjoyable bank holiday and break next week and look forward to seeing you back at Victoria Junior School on Monday, 5th June.



We have had a lovely week running this French Café. Thank you to all parents and children who helped making this event a success. Children experienced a new variety of food and drinks they can buy in a café in France and it gave them a great opportunity to order and sell in French.

Bonnes Vacances!

Mme Chaabane



DIARY DATES

5th June 2023 - Return to school. Breakfast Club will be open as normal!

6th June 2023 - Lower Phase Sports Morning - 9:00 meet for Parents/Carers. Please see letter sent out today! Children will be back at school for lunch.

8th June 2023 - Reading Champion Awards at Beavers School with Mrs Barham

9th June 2023 - SEND Session 2. A guest speaker from Marjory Kinnon School will be visiting to share and compare what provision is like between a mainstream and SEND specialist setting - 1:30 - 3:00pm

13th June 2023 - Upper Phase Sports Morning - 9:00 meet for Parents/Carers. Letter to follow!

W/b 19th June 2023 - Careers Week

21st June 2023 - Lower Phase Humanism Workshops

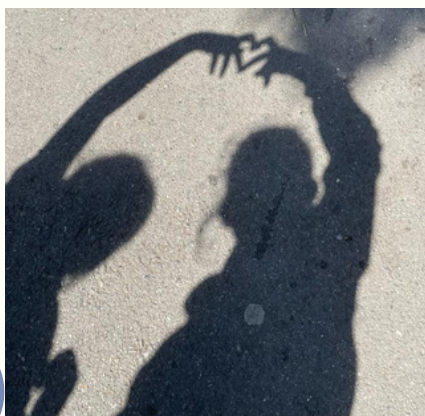
28th June 2023 - Upper Phase Humanism Workshops

17th July 2023 - Whole School Dance morning

Year Five's London Zoo Trip

By Mrs Wolczynski - Deputy Headteacher

On Wednesday, 24th May, Year 5 travelled by coach to London Zoo as part of their Science topic on Living Things. Groups set off to explore the Zoo, with lots of excitement about seeing the huge range of animals. Isla particularly wanted to see the sloths, and was able to get very close to one. Mayar was very excited that we were able to see the tank in the Reptile House where Harry Potter was filmed, and remembered some "Parseltongue" from the film! We were so proud of how the children conducted themselves on the trip, and adults and children all had a fantastic day!



Orienteering and Mapping at VJS

By Ms Pretty - Geography Lead

This week, the whole school experienced orienteering and mapping in our school grounds. The children were given a map that had different symbols and a set of markers that they needed to locate. Mr Hall, the orienteering expert, guided the children explaining the symbols and different routes.

The children worked in pairs to locate the markers, and it was exciting to see them completing the task. They found the easy markers first, and then gradually moved towards the difficult ones, which required critical thinking skills. It was like being real-life detectives on a mission, and it was fascinating to see how the use of maps and compasses helped the children achieve their goal.

By the end of the session, they had developed various skills that would help them in their future lives. They learned how to work within a team, communicate, problem solve, read a map, and understand the use of a directional compass.

Ellie May said, 'It was so much fun!'

Annie said, 'It was exciting!'

Pranav said, 'At first it was difficult, but when I understood the map it was really interesting!'



KINDNESS STARS

Remember to see
your class teacher
for a merit!

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Year 3

Elm: Roshan and Gaina

Oak: Pranav and Afrah

Ash: Shanaya and
Mila-Ivy

Year 4

Beech: Daisy and Zachary

Rowan: Brittany
and Nayan

Ebony: Sumaira and
Fatima

Year 5

Magnolia: Martin and
Ali

Holly: David and Habiba

Willow: Kacper and
Vinu

Year 6

Cherry: Mathurakan
and Manasvi

Chestnut: Duaa and Tyler

Laurel: Reuben and
Taylea



VOLUNTEERING UPDATES

Rob Antil from Feltham in Bloom came to our Coffee Morning last week, and we now have some dates for volunteers to get involved in improving the entrance to Victoria Junior School. Please speak to Mrs Begum if you would like to get involved!

Saturday 10th June - Clear up of the outside space
Saturday 17th June- Planting bulbs

Knitter Natter Club- We are looking at setting up a knitting group for parents and children after the half term break. For more information, please speak to Miss Rowe in Laurel Class.

International Day will be in July, with the date to be confirmed. This will be an opportunity for us to celebrate all the different languages we have at VJS. We will invite parents, children and teachers to work together to make it a fun, educational and interactive afternoon. More information to come after the half term break.

Gardening Club - If any parents would like to be involved with running a Gardening Club after the half term, please speak to Mrs Begum.

Finally...

A big **thank you** to the Parents/Carers who supported us on the Year 5 London Zoo trip!

