



## Newsletter

14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear parents/carers,

Learning is now in full swing here at Virginia and we have seen the children settle back into their routines and excellent learning habits. The music sessions have re-started and the children have enjoyed their first Cricket competition of the year, have managed to get to the finals and come home with silver medals!

Our focus this week has been on “boredom” what does it feel like and most importantly how do we tackle it. The children now see it as a super power to unleash their amazing imagination!



Here's what else we have been up to this week:

### EYFS News

Reception have been thinking about how they can find out more about space. They thought about browsing the internet, looking in non-fiction books and asking an expert. They have thought about questions they want to ask the mission commanders at the UK Space Centre...and are excited to ask them themselves in our Zoom conference coming up! Remember to bring in a special item from home to help you share your interests and passions in circle times next week.

### Sharing Good Learning

The following children shared their learning this week:

- **Year 2: Mia, Amaya, Rayyan and Zayan** shared their amazing knowledge of multiplication. They have described how they use their times tables knowledge and grouping to solve multiplication problems.
- **Year 4:** Year 4 have been reading a book called “the Storm”, **Samia, Ariya and Ishaq** shared their descriptive diary entries from the perspective of the main character. They were fantastic!
- **Year 6:** Year 6 have been learning about E-safety and designed excellent posters. **Zakiya, Tamara, Anwar, Usama, Johnny and Yosef** shared advice on how to keep safe online and who to speak to if we feel uncomfortable with something that has happened online.
- **Special Mentions:** **Anneka** would like to mention **Liia** for playing with lots of different friends in the playground, **Emily** mentioned **Ihsaan** for working so hard and being a superstar all round, **Pauline** mentioned **Year 5** for being very helpful in the playground and **Barbara** mentioned **the food committee (Sam Oliwia and Marihah)** for working hard to make the lunch experience the best it can be. **Brodi** mentioned **Maryam** for supporting her in football, **Alice** mentioned **Noelle** for trying her best with her handwriting, **Cara** mentioned **Noureddine** for being very brave when he got hurt, **An Qian** mentioned **Sabira** for being a great learning partner.



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### After School Clubs

All letters inviting children to clubs have gone out this week. If your child has not received a letter it means unfortunately they were not allocated a club for this term. They have been placed on a waiting list should a place become free and will also be given priority for clubs next term. **All clubs will begin next week**, if your child no longer wishes to attend please let us know as soon as possible so that we can re-allocate their space.

**A reminder of school timings, please make sure your child comes to school every day and on time.**

### School timings

The timings will be as follows:

Start of the day

8:45 Years 5 and 6

8:50 Years 3 and 4

8:55 Years 1 and 2

9:00 Reception and Nursery

### End of the day

3:15 Years 5 and 6

3:20 Years 3 and 4

3:25 Years 1 and 2

3:30 Reception and Nursery

If you are dropping off your child by car, thank you for switching your engine off. Idling causes pollution which is extremely damaging to children's lungs.

### Forthcoming events

7<sup>th</sup> March – 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022

15<sup>th</sup> March 2022

18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

21<sup>st</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

16<sup>th</sup> May 2022

23<sup>rd</sup> May - 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

20<sup>th</sup> June - 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Year 4 school journey to Sayers Croft

Year 6 parents meeting re: Wales in May

Red Nose Day – information to follow

Year 5 Intensive swimming for 2 weeks

Year 6 final parents meeting re: Wales

Year 6 school journey to Wales

Year 6 Intensive swimming for 2 weeks

### Date for the rest of the year

14<sup>th</sup> February to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022

21<sup>st</sup> February 2022

4<sup>th</sup> April to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022

30<sup>th</sup> May to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022

6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Half Term – School closed

School Open – Children return

End of Term – School closed

School Closed – Occasional day

Half Term – School closed

School Open – Children return

School Closed – Inset day

Best wishes,

Barbara Lo Giudice, head teacher