



SEPTEMBER Newsletter

25th September 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Another busy week of learning at Virginia! Even though the weather is getting colder, it has not deterred our children from getting out there, exercising and enjoying outdoor learning. The children have just completed a fantastic series of artworks celebrating inspirational women. We have put these on display in our top hall. If you haven't already seen them please visit our twitter feed.

FSU News

Nursery have been busy getting to know all their new friends who have joined our class. We've been exploring our interests and learning some new vocabulary. We've been exploring inside and outside developing our communication and language skills. We've been talking about all our lovely creations! We had so much fun squeezing, mixing and cutting the rainbow spaghetti with scissors. We've also been exploring colours by finger painting and q-tip painting, developing our fine motor skills. We love the home-corner. It is where we've been cooking lots of lovely food and having lots of conversations over the phone! We've been talking about our day and all the fruit and vegetables that we need to buy. Reception made a den to shelter from the wind and the rain. It was really windy so they had to work together to solve the problem of securing the tarps! The children used a variety of materials to create Transient Art pieces. They placed items on a surface to create nature scenes and faces. After they had finished the children took photos to look back on. We could then reuse the materials. Bartosz made a happy face. He said 'I am happy when I play with my sister.' Adam practised writing his name to make a label for his artwork.

Sharing Good Learning

All of our assemblies are now on the website including good learning assembly. Click on the assemblies tab to access the fantastic learning the children are sharing.

This week the children have recorded their School Council speeches during Good Learning Assembly so watch this space!

Special mentions: I would like to mention year 5 and year 4 for their amazing questions after their "Friendship assemblies" they showed great maturity.

Influenza (Nasal Flu) Immunisation

Today the reception to year 6 children have a consent form for you to complete and sign in their book bags. If you do not require your child to have the Immunisation you must still return the form completing the NO section. All forms must be completed by parents and in PEN please.

Parent Governor Vacancy

On Monday letters will be sent home informing you of how to apply if you would like to become a parent governor. If you are interested, please return the form to the school by **Friday 2nd October 2020**.

Attendance and Punctuality Table

Year Group	Number of pupils late	Ranking	Attendance	Ranking
Reception	5	6 th	97.67%	2 nd
Year 1	2	2 nd	99.25%	1 st
Year 2	1	1 st	95%	6 th



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Year 3	3	4 th	95.04	5 th
Year 4	3	4 th	97.03%	4 th
Year 5	5	6 th	94.07%	7 th
Year 6	2	2 nd	97.48%	3 rd

Well done year 1, I am very proud of your attendance! Well done year 2 on your punctuality! It is really important that children and parents come to school and pick up at the correct times to avoid over-crowding and excessive queueing. The timings for pick up and drop off for each year group are on the website and remember to wait on the other side of the road until your child's year group allocated time, and then queue along the wall in a physically distant manner.

Please remember to keep the front of the gates clear at all times. Many thanks for your continued patience and collaboration.

Dates for the rest of this Year

26 th October to 30 th October 2020	Half Term	School Closed
21 st December to 1 st January 2021	End of Term	School Closed
15 th February to 19 th February 2021	Half Term	School Closed
1 st April to 16 th April 2021	End of Term	School Closed
19 th April 2021	Inset Day	School Closed
3 rd May 2021	Bank Holiday	School Closed
6 th May 2021	GLA Elections	School Closed
31 st May to 4 th June 2021	Half term	School Closed
23 rd July 2021	Inset Day	School Closed

Best wishes,

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