

Newsletter

27th September 2019

Dear parents/carers,

We have had another very busy week of learning here at Virginia. Year 5 has been away on school journey and despite the weather they have had a great time exploring the Jurassic coastline. Here is what we have been up to:

Trips and Events

• Year 6 visited the Museum of Docklands and learnt about WW2.

Sharing Good Learning

The following children shared their learning this week:

- Year 1: Year one went for a walk around the local area.
- Year 2: Year two are reading the "Pied Piper". Aseeya and Samia described key events from the book
- Year 3: Sameeha, Sinead, Sara and Eshan showed us Stonehenge hammers they had made by using a criss cross method.
- **Year 4:** Year 4 is learning about variables in Science. Asma, Adyan, Uzayr and Angelina explained how they were investigating how ice melts.
- Year 5: Year 5 is on school journey.
- Year 6: Nusrat, Zaid, Rima, Kalid and Adam F told us about their visit to the Docklands museum and their experience in a bomb shelter.

Special mentions: Emily mentioned year 6 for their good behaviour in the playground. Ruth mentioned Adyan for his effort in Maths.

FSU News

This week the children have been thinking all about different animals and pets. The nursery children have really enjoyed using the small world animals to create foot prints and 'fossils' in the play dough. They read the story 'Owl Babies' and have used their cutting and sticking skills to make a wonderful display. Reception have got creative and made their 'favourite pet' head bands. They are becoming really independent when using different equipment and resources. Some of the children have been writing sentences about what pet they would like! We have all been practicing writing our names. Well done to those children practising their sight words at home. Remember to look at them each day! We all enjoyed an amazing music session with Mercedes on Wednesday, learning new words to songs and how to keep the beat. Well done for another fantastic week everybody!

Attendance and Punctuality Table

Year Group	Number of pupils late	Ranking	Attendance	Ranking
Reception	12	7 th	95.86%	6 th
Year 1	9	6 th	97.93%	5 th
Year 2	4	5 th	92.86%	7 th
Year 3	3	4 th	100%	1 st
Year 4	0	1 st	98.62%	3 rd
Year 5	2	2 nd	99.31%	2 nd
Year 6	2	2 nd	98.57%	4 th

Well done 3, I am very proud of your attendance! Year 1 and Reception class now need to improve their punctuality! Parents please make sure your child is lined up in the playground at 8.55am, so that they are in lessons and ready to start their learning. I would just like to remind you that in accordance with the Tower Hamlets Penalty Notice Scheme you will be fined if your child is late 20 or more times in a term.

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Forthcoming events

3rd October 2019Year 5 visiting the Museum of Docklands4th October 2019Year 2 visiting the Horniman Museum7th October 2019Year 5 visiting Westminster Abbey

8th October 2019 Children will have their class photo taken **(please don't book**

appointments on this day)

17th October 2019 Poetry Slams assembly @ 2.45 please come along 18th October 2019 Family learning day – more details to follow

31st October 2019 Year 3 visiting Stepney City Farm

6th & 7th November 2019 Year 5 Cycle Assessments 8th November 2019 Year 3 Sleepover from 6pm

Dates for the rest of this Year

18 th October 2019	Family learning day – more details to follow		
21 st October to 25 th October 2019	Half Term	School Closed	
23 rd December to 3 rd January 2020	End of Term	School Closed	
17 th February to 21 st February 2020	Half Term	School Closed	
6 th April to 17 th April 2020	End of Term	School Closed	
7 th May 2020	GLA Elections	School Closed	
8 th May 2020	Bank Holiday	School Closed	
25 th May to 29 th May 2020	Half term	School Closed	
20 th & 21 st July 2020	Inset Days	School Closed	

Best wishes,

Barbara Lo Giudice, head teacher