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THE VICTORY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Approach to head lice

School Governors have asked me to explain our approach to headlice to parents. Our approach to headlice:

The school keeps up to date with the latest thinking about headlice and how to treat it by speaking to the school nurse service and other professionals. Unfortunately, the 'nit nurse' no longer exists and the school nurse service has not got the resources to visit the school to help children or families.

- We inform parents through the newsletter about the best ways to treat headlice including new products on the market.
- We recommend that, children who have hair below shoulder length tie their hair up. Like all other schools we know of, we do not insist on it because it is very difficult to regulate or enforce due to problems of definition. Parents who we consulted were very much split on whether they thought that tied up hair should be enforced.

When we identify children in the school who have head lice:

- We ring parents and ask them to take the child home to treat them and then return the child to school. We are not legally allowed to insist that children who have head lice stay at home.
- We personally remind the parent how best to treat them.
- We inform the rest of the parents/carers of the rest of the class that headlice have been found and ask them to check their child.
- We always treat children who have head lice sensitively and discretely.

Diary Dates

Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday – no school

Monday 9th May – Year 6 SATS week. No holidays or appointments in school time please.

Thursday 12th May Local Elections in school – school open

Monday 16th – 27th May – Year 2 assessment period. No holiday or appointments in school time please.

23rd May 2016 – Class Photographs

30th May 2016 to 5th June 2016 – Half Term

13th June – Year 1 phonics assessment week no holidays or appointments in school time please.

Week beginning 20th June – Sports Week

23rd June – EU Referendum voting in school – school open

27th June – Book week including summer fayre on Thursday 30th June

Friday 1st July – INSET day – school closed

4th July – provisional date for parents consultation this week

Friday 8th July – Last day for year 6 children going to King Richard School. Leavers assembly and Prom.

14th and 15th July – Transition days. Children spend two days in their new classes.

18th July – Return to old classes

19th July – last day of term for children

Reading at Home – April Update

A big thank you to those families now reading with their children at home regularly. As a school we have nearly 200 more children reading – well done!

If reading hasn't become part of your daily routine yet, then please do the best by your child and start today. Just 10 minutes of your time each day can change your child's future!

Here are the class results from the Spring Term:

Rank	Class	Percentage of children Reading regularly
1 st	Clownfish	81%
2 nd	Crab	79%
3 rd	Jellyfish	75%
4 th	Rainbow Fish 2/3	71%
5 th	Rainbow Fish 1	69%
6 th	Seahorses	65%
7 th	Octopus	61%
8 th	Puffins	56%
8 th	Penguins	56%
8 th	Swordfish	56%
11 th	Starfish	55%
11 th	Dolphin	55%
13 th	Shark	47%
14 th	Turtles	42%
15 th	Stingray	36%
16 th	Catfish	28%
17 th	Orca	26%
18 th	Sea Lion	24%

Can your child's class get to the top of our Reading League?



Book Fayre

The book fayre will be in school next week. It will be held outside in the playground between years 4 and 5 and will be available before and after school for you to buy some amazing books. Please do pop along and have a look at the wide selection of books.

Sport Update

Girls Football

Well done to The Victory A and B girls football teams who played their last league matches this week. Please can you return all football kit, including socks and shin pads.

Athletics

The athletics club starts on Tuesday 26th for children in years 3 and 4 and Wednesday 27th for children in years 5 and 6. The club will run from 3:30 to 4:15pm. Please return your reply slips if you would like to attend.

Basketball

Our first league matches will take place on Thursday 28th April at Admiral Lord Nelson School. If your child has been selected to represent the school they will have received a letter.

Multisports

This will be on Friday 29th April from 3:30 to 4:30pm.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

Please bring in any vouchers from Sainsbury's that can be used in school to buy PE equipment.

Year 2 Swimming

Well done to the year 2s who started their swimming programme last week. Please can I remind parents that children are not allowed to wear earrings in the pool.