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## THE VICTORY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Years 1, 2 and 3 Flu Vaccination

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their child's flu vaccination consent form. If you have not, please return it by Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016 to ensure your child does not miss out.

### Lunchtime Club

During lunch club children get to do some really fun things such as: play board games, bowling on the interactive floor and make an amazing tower as the boys did below.



### Reading Club – Thank you

A big thank you to all our Year 5 and 6 volunteers who are helping Mrs Lyndon run Reading Club. Without their help, the club wouldn't be a success and we wouldn't be able to have so many children attend. We welcome more volunteers so please let Mrs Lyndon know if you can help. Thank you to Ethan Herridge, Craig Jackson, Ellie Rees-Gray, Harry Burgess, Dylan Cross, Sam Brogden, Millie Garner, Lilly Frost, Lilly Smart, Lorraine Walker, Kaydie Clements, Luke Butt and Lila Mitchell.

### Scooters and Bikes

Please can we remind Parents / Carers that if your child brings their bike or scooter to school they also need to bring a lock with them to lock it to the bike rack.

### Football – Thank you

A big thank you to Mrs Unitt, Mr Hale and Mr McQuilken for giving up their time to train our football teams at lunchtime and after school.

### Homework Club

We are thinking of running an after school homework club so that children get a chance to complete their homework in time. The club will take place once a week after school and will probably be run by myself. The club will be for a limited number of children who will need to sign up in advance.

At the moment I am in the planning stage so I would be grateful if you could answer these questions and return them to the office so that I can gauge interest. Please only return this form if you are interested in your child attending the homework club.

The slip can be found at the back of this week's newsletter.

Mr Hartley

### Social Media

Recently we have had a couple of incidents of parents/ carers making comments about other parents either verbally or on Facebook which have led to offense being caused. Please can we be mindful of the effect that this can have on the children and school life in general.

## Sport Update

### Girls Football – Hampshire Cup Finals

We wish The Victory Girls Football Team the best of luck at the County Cup Finals which has taken place today. We will give you an update of their progress in the next newsletter.



### Boys Football

Well done to the boys under 11 football team who played in the Portsmouth cup last week at Portsmouth Grammar School. All the players tried their best in difficult conditions but we were very proud of their achievement.

### Netball Club

This will take place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30pm to 4:15pm.

### Football Practice

There will be a practice for boys and girls next Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30pm to 4:15pm. Please bring your shin pads.

### Premier Sport

Multisports – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Fencing – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 3:30pm to 4:30pm



## OCTOBER HALF TERM ATHLETICS COURSE

If you would like to improve your running, jumping and throwing skills to why not attend the Portsmouth Athletics coaching course taking place in October Half Term.

Athletes will be given the chance to try a range of running, jumping and throwing events through fun, safe and structured activities

Qualified Coaches from City of Portsmouth Athletics Club will be leading the sessions and Madeleine Campbell Partnership Development Manager will be overseeing activities.

Indoor athletic activities will be covered over the two days .

<b>Dates:</b>	Wednesday 26 and Thursday 27 October 2016
<b>Time:</b>	10:00 - 1:00pm (daily)
<b>Venue:</b>	Tennis Centre, Priory School , Fawcett Road, Southsea. PO4 ODL
<b>Age Group:</b>	8 - 14 year olds
<b>Cost:</b>	£12
<b>Coach:</b>	Qualified coaches from City of Portsmouth Athletics Club

To reserve a place, please complete the application form and send it with your £12 cheque to Madeleine Campbell at Priory School Sports College, Fawcett Road, SOUTHSEA PO4 ODL. Please make cheques payable to Priory School. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come- first served basis. All forms must be received by Friday 21 October. For more information please contact Madeleine Campbell on 023 9281 9115 or 07958 965463.

## THE MOST WANTED STREET DANCE SHOW WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

25TH OCTOBER 7PM  
NEW THEATRE ROYAL, PORTSMOUTH

\*SINGING\* \*DANCING\* \*ACROBATICS\*  
& MORE...



EMPOWERMENT THROUGH CREATIVE EXPRESSION  
EXPRESSION FOR SOCIAL AWARENESS  
IN THE COMMUNITY FOR THE COMMUNITY

Tickets £12 @ Box Office  
All proceeds going towards  
Bukoba Orphanage

## Homework Expectations

As promised in an earlier newsletter, here are the details of year 2, 3 and 4's homework expectations. In the event that you, as parents/carers, are finding that this is not happening please email me or catch me when you see me. We will shortly send out some information detailing how we will be helping parents to support their children with their homework.

Mr Hartley

**Year 3 and 4 pupils** will take spellings home each week. Children may have different spellings according to ability. Currently, most of year 3 are consolidating words from the Year 2 spelling list, following assessment. The exception being some of the higher ability children who are working on the Statutory Year 3 lists and some of our children who find spelling difficult, may also bring home extra phonic work. Similarly, Year 4 children will be working on either the year 3 or 4 spelling list.

Each child has been given a times table booklet to practise at home. We feel this is important as by the end of year 4, all children must know their tables up to the 12 times table according to Government guidelines. Once children know their tables, maths becomes easier as they can access many other areas.

Children have all been given a reading diary. We would like to see children reading every day and bringing their diaries into school every day. They will be bringing a book home that is suited to their ability unless they are a free reader in which case they can choose which book to read. After half term, however, we will be introducing our new reading scheme and all children will be issued a book matched to their ability. The children have also been issued with a bug club account and will have brought home log-in details so they can read books online.

## Homework Expectations Continued.

### Year 2

The Year 2 homework will be sent out on Friday and returned on the Thursday. The homework will also have a reminder date on it just in case parents forget.

### Diary Dates

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October – last day of half term

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – year R Halloween Disco

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October – years 4 to 6 Halloween Disco

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – years 1 to 3 Halloween Disco

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October – First day back

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – last day of term

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – children return to school after Christmas holiday

### Year 6 Swimming

You will have received a letter regarding swimming for your child in year 6, please can you return your consent form to Mrs Unitt as soon as possible.

### Dance Off Auditions

I will be holding auditions for the Junior Dance Off on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30pm to 4:30pm** for children in years 5 and 6. If you would like your child to take part they will need to collect a letter from me.

Thank you. Mrs Unitt



**Parking**

Please can parents / carers refrain from parking in the layby in front of the main reception doors at the beginning and end of the school day. This practice prevents the minibuses being able to park.

Thank you.

Mr Hartley

**October Half Term Athletics Course**

If you would like your child to attend the athletics course at The Mountbatten Centre as advertised on a previous page you will need to collect a consent form from Mrs Unitt.

**Late Again**

I was on late arrival duty on Thursday morning and I was shocked by the number of children who were late to school. It is understandable that sometimes things happen at home to mean that being late is unavoidable. Unfortunately, a number of children who were late were 'repeat offenders' which makes me think, and I am sorry to be blunt, that better organisation at home is needed. Enough said.

Mr Hartley

**Homework Club Reply Slip**

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your child: \_\_\_\_\_

Year group: \_\_\_\_\_

Which days would your child be able to attend homework club (please circle)?

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday