

Villiers Primary School



Nursery & Reception

Weekly Newsletter

Nursery

We have had a busy, but enjoyable first week in Nursery!

We've been settling the children into their daily routines and showing them how to use the equipment and tidy it away.

We've learnt the routine for snack time and where we go to the toilet and wash our hands.

We've also been learning all about your child – talking to them about your lives at home and seeing where they are in their learning, so we can take the next steps.

Next week we will continue with our settling in routines, getting to know the children and teaching them how to use the outside environment safely.

All the children are settling nicely into Nursery, but if you have any concerns please don't hesitate to speak to a member of Nursery staff.

We are here to help!

Reception

What a busy week we have had. We have all been working so hard and showing our teachers how good we are at lots of different things.

This week we have all been practising our handwriting every morning making sure we are holding our pencil correctly and forming our letters the right way. Keep practising writing your name at home please. In Literacy we have been listening to different stories then talking to our teachers about the story, we had to see if we could remember what happened at the beginning, middle and the end. In Maths we have been showing our teachers what we know. We have talked about 2D and 3D shapes and we have been practising counting, ordering and writing numbers. We have also been showing off our cutting skills, we have all made sure that we stayed on the lines when we were cutting out the different shapes.

We have been outside making the most of the sunny weather and our outdoor environment. In P.E. we have been practising getting changed and dressing ourselves independently. Please keep practising this at home.

Next week we are going to be doing lots of activities about 'The Gingerbread Man'. We will be listening to and joining in with the story, then retelling it. In Maths we will be doing lots of counting activities and in Topic we are going to be cooking our own gingerbread men. It looks like we are going to be very busy again.

Please can you make sure all items of clothing are named and that you practise your sounds and reading book at home every day.

Don't forget if you do something at home that makes someone go 'wow' please fill in a wow sheet and hand it to your teacher. If you need any spare sheets please ask a member of Reception staff.

Have a lovely weekend and see you all next week.

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Year 1 &
Year 2

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Year 1

We have had a very busy week in Year 1. We have been forming our digits correctly in our Maths lessons and in English we have been writing sentences using 'Fred talk' and remembering to use finger spaces.

Year 1 will be having homework every Friday. It will be due back in on the following Tuesday. One week it will be English and the next week it will be Maths. Your child will also come home every Monday with some spellings to learn for a test on Friday.

P.E. is every Monday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school. Please remember children cannot wear earrings for P.E. so ensure these are taken out.

Next week we would like your child to bring a favourite soft toy from home on Monday as we will be doing some exciting writing in our English lessons. On Tuesday morning next week Year 1 will also have a visit from Timepieces about Toys.

Have a lovely weekend.

Year 2

Year 2 have been working very hard this week. In Maths we have been practising our counting and also learning the place value of numbers.

In English we have been learning about postcards. We have written our own postcards and read stories about other people's holidays.

We have started our new topic 'London's Burning'. We will be learning about the Great Fire of London to begin with. This week we found London on a map and looked at some old pictures.

Year 2 will have P.E. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Homework will be set every Thursday. It will be due back in on the following Monday. One week it will be English and the next week it will be Maths.

The children will also be given spellings to learn every Monday ready for a spelling test on Friday.

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Year 3 &
Year 4

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Year 3

It's been a busy week for Year 3 this week, we have been learning about the author Jamila Gavin in our English lessons and have started to write our own story inspired by hers.

In our Maths lessons we have been working hard to read number lines and find the missing numbers using our place value knowledge.

We have also started to learn about our new topic which is the Stone Age and have even started to create our own cave painting!

We went swimming for the first time this week, and we were all very excited to get put into our groups and get in the pool.

Year 4

This week we have made a good start in our new Maths and English groups. We also resumed our swimming lessons that still take place on a Wednesday. Today we had our first P.E. lesson with Amy.

In English we have begun to learn and write fables. We shall continue this next week looking at how to improve our writing so far.

In Maths we have been learning about place value and also adding and subtracting using written methods. We would like to encourage you to continue to practise these at home along with regularly checking times tables knowledge.

Our new topic this term is the Stone Age. Children are encouraged to carry out research at home to bring in and share with the class.

Just as a reminder swimming is on Wednesday and P.E. is on Friday every week.

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Year 6

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Year 5

Year 5 have been working very hard this week.

Next week we will be investigating our "*How Chocolate saves the Rainforest*" topic further by identifying different rainforests around the world.

In Maths we will be focusing on our Calculation skills by multiplying and dividing numbers by 10 and 100, also using the column method for addition and subtraction.

In English we will be reading more of '*Stormbreaker*' and using this text to help us write formal letters.

We will also be continuing our African dancing in P.E., which children have thoroughly enjoyed this week!

Year 6

Year 6 has begun in earnest, and we have all be working very hard!

We have begun Mental Maths practice and Place Value reinforcement in Maths, and levelled extended writing in English.

Our Topic this term is Children of World War II – so far we have been focusing on the major people and events of the War.

Our Science concerns Life Processes this term – remember MRS GREN!

Mr Moss thoroughly enjoyed Street Dance in P.E., and looks forward to seeing the improved routines next week!

In any case, the settling-in period is definitely over, and we're getting deep into the hard work!

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