

Villiers Primary School



Nursery & Reception

Weekly Newsletter

Nursery

We've had a lovely week this week in Nursery.

This week we read 'The Three Little Pigs' story and then did lots of activities in our free play— we acted out the story with puppets, explored mixing colours to paint farm animals and tried to make the Three Little Pigs a house each!

We had a fantastic treat on Tuesday, watching the Year 2 performance of Alice in Wonderland. We know the parents of the children in Year 2 really enjoyed it too

Next week is our last week in school. We have lots of exciting assemblies to present certificates and badges to children with high attendance, attainment and to celebrate the wonderful year we have had in school!

On Monday we have Parents Afternoon/Evening. The afternoon starts at 2:00 pm and ends at 3:00pm. The evening session starts at 4:00pm and ends at 6:00pm. Please be aware that unless you have asked for an appointment you will not be able to see your child's key worker. We have no appointments left for the afternoon, although you can come and see your child's work in that slot. We still have appointments left in the evening— please see your child's key worker before the Parents Evening to make an appointment. This is a new system for the school, so please be patient and be aware their may be some teething problems. If you have an appointment in the afternoon, you can take your child home with you afterwards. All other parents please collect your child as normal at 3:20pm.

Next week we will be collecting in reading books, ready for next year. Over the holidays please continue to practise the words, sounds and numbers your child has and send them back in September. We will not be having PE again this year, so you do not need to return kits until next year.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Reception

This week we have been working hard to complete our portfolios which will follow us throughout school and are filled with our memories and achievements.

On Tuesday we watched Year 2's production of 'Alice in Wonderland'. It was amazing and we all had lots of laughs at the strange characters.

Thursday was a very exciting day! We met our new teachers ready for Year One! We are looking forward to getting to know them but we will miss our Reception teachers. Our new teachers will be Mrs Richards, Mrs Wilson/Mrs Chapman and Mrs Hollington.

We also had our reports on Thursday and hope parents are very proud of us. Next week is our last week in Reception (where has the time gone!) It is going to be jam packed full with assemblies to celebrate our achievements and hopefully lots of certificates for us!

Don't forget it is parents evening on Monday and any parents that have requested a slot will have received a time in their child's report. Our parents evenings have a new format this year. Children will be able to sit with parents to discuss their work as well as join in with discussions between parents and teachers.

Please remember we break up on Friday 17th July. We will be collecting reading books in next week and sending P.E kits home ready for children to take to their new classes.

Wishing you a lovely weekend and we will see you for our final week in Reception on Monday.

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Year 1 &
Year 2

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Year 1

Year 1 have been mastering their maths skills this week. They started the week designing and then making a maths game. They then wrote instructions about how to play the games. At the end of the week the children then took turns to play the games. There was a variety of games made—Snakes and Ladders, Top Trumps, maths general knowledge games and matching games. The children really enjoyed making these games. Over the Summer holiday please encourage your child to repeat this activity at home and send in any games that are made. I am sure these would make a great addition to wet playtimes.

In English the children have taken part in a mini-project about pirates. They watched a cartoon about pirates, followed instructions about how to make a pirate hat, acted out a pirate story and finally wrote a pirate story.

In Science the children continued to learn about living things. This week they focused on what living things need to survive.

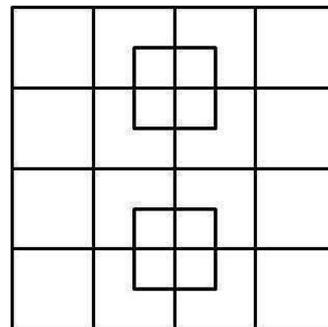
In Topic the children continued working on their island models. Mrs Sherratt's class have been making islands in groups, Miss Billingsley's class have been painting islands and Mr Booth's class have been making a large, whole-class papier-mâché island. At the end of the term someone from Mr Booth's class will be randomly chosen to take the island home.

A reminder that Parent's Evening is on Monday. This is a less formal event where you can look at your child's books and then visit the class teachers if you have made an appointment. If you have not booked, please still turn up.

Year 2

This week started off with a few nervous children (and teachers) as the final bit of work took place for the production of Alice In Wonderland. On Tuesday the children performed a dress rehearsal to the whole school. There was not a missed line or incorrect dance move insight and this really boosted confidence. Wednesday's and Thursday's performances (as you know) then went very smoothly and professionally. I would like to take this chance to thank all of the children and their parents/guardians for their efforts in the play. I would also like to thank the teachers for organising such an astounding production. Who knew Miss Doyle could dance like that? Watch out Britain's Got Talent 2016!

In Maths the children have been taking part in a number of puzzles and problems. The teachers were trying to think of ways to challenge the pupils and generate some higher-level thinking. A favourite of mine was...



How many squares can you see?

If you can solve this puzzle please speak to Miss Collinson and she may award you with a prize. In English the pupils have been

writing about Alice in Wonderland. They wrote character descriptions and then a story with an alternative ending.

Please remember that Parent's Evening starts on Monday afternoon. The children's work books will be available so you can come in and share in their successes. If you have not booked a teacher meeting time, please feel free to turn up.

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Year 3 &
Year 4

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Year 3

This week in English we have been focusing on reading. We have been improving our inference and deduction skills and we have written book reviews to recommend our favourite books to others.

In maths we have continued to improve our problem solving skills. We are getting much better at this!

In Topic, we found out about famous people from the Black Country. We were surprised to find that there are quite a few!

In Art we have created silhouettes of the Black Country using watercolours.

On Tuesday we had fantastic time watching the Year 2 production of Alice in Wonderland. It brought back lots of memories of when we did ours.

Thursday was a an exciting day because we got to meet our new teachers and find out who our new classmates will be.

Next week will be our final week in school. we will be having lots of special assemblies where we will be handing out trophies and awards. It will also be the Year 6 leavers assembly.

A reminder that Monday is Parents Evening. Children's books will be available for parents to view with your children from 2pm.

Have a good weekend everyone.

Year 4

In English this week we designed our own item of jewels to be part of the Crown Jewels. We used descriptive language to describe each item and then used persuasive language to encourage other people in the group to purchase them. Please remember to read your book at home each night.

In Maths, Miss Wood's Group have been looking at money and area and perimeter, Ms Harris' have been data handling while Miss Burkitt's group have been using division to solve word problems.

We were lucky enough to watch Year 6's Production of 'Oliver' and Year 2's Production of 'Alice In Wonderland' this week. Both performances were fantastic and it was clear to see the effort put in by both teachers and the children.

Thursday was an exciting day as we met our new class teacher and saw our new classroom. We are looking forward to starting in Year 5.

Monday will be our Summer Open Afternoon and all parents who requested a time will find their appointment in their report envelope. If you haven't requested a time to see a teacher your child's books will be available for viewing 2pm-3pm and 4pm-6pm if you would like to see them.

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Year 6

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Year 5

Year 5 have really enjoyed this week. In English we had the amazing opportunity to use "Epic Citadel" on iPads and have used this as an inspiration for writing. In Maths we have been investigating puzzles and logic problems and in Science we designed and made our own bridges.

We were able to watch the Year 6 production of Oliver and the Year 2 production of Alice in Wonderland. We also got to find out our new classes and class teachers for September.

Next week we look forward to our awards assemblies and spending the last few days together in Year 5. Don't forget, it is our open evening Monday 13th July, where parents can come and view their child's work with them in class and celebrate the fantastic work they have achieved over the year. It has been a roller-coaster ride for Year 5, but through it all the children have stayed resilient and coped with the changes.

All of the teachers in Year 5 would like to send our thanks to all the parents and guardians for their continued support and we wish all the children the best of luck for next year! :)

Have a great holiday!!

Year 6

It has been another exciting week for Year 6!

We hope you enjoyed the Villiers KS2 Production of Oliver. We would just like to take this opportunity to say a huge well done to all the children – they were fantastic from beginning to end. In fact, each performance became better and stronger as they really took on the role of their characters. Thank you to everyone who attended the performances.

It was lovely to watch the KS1 production of Alice in Wonderland. Again, we thought the children performed confidently and sang beautifully.

This week the children have been practising for their Leavers Assembly and have worked well with each other to create their ideas.

They have also been busy with designing posters for several competitions and some very unusual designs have been created. It will be interesting to see who the winners will be.

There is still a lot happening next week:

Monday 13th July – Parents Evening (appointment times have been allocated but you are still welcome to come along and look through your child's work alongside them)

Tuesday 14th July – Some children will be visiting Cineworld as a reward trip in the morning and it is the Year 6 Slumber Party in the afternoon.

Wednesday 15th July – Year 6 Prom Night

Friday 17th July – Leavers' Assembly

Well we're finally coming close to the end of the summer term and for our Year Sixes it will be the end of their primary school life. However, it will also be the beginning of a new journey into their next phase of education. Good Luck and enjoy your last week at Villiers!