

12th January 2024

Message from Mr Green

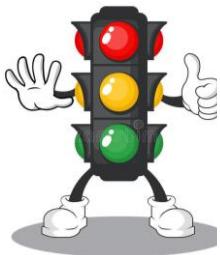
Happy Friday!

Week 1 feels like it has gone at the same supersonic speed as the holidays for us and we hit the ground running on Monday. We began Spring 1 with the building exactly as it should be - full of life with children eager to tell us their news and stories of the wondrous things they had done over the last two weeks! With all the smiles and enthusiasm, it was clear that they were all happy and raring to learn, if not a little bit tired as they settled back into the school day routine.

I have attached a letter this week from Jessica Jenkins, who is starting the New Year as Executive Principal here at Victoria. Mrs Jenkins will be working with me and the team to ensure that we can push the school to the next level after securing our Good with Ofsted a year ago. I have worked with Mrs Jenkins for many years, and I am very excited by the potential of what we can all achieve together!

Have a great weekend and I will see you all on Monday!

Attendance



This week:	91.95%
So far this year:	92.2%
EYFS/KS1 winner:	95%
KS2 winner:	96.67%

Well done to **2MH** and **4LP** who will be spending next week with **Biscuit Bear!**

Reminders PE - Kit

Black, Navy, or white T-Shirt; Black or Navy shorts or joggers. Long hair to be tied back with a bobble. Earrings – stud earrings only to be worn for health and safety reasons.

Monday to Thursday

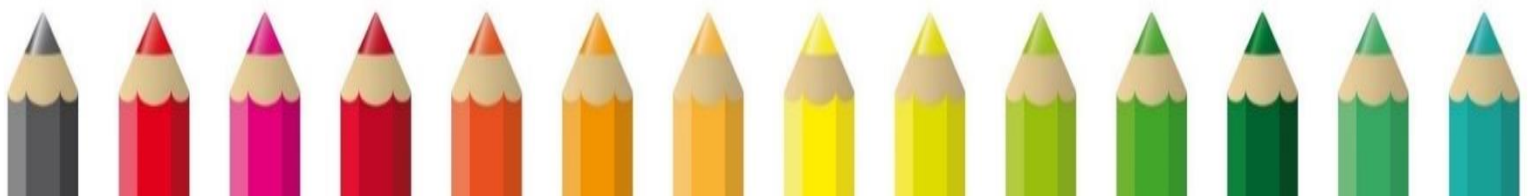
Community Pantry, Uniform / Clothing Exchange
3.15pm - 3.45pm

Thursday

Parent coffee and crafting sessions with Julie Parker Leeds Learning Hub
1.15pm - 3.15pm

Friday

Coffee mornings with Miss Dooley & Mrs. Connolly in the staffroom - all welcome! Please call in and join us!
8.45am - 9.30am



UKS2 Showcase some Fabulous Artwork!

This week, our children have been immersed in the vibrant world of David Hockney. Below are overviews that showcase their talent as they explore the colourful palette of this renowned artist!



Polygon Perfection!

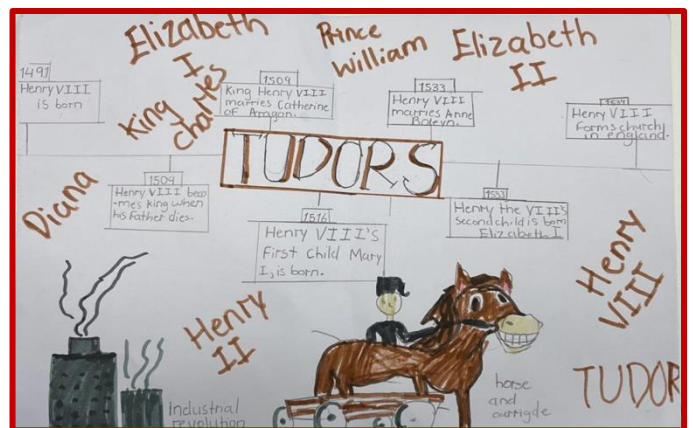
Our mathematicians shone this week as they beautifully presented their intricate studies on quadrilaterals and triangles - turning abstract concepts into visual masterpieces!



The Tudors

LKS2 are investigating the Tudors over the next 5 weeks, and it looks like Lord just couldn't wait to get going! With the help of his sister Michelle, he has created this fantastic overview as homework over the holidays!

We can't wait to see the work our year 3 and year 4 children produce on the Tudors during Spring 1!



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RE: Executive Principal : Victoria Academy

Dear parents/carers,

I feel very proud to share that as of the start of this term, I joined the Victoria team as an Executive Principal. I am writing to introduce myself and express how delighted I am to join your exceptional community. The Trust and Governing Body have appointed me not only to lead Victoria Academy but also the school I have led for many years in Barnsley, Oakwell Rise Primary Academy.

I have been a leader for many years and worked for Wellspring Academy Trust for nearly a decade. My passion is to ensure children are happy, have the very best education and school experience, working within teams who are just as dedicated. Victoria Academy has been on an immense journey and one of which I have had involvement with as a Principal within the partnership of the five schools who work very closely together. I have worked with several of the leaders at Victoria over time so have a good understanding and love for the school.

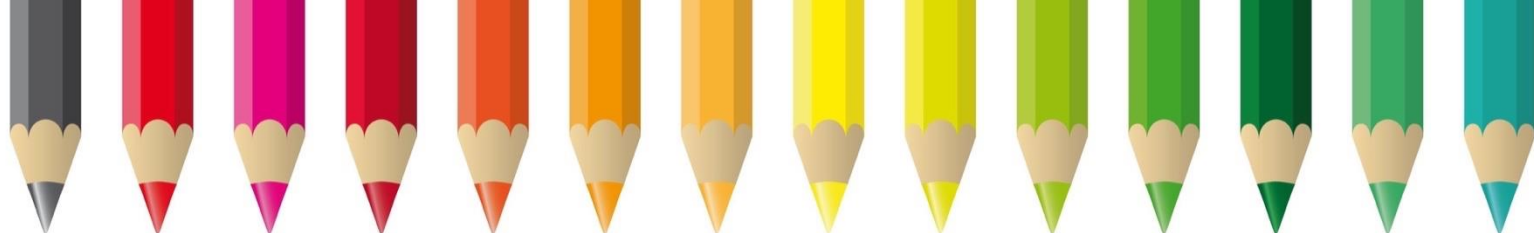
As a community, I know how proud you are of the successes of the school and how much you care about its future. My role will be to work at a strategic level with your Principal (Mr Green) and the other leaders to support its continued success. Fundamentally, things will feel very similar for you and your family however it is important you know that I am here and a part of your community. I will be spending my time in both schools and very much looking forward to meeting you and the children in the coming weeks.

If you have any further questions, both Mr Green and myself are very happy to talk and support you.

Warm regards,

J. Jenkins

Jessica Jenkins
Executive Principal



Spring 1	Events
8 th January	School opens Monday 8 th January for Spring 1
15 th January	Spring Clubs begin
17 th January	Extreme Readers Event – Pizza Express
18 th January	Parents Craft/Maths classes begin in the schoolhouse (1.15pm)
24 th January	Reception Visit to St Phillips Church
25 th January	Year 3 and Year 4 Visit to Mosque
31 st January	Fire Brigade Visiting EYFS
31 st January	Year 6 Parents consultations
1 st February	Year 6 Parents consultations
1 st February	Wellbeing Warrior Trip to Sculpture Park
2 nd February	Nursery dress up day (Topic Related)
8 th February	Maths City Trip
8 th February	Young Voices Choir Sheffield
8 th February	School closes Thursday 8 th February for Half Term
9 th February	Wellspring Festival of Learning - school closed
19 th February	School opens Monday 19 th February for Spring 2

