



Vigo Primary Newsletter

Newsletter Number 1 - 8 September 2023

Message From Mrs Dance

Dear parents and carers,

I hope that this first newsletter of the autumn term finds you all well. It has certainly been a hot week this week!

The children have returned to school brilliantly; I have been very impressed with their motivation, kindness and respectfulness. The school has been a hive of activity and learning, with the children (and I) familiarising themselves with their new classrooms and teachers. I am slowly getting to know the children and will continue to spend time in and out of classes and out at breaktimes and lunchtimes building positive relationships with them all.

Thank you to everyone, children, staff and parents for making me feel so welcome as I join the community. Vigo is definitely a wonderful place to spend each day!

If you have any questions or concerns, please do contact the school office so that we can support you all.

Have a wonderful, sunny weekend.

Rachel Dance

Headteacher

Attendance Important Information

**Whole School attendance
this year 96.33%**

Albert the Alpaca will begin spending time in classes with the best attendance next week!

Please think carefully before keeping your child away from school.

As parents and carers you have a responsibility to inform the school before 9.00am if your child will not be in school, this can be done via the email address attendance@vigo.hants.sch.uk or by calling the school and selecting option 1 [More about attendance at Vigo >>](#)

School Lunches



School lunches are now provided by Dolce Catering. Lunches must be ordered in advance at home via the SchoolGrid website. We have sent log on details and passwords to all parents/carers.

If you have not received your link please let the office know so we can check we have your correct e-mail address.



“Just imagine how different the world could be if we all spoke to everyone with respect and kindness.”

Holly Branson

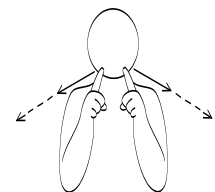
Sign of the Week

There are two signs for this week



This is the sign for
school

ask your child to sign them with you



This is the sign for
teacher

Keeping Children Safe

Please follow these links for help with keeping your children safe:

How to keep a child safe on Netflix:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/netflix/>

The risks of using Signal:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/signal/>

The risks of using Omegle:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/omegle/>

Parent Zone provides advice on many websites your children may use:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/advice/parent-guides>

Vodafone Digital Parenting advice page:

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting>

PE Timetable Summer Term 1

Please ensure you send your children into school in PE kit on the following days:

Year R - Thursday

Year 1 - Thursday and Friday

Year 2 - Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 3 - Wednesday and Friday

Year 4 - Monday and Thursday

Year 5 - Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 6 - Monday and Tuesday

Warm Weather!!



Please can you ensure that children have sun cream applied before school, and a sun hat and water bottle is sent to school with them.

If you send sun cream into school for them to re-apply please make sure it is labelled.

FOOTWEAR—For health and safety reasons, pupils must wear flat, closed toe, black footwear. Boots should not be worn without prior consent. Trainers may be worn for PE and at lunchtimes only.



Junior Governors

At the end of the month we will be holding our junior governor elections for years 1-6.

Any children interested in running for election need to prepare either a picture, a list of promises or some ideas to talk about, on how they plan to improve the school. Ideally they would talk for 1-2 minutes. If your child has other ideas about how they would like to present they are more than welcome use those.

Once all children have presented, the top three from each class will be chosen to go forward to the school election. If your child would like to be a junior governor, please could they have their ideas ready to present by the 18th September.

DAY	OPENING TIMES
MONDAY	8:30am – 3:45pm
TUESDAY	8:30am – 3:45pm
WEDNESDAY	8:30am – 3:45pm
THURSDAY	8:30am – 3:45pm
FRIDAY	8:30am – 3:45pm

The school offices and telephone lines are staffed during the above opening times. Outside of these times you can call the school office and leave a message on 01264 365166 or email to adminoffice@vigo.hants.sch.uk. Messages are checked daily during term time.

Clothing Bank

If you are having a clear out, or the children have had a growth spurt, please remember the school receive funds every time our clothing bank is emptied.



Illness and Attendance

If your child is feeling poorly, please follow this [link>>](#). This can also be found on our website here <https://www.vigo.hants.sch.uk/health-advice-should-your-child-go-to-school-today/> to check whether they should come into school. The NHS have put this together as an easy to follow guide for parents. You will be able to find this link at the bottom of one page of the newsletter every week.

Please can we remind you that it is your responsibility to report your child's absence from school. This should be done in a timely manner and on each day of their absence.

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Diary Dates

Autumn Term 1 2023			
01/09/2023	Inset Day 1		
04/09/2023	School Open to all Students	17/11/2023	FoVP Dress Down for Christmas Raffle
11/09/2023	Secondary School Applications Open		
22/09/2023	Year 6 Victorian Day		
23/09/2023	FoVP Inflatable Fun Day 12-4pm		
		02/12/2023	FoVP Christmas Fayre
		06/12/2023	FoVP Yr R Tea Party
		08/12/2023	FoVP Years 1-6 Disco
29/09/2023	FoVP Dress Down Day in aid of ACE	18/12/2023 - 02/01/2024 Christmas Holidays	
05/10/2023	NHS Flu Vaccinations in School	Spring Term 1 2024	
		02/01/2024	Inset Day 3
		03/01/2024	School Open for all Students
		12 - 16/02/2024 Half Term to Spring Term 2	
		19/02/2024	School Open for all Students
		01 - 12/04/2024 Easter Holidays	
		Summer Term 1 2024	
		15/04/2024	School Open for all Students
20/10/2023	Inset Day 2		
23 - 27/10/2023 Half Term to Autumn 2			
28/10/2023	FoVP Fireworks Display 5-8pm	24/05/2024	Inset Day 4
30/10/2023	School Open to all Students	27 - 31/05/2024 Half Term to Summer Term 2	
31/10/2023	Deadline for Secondary School Applications	03/06/2024	School Open for all Students
01/11/2023	Year R Applications Open	01/07/2024	Inset Day 5
		23/07/2024 End of Summer Term	

Message from Friends of Vigo Primary



Friends of Vigo Primary run regular events to raise money for our School. On Saturday 23rd September there will be inflatable fun day 12-4pm. On Saturday 28th October there will be our annual fireworks display 5pm -8pm. We are looking for volunteers for both events, please contact FoVP via our Face Book page if you can help.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

Under 13 Roblox PopJam FaceTime	13+ Twitter Facebook and Messenger Viber WeChat Monkey Yubo Dubsplash Instagram	13+ TikTok Skype Google Hangouts Reddit Snapchat Pinterest	16+ WhatsApp Telegram Messenger Tumblr
Sourced from NSPCC website October 2019			
17+ Line Sarahah Tellonym			

Parking

Can we remind all parents and Carers not to park on the grass verges and pavements on Vigo Road. Parking here blocks pathways used by wheelchair users and parents with pushchairs, and obstructs lines of sight causing further safety issues.

We are a community that needs to take care of each other and Keep each other safe.