



Vigo Primary Newsletter

Newsletter Number 02 - 13 September 2024

Message From Mrs Dance

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this second newsletter of the autumn term finds you all well.

This week we were delighted to welcome the author Pete Murray into school to carry out workshops with Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. The children were inspired by his books and teaching, so much so, that many children bought his books and are still wearing 'space buns' in their hair! I have bought each class in KS2 a set of his books, so all of the children can access the amazing fictional worlds that Pete creates.



This week, myself and the school leadership team have been walking around school at different parts of the day and have once again been delighted with the learning behaviours of all of the children. All of our visitors this week have commented on the calm, purposeful and happy environments both inside and outside of the classroom.

You may see me out and about at the start of the day. In such a big school, it can be a challenge to get around the entire school at drop off time, but a challenge that I am determined to succeed with. I will be alternating between both KS1 and KS2 playgrounds at the start of each day, so please do come and say hello.

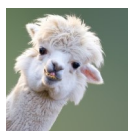
Finally, I am fully aware of the difficulties around parking at the start and the end of the school day. I am aware of your frustrations and am continuing to work with all necessary agencies, Test Valley Borough Council, Hampshire Highways and the police to support any changes that will alleviate the congestion. To that end, please park considerately for our neighbours and remember that the park and stride initiative allows you to park in local carparks and walk into school. Please click on the following link to the Travel Plan page on our school website for more information [Vigo Primary School - Travel Plan](#)

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Rachel Dance

Headteacher

Attendance Important Information



'Albert the Attendance Alpaca' this week:

Whole School attendance this year 95.86%
Best attendance, and winners of
Australia Class with 97.83%
Seal Class with 96.21%
Madagascar Class with 95.96%
Well Done!

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.

"One of the most beautiful things we can do is help one another. Kindness doesn't cost a thing."

Helen Barry

Sign of the Week

There are two signs for this week



This is the sign for **Who** This is the sign for **Why**
ask your child to sign them with you

Malala Yousafzai:

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Rosa Parks:

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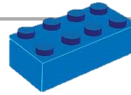
Anne Frank:

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Nick Vujicic:

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Lego Donations



We are hoping to run a Lego club again this term, but our Lego boxes are looking a little empty. If you have any Lego at home that you would be willing to donate to school we would be very grateful.

Flu Vaccine information

Each winter in the UK, thousands of children who do not have a health condition need hospital care because of flu.

We will again be working with the NHS so that the Hampshire School Nursing team can administer the flu vaccine to all our children this year.

We will send all the details about how you can give permission, and when the team will be in school as soon as we have it.

If you would like more information about the flu vaccine please follow this link:

[Children's flu vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

Assemblies



Please can all parents/carers remember **NO** photographs or videos **during** assemblies. We will give you time at the end.



No Vaping or Smoking

Can we please remind all adults that the entirety of Vigo and Norman Gate School grounds are No Smoking and No Vaping areas. Thank you.



Vigo Primary School Open Day Events...

Vigo Primary School - Ofsted Rated 'Good' - Oct 2022

"Everyone is welcome and valued here...inclusion and high expectations sit at the heart of the schools culture."

Is your child due to start school in September 2025?

Why not come along and see what Vigo Primary School Can offer? To book your space please contact the school office on 01264 365166



Scan the QR code to visit our school tour page on our website



Vigo Primary School...Opening a World of Learning and Opportunity



2024...
Monday 7th October - 10:30am
Tuesday 12th November - 5.30pm
Friday 6th December - 10.30am
Friday 6th December - 4.00pm

Saturday 11th January 2025 - 9-11am

One parent said... "The school has an amazing staff who go above and beyond to support children's needs."



Vigo Primary School
We welcome you to follow our school Facebook page to keep up to date with the latest news and to share celebration posts.

www.vigo.hants.sch.uk [@VigoPrimarySchool2220](https://www.facebook.com/VigoPrimarySchool2220)



Plant to Plate





Would you like to grow your own vegetables?

Do you have limited space?

Would you like to learn how?

Contact our community team to get involved in this fantastic new project!

 **03304 004 116**

 **info@unityonline.org.uk**

Free planting equipment available!
www.unityonline.org.uk
Registered Company no: 3332003 Registered Charity no: 1061655

Fully Funded (FREE) school support courses for parents

This course is aimed to support parents and carers who are looking to get back into work, by offering them an opportunity for them to gain the necessary skills for free, for a school support job that fits in with their family.



Free Online Courses







www.studysmartuk.online



**Next Start date
30th September**

**Six Week Course
Mon - Fri
9:30 - 11:30am
12:30 - 2:30pm
4 - 4:30pm
(last optional session for reflection and support if needed)**

**CACHE Certificate in Understanding Safeguarding & Prevent
CACHE Certificate in Understanding Challenging Behaviours
CACHE Certificate in the Principles of SEN
Levels 1, 2 & 3**

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Diary Dates

Autumn Term 1 2024			
02/09/2024	Inset Day 1	15/11/2024	Dress Down for Children in Need - Monetary donations
03/09/2024	Inset Day 2	15/11/2024	School Nurses administering Flu Vaccines Yr 6
04/09/2024	School open to all students	20/11/2024	Individual school photo's
06/09/2024	Yr 4 Anglo Saxon Immersion Day	21/11/2024	Wear Odd Socks for anti-Bullying - No donations
09/09/2024	Secondary School Applications open	06/12/2024	Yr R 2025 Open morning 10:30
16/09/2024	Yr 6 Meet the Teacher 15:15	06/12/2024	Yr R 2025 Open afternoon 16:00
17/09/2024	Yr 4 Meet the Teacher 15:15		
18/09/2024	Yr 1 Meet the Teacher 15:15	TBC Nov	Donations for Food Bank for Christmas
19/09/2024	Yr 2 Meet the Teacher 15:15	23/12/2024 - 03/01/2025 Christmas Holidays	
24/09/2024	Yr 3 Meet the Teacher 15:15	Spring Term 1 2024	
25/09/2024	Yr R Meet the Teacher 8:45	06/01/2025	Inset Day 3
26/09/2024	Yr 5 Meet the Teacher 15:15	07/01/2025	School open to all students
24/09/2024	Yr 6 Victorian Immersion Day	11/01/2025	Yr R 2025 open morning 9:00 - 11:00
01/10/2024	Harvest Festival donations for Andover Food Bank	15/01/2025	Year R Applications Close
		07/02/2025	Dress Down Day for Spotlight UK - Monetary donations
17/10/2024	Yr R 2025 open morning 10:30	17-21/02/2025 Half Term to Spring Term 2	
		24/02/2025	Inset Day 4
		24/02/2025	School open for all students
		21/03/2025	Dress Down for Red Rose Day - Monetary donation
28/10 - 1/11/2024 Half Term to Autumn 2		07 - 21/04/2025 Easter Holidays	
		Summer Term 1 2024	
		21/04/2025	Bank Holiday
31/10/2024	Deadline for Secondary School applications	22/04/2025	School open for all students
01/11/2024	Year R Applications open	25/04/2025	Leukaemia UK Easter Bake - Dress Down day and bring/buy cakes
04/11/2024	School open to all students	09/05/2025	Hospice awareness week - Dress Down Day - Monetary donations for Countess of Brecknock
4-8/11/2024	Yr 6 Residential at Calshot	26 - 30/05/2025 Half Term to Summer Term 2	
		02/06/2025	Inset Day 5
07/11/2024	School Nurses administering Flu Vaccines Yr R - Yr 5	03/06/2025	School open to all students
		13/06/2025	Wear Blue for diabetes awareness - No Donation
		20/06/2025	Dress Down in Purple or blue for Purple Oak - Monetary donation
11/11/2024	Remembrance Day- Wear something red or Cub/Brownie uniform	TBC July	Donations for Food Bank
12/11/2024	Yr R 2025 Open afternoon 17:30	22/07/2025 Last Day of Summer Term	

Owlets

Iceland	Kyra S	for settling into Year 1 and following the classroom expectations. Well done!
	Nadia K	for settling into Year 1 and following the classroom expectations. Well done!
Norway	Eleanor A	for settling beautifully into Norway class and trying her hardest to follow our Vigo Hi-5. Welcome to Vigo Eleanor!
Portugal	Aolani-Rose F	for starting Year 1 with enthusiasm and motivation towards her learning and showing respect to others.
	Evadene P	for starting Year 1 with a fantastic attitude towards her learning and being a wonderful role model to Portugal class.
Brazil	Misha B	for settling into school and consistently following the Vigo Hi-5.
	Marlie M	for having an amazing first week at Vigo and settling in to the school routines well.
Chile	James P	for making a brilliant start at Vigo and demonstrating all of the MIRROR Values.
	Viveka S	for being incredibly motivated towards all of her learning. Well done Viveka!
Peru	Caoimhe C	for focusing and completing some fantastic mathematics on partitioning numbers into tens and ones.
	Jenna M	for having a wonderful attitude towards her learning at the start of Year 2!
Australia	Bella S	for joining the school and Australia class with a winning attitude.
	Jacob L	for excellent motivation in your learning and being a leader by helping others on your table.
Fiji	Ethan H	for working really hard in Maths showing his independence.
	Michalina B	for a fantastic start to the year and being super resilient.
New Zealand	Lee M	for settling in quickly to Vigo Primary School and becoming a positive, responsible member of New Zealand Class.
	Arianna R	for making a fantastic start to Year 3, showing motivation and independence in her learning.
Georgia	Kelsea N	for showing motivation to succeed in Maths lessons, and for being a valuable member of Georgia class.
	Rex D	for showing resilience and an amazing start to Year 4.
Japan	Tannah R	for some excellent contributions in class to support the class with the new year 4 learning. Well done!
	Oliver T	for showing an open-minded approach to your new learning at the start of year 4.
Nepal	Robin D	for being motivated and open-minded to the new experiences of year 4.
	Amy B	for a super start to year 4, showing motivation to her learning and supporting friends with theirs.
Costa Rica	David M	for a great first week in Costa Rica Class.
	Liam P	for a great start to Vigo.
Jamaica	George H	for returning to school with a fantastic attitude to learning, showing once again that he is an asset to the Vigo community.
	Linara L	for giving her work 110% effort and making a super start to Year 5!
USA	Harley R	for being open minded and trying new approaches to learning, well done!
	Oliver L	for being independent in all of your learning this week, well done!
Kenya	Lily-Rose F	for being independent and reading everyday.
	Cairenn M	for settling in brilliantly to Kenya class and completing everything to a fantastic standard.
Madagascar	Bianca A	for being a kind, hard working and helpful member of Madagascar Class.
	Mason G	for settling well into the Year 6 classroom and working hard in all lessons.
South Africa	Megan F	for an excellent start to year 6. You have been focused and ready to learn. Keep it up!
	Demi B	for a fantastic start to year 6. We have been so impressed with your attitude to learning! Keep it up.



Milkshake Time

Congratulations to the following children who were selected for Milkshake time:

Lourenco W Nefes R Tyler W Charlie D Phoebe O Alvin G Mario M Isaac B Keaton E
 Riley C Oscar L Finley P Samuel W Isabella K Luidy A Oliver D Joey H