



Vigo Primary Newsletter

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Message From Mrs Dance

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was certainly a mixed bag of weather last week- one-minute beautiful clear skies and the next rain! The weather doesn't dampen our spirits here at Vigo- forest school and PE sessions outside still formed part of the children's learning tapestry last week.

On Wednesday, Mr Dockree and Mr Burdock, took three football teams (girls and boys) to Balksbury for a tournament. As always, the teams represented our school brilliantly and played with grit and determination as well as exemplifying great teamwork.

World Book Day was a huge success! The children and staff all looked brilliant and the beaming faces on the children really made our fun day of reading so special. Year 6 had a special visitor (Al Sylvester) in to talk about his polar expeditions and said that he was blown away by our staff and children's efforts to celebrate reading. He said he always loves coming to Vigo, but today was his favourite so far!

On Tuesday, Mrs Roach and Miss Marta (Art specialist teacher) took some children to our local maternity ward to deliver some Mother's Day cards for future mummies from us at Vigo. We received the following email:

We just wanted to update you and say how very well received your beautiful and thoughtful Mother's Day cards have been, you have brightened some very tired mummies day today and made people smile with your thoughtfulness.

The care and love that has gone into making these cards is just wonderful – I have copied our community Matron into this email so she is aware of this fabulous and very kind gesture.

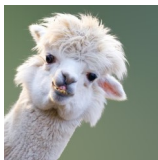
Thank you again

I Hope you had a lovely weekend celebrating all of the leading ladies in your lives.

Rachel Dance

Headteacher

Attendance Important Information



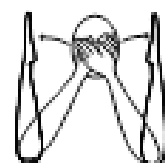
Whole School attendance this year 94.93%
Best attendance, and winners of 'Albert the Attendance Alpaca' this week:
Seal Class with 99.64%
Georgia Class with 97.83%
Costa Rica Class with 97.87%
Well Done!

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.

[More about attendance at Vigo >>](#)

Sign of the Week



This is the sign for **Mothers Day**
ask your child to sign with you

Malala Yousafzai:
2228

Rosa Parks:
1477

Anne Frank:
1788

Nick Vujicic:
2420

“I think probably kindness is my number one attribute in a human being. I’ll put it before any of the things like courage, or bravery, or generosity, or anything else...

Kindness—that simple word.

To be kind—it covers everything, to my mind. If you’re kind that’s it.”

Roald Dahl



Message from Friends of Vigo Primary

Please be aware of the following events being organised by Friends of Vigo Primary. For more information please go to their Facebook page or email vigopta@gmail.com

- 22nd March - Cake sale and Easter raffle
- 26th April - Dress Down Day for donation to ACE

Cold and Wet Weather

Please can you ensure that children have a coat suitable for the weather conditions each day, especially on Forest School days.

We will always try and get the children outside at breaks and lunchtimes, even if it is cold or wet.

Head Lice

We have been made aware of headlice in multiple year groups in school. It is recommended that all parents across the whole school check their child’s hair at least weekly.

We would ask ALL parents to check hair and treat as necessary. It’s frustrating when parents clear their child’s hair only for them to catch them again!

Can you help support Stanley?

Stanley will be attending Scout camp in Kandersteg, Switzerland this summer. He will be sole scout representative from his group (23rd Andover). Stanley is currently raising funds to cover the cost of the trip.

In April Stanley will be taking part in a 25 mile hike, along the Testway, over two days. This will be a massive physical challenge for him and he is asking for sponsorship.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/elizabeth-foulston?utm_term=RJBeqWKzb

Class Attendance Reward



12 - 16/02/2024 Half Term to Spring Term 2	
19/02/2024	School Open for all Students
22/02/2024	Yr 2 Trip to Winchester Science Centre
07/03/2024	World Book Day
07/03/2024	Yr 6 visit from Al Sylvester
08/03/2024	Mothers Day Afternoon Tea 2:00-3:00pm
08/03/2024	FoVP Dress Down Day—Chocolate donations
08/03/2024	FoVP Mother’s Day sale
13/03/2024	Attendance coffee and cake drop in 9:00am – details to follow
15/03/2024	Red Nose Day—Wear something red with your uniform for a donation
20-24/03/2024	Walk to School Week
22/03/2024	FoVP Cake Sale and Easter Raffle
27/03/2024	Year 5 Trip to Hampton Court Palace
01 - 12/04/2024 Easter Holidays	
Summer Term 1 2024	
15/04/2024	School Open for all Students
26/04/2024	FoVP Dress Down Day—Donations to ACE
24/05/2024	Inset Day 4
27 - 31/05/2024 Half Term to Summer Term 2	
01/06/2024	School Open for all Students
28/06/2024	Country Dancing Festival, team to John Hanson School
01/07/2024	Inset Day 5
23/07/2024 End of Summer Term	

Bikeability During Easter

Bikeability will be visiting Portway Junior School in the Easter Holidays for some Bikeability sessions which parents can book their children onto:

- 1:1 Learn to Ride
- KS1 Cycling
- Level 1
- Level 2
- Level 3

Booking is via this link.

<https://shop.hants.gov.uk/collections/hampshire-outdoors-bikeability>

100% Attendance

As part of Vigo's aim for amazing attendance, a weekly raffle will be drawn for children with 100% attendance. Each Friday, a child from each year with 100% attendance that week will win a special ticket to have a dip in The Meadow prize box.

Winners of the 100% attendance this week are:

Year 1 - Mollie S Year 2 - Beau H Year 3 - Harrison Y
Year 4 - Bella C-B Year 5 - Zaara A Year 6 - Harry S

Spring Flowers

Spring may seem a long way off, but the daffodils are already starting to bloom! While we understand how tempting it is to pick them can we remind you that wild flowers need to be left where they are so they can complete their life cycle and produce seeds ready for next spring. All the daffodils, and other flowers that the council have planted, belong to the council and picking them is legally seen as theft.

ANDOVER TOWN YOUTH UNDER 11'S ORCAS
(CURRENT YEAR 5 AND 6)

WE ARE A NEWLY FORMED TEAM LOOKING FOR GIRLS TO JOIN

- QUALIFIED COACHES
- TOURNAMENTS
- TEA EVENTS
- FUN PROGRESSIVE TRAINING
- MATCHDAY KITS

TRAINING: THURSDAY
MATCHES: SUNDAY

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Dates ANDOVER

Pilgrims cross
Wed 3rd/Tues 9th

Endeavour
Fri 5th/Thurs 11th

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Pilgrims cross
Tues 2nd/Mon 8th

Endeavour
Thurs 4th/wed 10th

stow sports Easter Sports Holiday Course

stow sports Easter Football Holiday Course

Breast Walk Ever Hampshire

Sunday 12 May 2024

Take part from just **£13**

IBM, Hursley, SO21 2JN

Three distance options with feed stations. Medal for all finishers, dogs welcome.

Raise funds for secondary spread breast cancer research at the University of Southampton.

Family, friendly fun. Children's activities available on the day

Sign up at breastwalkever.org

AG IN ST breast cancer

NHS
Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

CELEBRATING NEURODIVERSITY

A day that focuses on skills and strategies, for parents and carers, and professionals supporting an autistic young person. Hampshire CAMHS Colleagues will be leading this day in co-production with HPCN.

The Kids Coach will focus on School based anxiety & Advocating with schools

Wednesday 19th June 2024, United Reform Church, Jewry St, Winchester SO23 8RZ

TICKETS £25 includes tea and coffee

For more information and to book a place go to www.hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/campaigns/