

**VICTORIA PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

9th January 2009

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all.

Please see separate sheet for Diary Dates for the term.

Staffing

Class 8 - Mrs Copley remains unwell and will not be returning for at least another three weeks. Mr James will continue to teach the class.

Class 13 – Congratulations to Mrs Wragg who is expecting her first child. Mrs Wragg and Mr Husband will share the teaching of class 13 for this term and when Mrs Wragg goes off on maternity in April, Mr Husband will teach the class full time.

Congratulations to Miss Warne, learning assistant in class 1 who is expecting her second child and will take maternity leave at the end of term.

Childhood Illnesses

As we have pregnant staff in school could I please ask parents to be particularly careful if their child has an illness that can affect expectant mothers e.g. slapped cheek, German Measles. Please let the school know as early as possible so that staff can be checked.

Homework

Last term we were very disappointed that many children did not complete their homework assignment. We are going to monitor more rigorously this term and hope that all families will encourage and support their children with daily reading, learning of spelling lists and numeracy activities

- Reception – Recognising numbers and counting,
- Year 1 – Number bonds - pairs of numbers that add up to 10
- Year 2 - Number bonds – 2 + 5 times table
- Year 3-6 Multiplication tables, number bonds of 10 and 100
- Weekly math's challenge

In addition junior classes have at least one task to complete. In year 6 we increase homework as we move through the year in preparation for their transition to Stanwell. Please check that your children are completing their work. If you are unsure of their homework please see the teachers at the end of the day or check the school website.

Mrs Regan the Lollypop Lady would like to say a big, big thank you to everyone who gave her presents, cards and good wishes this Christmas. Your kindness means so much to her and she can't thank you all enough. She wishes everyone a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Would you like to help your child with their reading? If so, why not come along to a friendly and informal session with teachers and parents where we will be handing out tea, biscuits and TOP TIPS!
Date: Tuesday 20th January *Time:* 4.00 – 5.00 p.m. or 6.00 – 7.00 p.m.
Creche available – please complete cut off slip to book a place.

T Taylor
Head Teacher

I wish to attend the 4.00-5.00 p.m. or 6.00 – 7.00 p.m. session

Please book 1 2 3 places in the crèche. * Please delete as appropriate

Child's name Class

Signed

Please hand back to the class teacher by Friday 16th January.