



Vernon Primary School

Newsletter - July 2022



Welcome!

As we come to the end of another school year, I am delighted to introduce this summer newsletter. It captures once again how busy our school has been this half term, bursting with activity both in the school day and through the enrichment clubs that run each week.

I hope that you all have a relaxing summer break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on the 5th September.

Mrs Carvell

Safeguarding

It has been a busy term for our children's safeguarding committee. On the 8th of July 2022 they took part in a safeguarding security walk around our school site. This included looking at site security such as gates and fences plus any health and safety risks for our children. The children were fantastic and took the job very seriously, in positive news they felt that school got a 10/10 safety rating.

The children have also been busy supporting me with an assembly for our key stage 1 children looking at anti bullying, being kind and our school initiative; Power for Good. This was well received by our younger children.

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Finally, the children have completed a handover with the newly elected Safeguarding Committee. They have shared pearls of wisdoms ready for action next term.

I would like to take the opportunity to say a HUGE thank you to our current committee for all the dedication and hard work they have shown this year.

In other safeguarding news our governors have carried out safeguarding pupil voice with some of our wonderful children across the school. The questions looked at how safe children felt in school and their knowledge of bullying and safety measures in place at school. The governors were overwhelmed by the knowledge embedded with our children around this topic. They were also reassured with the feedback our children gave that they do feel safe here at Vernon.

We have had a range of safeguarding visitors in this term. This included the local police who came in to speak with year 5/6 about online safety and the impact this can have on young people's lives in this current digital era. The year 6 children also had the chance to go on a visit with the "Crucial Crew" learning more about the work of the emergency services.

What a busy year it has been!

Miss K Wood

Reception

Reception had an incredible visit to Gruff Outdoors in Macclesfield. The children were brilliantly behaved, and we all really enjoyed ourselves. We met Domonique the goat and got to feed the animals.



We made Billy Goats Gruff using clay, necklaces and billy goat masks using real alpaca wool. We went on a nature walk and saw plants, flowers, birds, and lots in the hedgerows.

The children have enjoyed their transition with their new teachers, and they have visited the classrooms and had the current Year 1 pupils come and give a presentation about being in Year 1. Mrs Brammar and Mrs Wilson would like to wish them a wonderful summer and we can't wait to see them in their new classes.



Year 1

This term, Year One celebrated their learning with a beach day. We had seaside themed activities in the morning where we made fruit salad that we had planned in DT.



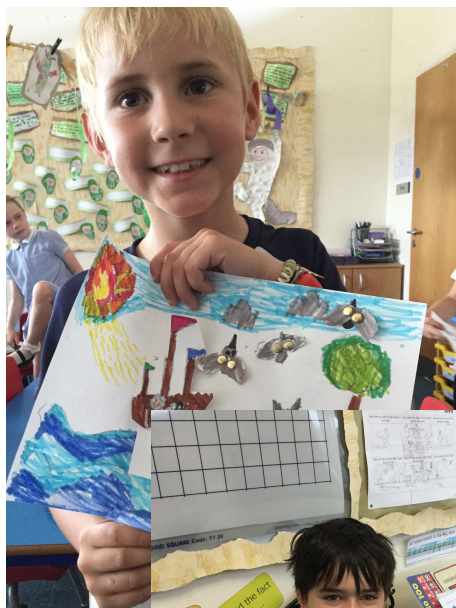
In the afternoon, we had a beach party on the field with lots of games and dancing in the sunshine. The children were bursting with pride to wear their tie-dye T shirts that they had designed and made in Art and they also got to eat their delicious fruit kebabs.



Year 2

Year 2 have had wonderfully creative half term to mark their last few weeks in Key Stage One. In DT they have designed and made moving pictures using a range of moving mechanisms. The children

can explain what levers, sliders and pivots are and they can confidently use split pins to independently create their own moving images.



The children have had a hoot creating their own non-chronological reports about Owls! They worked hard using the chrome books to research facts on specific types of owls. The children then independently

created their poster, the results were all so individual and creative. We have also been enjoying reading 'Something's Drastic' by Michael Rosen, the children have loved the nonsense poems and have had their own chance to learn and perform their favourite poem. We are so proud of how enthusiastic the children have been and their amazing hard work all year, well done Year 2!

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Year 3

What an adventurous time we had in Year 3 for Space Day! We decided to experiment with making our very own slime, marshmallow constellations and even a science experiment to discover which material will help to stop the air flow (water in our case) in a popped space suit. We attempted to explode Mentos in Coke bottles, however the explosion wasn't as successful as we had hoped. Overall we had a day that was out of this world!



Year 4

Year 4 have been creating their own water cycles! They used blue food colouring to replicate the sea and sealed this within a bag, illustrating the different stages of the water cycle, such as evaporation, condensation and precipitation. They attached their bags onto the windows to see what would happen when the sun began to heat up their water...the results were amazing, with tiny water droplets forming within the bag from the process! Amazing geography work Year 4.



Year 5

Year 5 were invited to Poynton High School as part of the transition activities on offer. They have been involved in in three exciting sessions; Escape room 'Break out of prison' which was a problem solving task in the library, design and technology creating Bee hotels using hand tools and 'Cyclone' which was a team sporting event. The children had a fantastic time and are looking forward to more transition opportunities next year.





Stockport Grammar Maths Event written by Harley Guymer and Rosa Dempsey

On Thursday 23 June, Year 5 children travelled all the way to Stockport Grammar school to compete in a challenging Maths competition. We were faced with numerous activities including individual and group relays as well as a group problem solving task.

Overall, we didn't come in a podium position, but we all enjoyed it so much.

Year 6

Year 6 have had a fantastic last term at Vernon, culminating in a brilliant end of year production 'Goodbye Vernon'. The SATs results were incredible, and the children took everything in their stride. Enterprise Day was a huge success and over £1000 was raised between the two classes. The children worked tirelessly in researching their chosen charity and budgeting to ensure maximum profit.



This half term has certainly been packed with many exciting

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opportunities to help make the end of the year 6 primary journey both enjoyable and memorable.



Sport Events

Vernon has been well represented at lots of local sporting events this half term. A returning favourite is Woodbank Park athletics. We are pleased to report a fantastic team of Y5 and 6 children achieved Silver. Well done!

Our fabulous Y5 and Y6 girls obtained silver medals



at the rounders competition.



In Tennis there have been competitions for Year 3 and 4 as well as Year 5 and 6. Well done to all the teams that took part and represented our school.

Year 5 and 6 girl's football team once again came second in the Macclesfield Football Club Community Cup tournament. Congratulations to the year 3 and 4 boys who took part in the same tournament and made it through to the semi-finals.



Exciting News!



Two of our very talented year 6 girls, Alice and Megan have been chosen to represent Cheshire in the U11 County Cricket Team. They are lucky enough to access a summer residential and lots of matches with their Cheshire teammates. We wish them the best of luck in representing the county.

Please keep the lovely stories coming in so we can share what our fabulous children have been getting up to outside of school.

email admin@vernonprimary.cheshire.sch.uk and we will share them in our next edition!

Housekeeping

Reminder that the school times are changing in September. Children should arrive to school at 08:40 to register at 08:45 and collected at 15:15.

Diary Dates

Month Year	
5 Sept	Back to school
16 Sept	PTA AGM
22 Sept	School Photos
20 Oct	PTA School Disco
21 Oct	Half term