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Term 2 Week 1 (5/1/2024)



Happy New Year from all of us at VPS. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas! It was great to see the children back in this week.

Reminder



Given that the weather has turned much colder over the past few days, please ensure that your child dresses appropriately for the colder weather and wears a coat/hat etc to school.

Look Out!

There are bugs about. It is cold and flu season. If your child is unwell, please keep them at home. If they are well enough to be in school, please keep them wrapped up. We are experiencing some staff illness at present too. Please bear with us as we try to defeat these winter bugs.



Appointments

If you wish to speak to your child's teacher regarding anything you must arrange an appointment. Staff are not available to speak to a parent at short notice – in the morning, they are preparing for the day ahead and in the afternoon they may be in meetings or training.

If you would like to arrange an appointment please call the office, Mrs Porter will liaise with your child's teacher and get back to you with the first available appointment.

School Fund Contributions

School Fund Contributions are now due for this term. Payments can be made via the School Gateway App.

Strike

We are aware of a further Teachers' Strike on Thursday 18th January. Please keep an eye out for further information as and when it is received by ourselves.

Community Issues

A number of issues have been brought to us regarding problems in the community. While we would love to be able to solve all your problems, we are only responsible for what happens at VPS. All other community issues should be raised with the Community Policing Team. If you do feel though that it is something which may impact your child's learning in school, please telephone to make an appointment with your child's teacher.



9th January – Applications open online for P1 admissions for September 2024

11th January – Library bus visit to school

19th January – Blue Class Assembly

26th January – Applications for P1 admissions for September 2024 close at 12 noon

30th January – Post Primary Applications open online

9th February - Indigo Class Assembly

12th-16th February – Half-Term Break

20th, 21st & 22nd February – Parent/Teacher Appointments – school will close at 12.45pm on these days

22nd February – Post Primary Applications close at 12 noon