



2 OCTOBER 2025



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Remember  
this

Our school calendar is live!  
 Please check it for important dates before you  
 call the school office or rely on WhatsApp!  
[VCP School Calendar](#)

**HELP!** OLD NEWSPAPERS WANTED FOR THE ART ROOM!

### Tinathon - Choir Performance

Next Friday 10 October our junior and senior choirs will be performing at the Tinathon collection point which is at West Centre at 11:00-11:30am. Parents are welcome to come and watch and enjoy the show!

### PTA Second Hand Uniform Shop

OPEN 11.30am-12.30pm this Saturday. We are in the shed at the top of the stairs that lead up from the main entrance to VCP - see you there!

### The Beehive

There are NO spaces available on Tuesday or Thursday for the Autumn Term.

**REMINDER** PE AND GAMES

On PE days, boys should be wearing their Polo shirts.  
 On Games days, they should be in their bumble bee tops.

Please ensure that the black and yellow kit is visible, and house colours should not be worn on these days. We kindly ask that this is checked and sorted before the boys come into school.

Additionally, when attending after-school clubs run by the school - such as Hockey, Fun Football, Squad Training, etc. pupils should be wearing their bumble bee tops and not their own football kits. While external clubs like Brazilian Soccer School and Jersey Bulls may have their own expectations, the school's expectation is that pupils wear their school kit when participating in school-run activities.

Mark  
your  
Calendar

VCP CROSS COUNTY  
 MONDAY 6 OCTOBER  
 THIS WHOLE SCHOOL HOUSE  
 EVENT WILL START AT  
 APPROX. 1.15PM AT  
 LONGBEACH.  
 SPECTATORS WELCOME!

PARENT/TEACHER  
 CONSULTATIONS  
 20, 21 & 22 OCTOBER 2025  
 BOOKINGS OPEN THURSDAY  
 9 OCTOBER AT 7.00PM  
 DETAILS TO FOLLOW

CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICE  
 SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER  
 9:15 - 10:15AM  
 METHODIST CENTRE



TEAM  
PTA



**BINGO!!!**



**Join VCP PTA for spooooooky  
Halloween Bingo!**

**Venue:** College Bistro

**Date:** Wednesday 15 October

**Time:** Eyes down at 18:00

**Cost:** £10.00 per book and don't forget £1  
for the pound pot!

Prizes for lines and full house!



Pay on the day or via the RaceNation link  
<https://race-nation.co.uk/register/vcp-jcp>

For more information , or to help out with any of our events  
please email [vcpppta@gmail.com](mailto:vcpppta@gmail.com)



Autumn  
**HARVEST  
FESTIVAL**

THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

CHICKEN & PUMPKIN RISOTTO

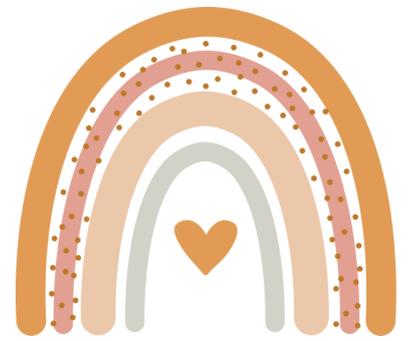
*Served with peas, sweetcorn  
and Parmesan roll*

TOFFEE APPLE TRAYBAKE

*\*Veggie option: Pumpkin  
& Sweet Potato Risotto*



# Global Citizenship at VCP



## Becoming Global Citizens

At VCP, we want our students to grow as responsible global citizens – young people who connect with diverse cultures, think deeply about local and global issues, and take positive action to make a difference in the world.

Throughout the year, the children will be exploring how they can make a positive impact both here in Jersey and beyond.

We'll also be inviting parents to join us in supporting important community initiatives.

## Tinathon 2025

All year groups are invited to take part in the Tinathon in aid of Jersey Shelter Trust. Please bring in any spare tins of food and deposit them in the green crates in the hall.

The last day for collection is Friday 10 October, when all donations will be taken to the event at West Centre.

Your contributions will help support vulnerable people in our community.

## Sports Kit Recycling Initiative

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO PARTNER WITH ACORN AND JERSEY SPORT TO LAUNCH A BRAND-NEW RECYCLING PROJECT.

THE AIM IS TO MAKE SPORT MORE ACCESSIBLE IN JERSEY BY COLLECTING AND REDISTRIBUTING GOOD-QUALITY, PRE-LOVED SPORTS KIT.

TOGETHER, WE CAN BREAK DOWN FINANCIAL BARRIERS THAT SOMETIMES PREVENT CHILDREN AND ADULTS FROM ENJOYING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.

WE'RE COLLECTING:

SPORTS CLOTHING (ALL AGES AND SIZES)

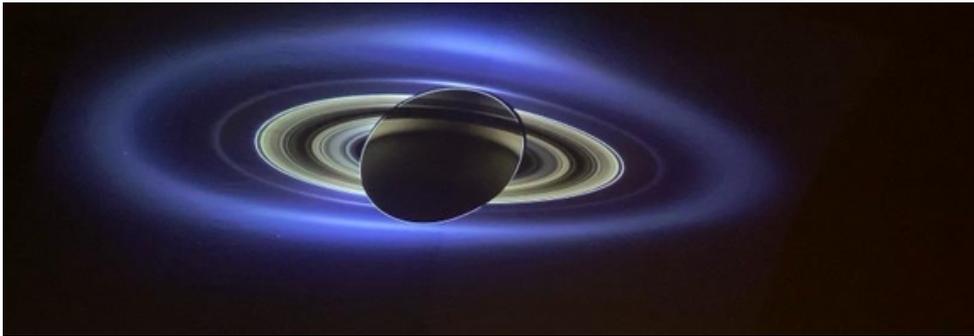
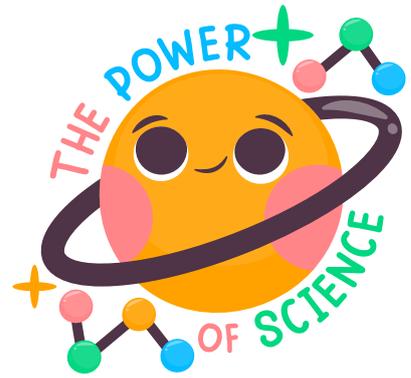
TRAINERS

FOOTBALL AND RUGBY BOOTS

OTHER ESSENTIAL KIT

PLEASE BRING ANY DONATIONS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND PLACE THEM IN THE BLACK AND YELLOW BOX. THIS INITIATIVE WILL BE RUNNING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

By working together we can make a real difference locally and globally.



### YEAR 3

We will continue to look at how fossils are formed and show our learning in the form of a dinosaur cartoon strip.

### YEAR 4

The boys will continue their learning on the digestive system using the information gained in their exciting Explorer Dome experience.

### YEAR 5

Having planned their investigation last week, the pupils will carry out their investigation into friction, testing which surface would be best to prevent people from slipping.

### YEAR 6

Will consider the effects of exercise on heart rate and plan their own investigation into this.

SEAPERCH CLUB (SELECTED YEAR 6 BOYS) WILL STILL RUN AFTER SCHOOL ON MONDAY.  
PLEASE ARRANGE FOR YOUR SON TO RETURN TO SCHOOL AFTER THE CROSS COUNTRY  
OR LET MRS PATEMAN KNOW IF HE WILL NOT BE ATTENDING.

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# YEAR 3

## The week ahead



Next week is full of exciting opportunities and new learning for our Year 3 boys. One of the highlights will be their very first VCP House Cross Country competition at Longbeach. It promises to be a fun and energetic event where the boys can show off their determination, teamwork, and school spirit in the great outdoors.

In RE, we'll be wrapping up our Judaism unit by exploring the big enquiry question: "How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jews most?" The boys will be using all their knowledge from the past few weeks to reflect and share their thoughts. Following this, we'll begin a new unit on Christianity, diving into the creation story and thinking about what it teaches us about beginnings and beliefs.

In English, the boys will continue their learning journey with the book Tuesday, using it to explore themes and conventions of this imaginative and mysterious story. It's a great opportunity to spark creativity and deepen their understanding of storytelling.

In maths, we'll be focusing on adding and subtracting 1s and 10s across 10 and 100, helping the boys build confidence with number patterns and place value.

To round off the week, those boys who are part of our choir will be heading into town on Friday to sing at the Tinathon. It's a wonderful chance to share their voices and be part of a joyful community event.

We're looking forward to a fantastic week ahead!

### What's new?

How did it feel to share your story with the Year 2 boys at JCP? What did you do to make sure you spoke clearly and confidently?

What did you discover about forces during the Explorer Dome visit, and can you think of any examples of forces you use or see in everyday life?

### What's next?

Why do you think festivals and family life are so important in different religions, like Judaism? Can you think of any special traditions in our own family that show what matters to us?

What do you think makes a story mysterious or exciting, like the book Tuesday? If you could write your own story with strange or magical events, what would happen in it?

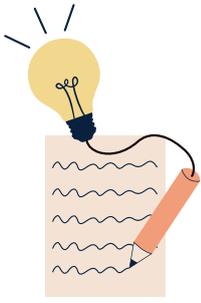


The boys now have their Seesaw logins recorded in their homework diaries.

They will have another go this week at uploading Proud Work. We encourage you to take a moment to look at their work together and celebrate their achievements.

## Reminder!

Thursday 9 October – 3B swimming starts. Please ensure they come to school wearing swim shorts under their games kit and tracksuits. Bring underwear, towel, cap, goggles in their swim bags.



# YEAR 4

## The week ahead



This week, Year 4 have been putting their place value knowledge to the test by rounding four-digit numbers to the nearest 10, 100, and 1,000. This important skill will support them as they move into their next maths unit on addition and subtraction.

In English, the boys have been stepping into the shoes of reporters as they drafted and edited their own newspaper articles. Their reports capture the dramatic events of Leon's visit to the Big Top, where he was chosen by the mysterious magician Abdul Khazam. The boys have been working hard to include expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials, and reported speech in their writing. They are now in the exciting stage of publishing their finished articles, ready to share their news with the world!

On Thursday, Year 4 embarked on a fascinating, hands-on journey through the human body. They discovered what really happens to the food we eat, from the very first bite to the amazing processes that fuel our bodies. The session was bursting with interactive experiments, lively demonstrations, and plenty of fun along the way!

## Reminder!

Year 4 are still heading to Creepy Valley Adventure Centre this Friday (tomorrow!) for an exciting day of outdoor and adventurous activities. Please ensure the boys are fully prepared for the day: they must wear their full tracksuit and bring a waterproof coat.

With showers in the forecast, it's important that everyone is ready for whatever the weather brings!

### VALLEY ADVENTURE KIT LIST

- All belongings in house-coloured swim bag
- PE kit (come wearing full tracksuit)
- Healthy packed lunch
- Large water bottle
- 2 x snacks
- Raincoat (MUST HAVE)





# YEAR 5

## The week ahead



Next week, the boys will begin their new English topic - The Majestic Plastic Bag. This will involve the boys listening to some mockumentary style videos, learning about the different types of writing that have been included and then, in turn, writing their own. This is a great topic for learning about the impact of pollution around the world. The boys will continue to read Llama Out Loud and explore different reading skills within those lessons.

In maths, the boys will continue building their skills of addition and subtraction. They have looked at how to mentally add and subtract as well as using written methods and we will be moving on to using rounding and the inverse operation to check our work. We are encouraging the boys to use the most efficient methods within their work depending on which number they have chosen.

All classes will also be taking part in 3 Art lessons with a published illustrator (Nanette Regan) between now and Christmas. They boys will be creating a comic book style piece of work based on a book that we will be exploring in a future English Topic. This work will be published in the Town Art Gallery early next year. We will let you know the dates when we have them.

### What's new?

What did you learn at the Life Expo event? What was the most fascinating part?

What happened in your English story? How was your problem overcome?

### What's next?

What happens when we litter? What might the effect be?

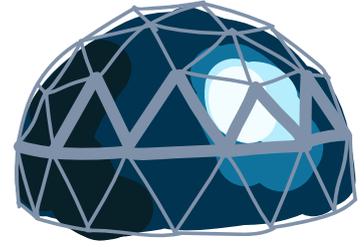
What happened to Levi and Yasmin in your story this week?

Y5&6 FOOTBALL TRAINING CANCELLED ON MONDAY 6 OCTOBER

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# YEAR 6



## The week ahead

This week, we have drafted and started to write our 'missing part of the story' independent piece. This allowed the boys to use their imaginations whilst also ensuring they used our writing features such as semi-colons, colons and speech!

In Maths, we have been working our way through Unit 3—a continuation of the four operations—focussing on long multiplication this week. The boys had a mysterious puzzle to solve in their journals to see if numbers followed patterns depending on what they were multiplied by.

We also thoroughly enjoyed our Science dome experience this week. This was based on the topic 'light' and learning what light is and how it is created!

Well done to all the boys who took part in the cross country running on Wednesday too, a super accomplishment!

Christmas Card artwork is coming home this week, please fill out the sticker on the back of the artwork with your child's name. Please use the unique ordering code to order cards if you wish. Please return the artwork to school before the 13 October. Un-returned artwork will not be printed.

Next week, the boys will begin to edit their writing pieces in English and create their finished products. In Maths, they will focus on long division both with and without a remainder.

### What's new?

What writing features did you learn about this week and how did you encompass these into your writing pieces?

Can you explain why there is a '0' in our tens answer box for long multiplication?

### What's next?

What rules might we build on in Maths, linked to our four operations?

What might you include in your writing piece about the missing part of the story?

# Reminder!

- Wednesday 10 October -- Football Tour
- Monday 20 October - House Football at Heathfield

Y5&6 FOOTBALL TRAINING CANCELLED ON MONDAY 6 OCTOBER

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# JOIN THE Y6 VCP BAND!!

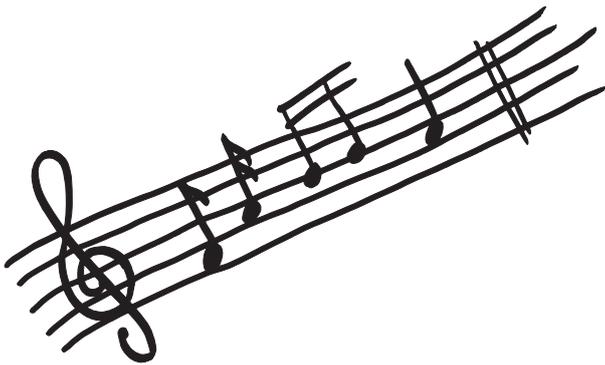


Dear Parents,

We have an exciting new venture starting in Year 6 in which we are going to start our very own VCP Band! This will consist of a guitarist, singer, drummer, keyboardist and bass guitarist, and we will rehearse weekly at lunchtime and perform in various events throughout the year. The students will be chosen based on an audition. Because we have so many boys interested, I think the easiest way is to follow our House Music protocol and submit a video on SeeSaw. I will assign a task to all year 6 boys and they can then respond with a video that they make at home. This should be a maximum of 1 minute and can show them playing/singing along to a song of their choice. I will set the deadline as Friday 3 October, with the hopes of choosing the band, choosing our first song and giving them practice time at home before starting together properly after half term. The boys are welcome to submit 2 videos if they would like to audition for more than one instrument.

With many thanks in advance,

Miss Lezala



Submit your video on Seesaw  
by Friday 3 October

