



16 OCTOBER 2025



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DUE TO PARENT CONSULTATIONS THE FOLLOWING ARE CANCELLED

- Y3/4 KARAOKE CLUB LUNCHTIME - MONDAY 20 OCTOBER
- Y6 SEWING CLUB AFTER SCHOOL - MONDAY 20 OCTOBER
- ALL YEARS - ORCHESTRA - AFTER SCHOOL - TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER
- Y5 HOCKEY CLUB- AFTER SCHOOL - WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER

FAMILY HUB

ARE YOU FEELING THAT NO-ONE IS LISTENING? DO NEED SOME SUPPORT?
 KEEP AN EYE ON OUR WEBSITE - IT'S REGULARLY UPDATED WITH USEFUL
 INFORMATION AND ADVICE. LINK HERE: [FAMILY HUB](#)

NEW BEYBLADE CLUB WITH CLAUDIO LAZZARIN ~ MAX 10 PUPILS

WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS
Y5: 12PM	Y6: 12PM
Y4: 12:30PM	Y3: 12:30PM

SIGN UP IS REQUIRED ON SOCS AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 7PM THIS
 EVENING: [SOCS SIGN UP](#) ~ BOYS ARE ALLOWED TO BRING IN 'BEYBLADE
 STADIUM' ONLY ON THEIR ALLOCATED DAY AND IT MUST BE PUT IN THE HALL
 IN THE MORNINGS.

TTRS - HOUSE EVENT!

TIMETABLES ROCK STARS COMPETITION TOMORROW! SEE POSTER FOR MORE DETAILS!



LAST DAY OF THIS HALF TERM: FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER
 SCHOOL CLOSED 27-31 OCTOBER

*Mark
 your
 Calendar*

PARENT/TEACHER
 CONSULTATIONS

20,21 & 22 OCTOBER 2025
 PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN
 THE PLAYGROUND



HOUSE FOOTBALL NEXT WEEK!

SPECTATORS WELCOME!

1PM HEATHFIELD

Y3: THURSDAY
 Y4: TUESDAY
 Y5: WEDNESDAY
 Y6: MONDAY

**ALL BOYS WILL RETURN TO
 SCHOOL AFTER THE EVENT-
 PARENTS CANNOT COLLECT
 FROM HEATHFIELD**



CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICE

SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER
 9:15 - 10:15AM
 METHODIST CENTRE





SPY DOGS, SPY CATS AND SPY PUP SERIES

FROM MR DELAHUNTY - ACTING ENGLISH SUBJECT LEAD



Dear all

I have had a couple of requests about sending out information regarding the recent new articles regarding the children's publisher Puffin alert about books by Andy Cope including those in the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pups series.

The books include a link to additional content, but the link is no longer owned by Mr Cope. The new owner publishes pornographic content. This means that children visiting the link are seeing highly inappropriate webpages. There is no suggestion that either Mr Cope or Puffin are responsible for the third-party site.

As a result, libraries, bookshops, retailers, and schools have been advised to remove the books from their shelves until such time as there is a resolution. The story of course is fine to read, it is only the additional online content that is affected.

In terms of advising parents, the comms team have advised that it is probably best as part of a newsletter – it's helpful information for parents but it's probably not proportionate for a standalone email.

I found this online about how to inform parents – it might be helpful for wording...

Safeguarding Information Sharing: Children's "Spy" Books

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pups series.

Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content.

The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

What this means for you:

- If your child has any Spy Dog, Spy Cat or Spy Pups books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site.
- It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves – the concern is only with the outdated link.
- We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.

Many thanks

Dani Perrier -Designated Safeguarding Officer (Education Dept. Gofj)

TIMES TABLES
ROCK STARS



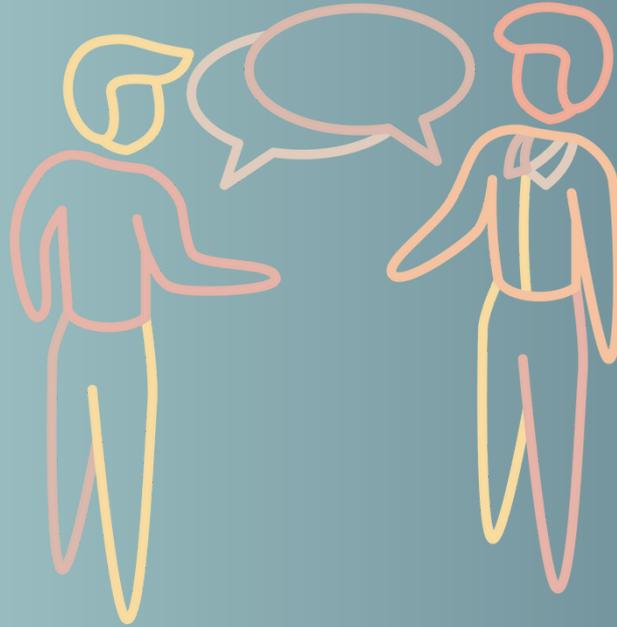
FEATURING

Braithwaite, Bruce, Diarmid, Dunlop, Sartorius

08:45 17 October 2025 - 15:00 17 October 2025

*** ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE *
PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE * THE WINNING CLASS
WILL HAVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT
ANSWERS PER PUPIL * ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR
FULL DETAILS AND RULES ***

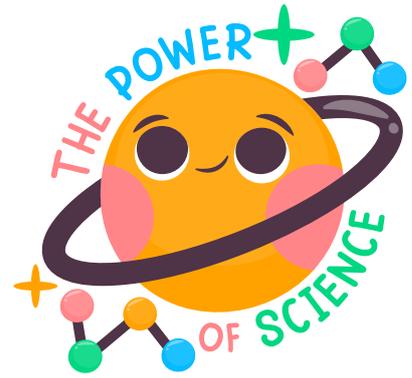
Oracy October 2025



This month marks Oracy October, and we are encouraging the boys to put their speaking and communication skills into practice through a series of challenges. Your son has been assigned four oracy challenges to complete throughout the month of October, which are available on SeeSaw.

We would be delighted to see photos or videos of your son completing these activities, so please ensure these are included when the work is submitted.

Thank you for your continued support in helping the boys develop their confidence and communication skills.



YEAR 3

Year 3 will begin their work on plants by looking at seed dispersal, as autumn is the best time of year for this. If you go out for a walk this weekend, please look out for different seeds that are falling and think about how they are dispersed.

YEAR 4

Year 4 will gather the observations from their 'Teeth' investigation, looking at how different drinks have affected the teeth.

YEAR 5

Year 5 will carry out their investigation into air resistance by measuring how long it takes different sizes of parachutes to fall. They will be practising their measuring and recording skills.

YEAR 6

Year 6 will be visited by a nurse who will be demonstrating how to carry out CPR to conclude our work on the heart and circulatory system.





YEAR 3



The week ahead

EXCITING NEWS! For the very first time at VCP, Year 3 will be performing a Christmas Nativity! Auditions will take place during their Drama lesson next Monday afternoon. (Please note, they don't need to prepare anything in advance for this). We can't wait to see the boys bring the story to life on stage!

In English, the boys will continue with our 'Tuesday' learning journey, focusing next week on the features of newspaper articles. It would be wonderful if you could take a look at some newspapers together over the weekend. Please discuss elements such as headlines, pictures, captions, quotes, and introductory paragraphs, and how each feature helps to engage the reader.

On Tuesday afternoon, there will be an important assembly where the boys will learn how to make an emergency call to the emergency services - an essential life skill for everyone.

Then, on Thursday afternoon, it's time for House Football! This will be the boys' second house event, and their competitive spirit is already shining through. It's sure to be an exciting match - which House will claim victory? Parents are warmly invited to come and watch from 1pm at Heathfield.

What's new?

Did you learn any new vocabulary in PSHE this week when naming parts of the body?

What does 'exchange' mean in maths? Can you think of an example question where you would have to exchange a ten?

What's next?

How will you show good physical oracy when auditioning for the Christmas Nativity?

Can you show me some of the features of a newspaper article - like a headline or caption and tell me why they're important?

Reminder!

SCAN THIS CODE FOR
MATHS GAME TO PRACTICE AT HOME



HOUSE FOOTBALL 1-2:30PM THURSDAY 23 OCTOBER
WE WOULD LOVE AS MANY OF YOU AS POSSIBLE TO COME
AND WATCH AND CHEER THE BOYS ON!

YEAR 3 CHRISTMAS NATIVITY 16 DECEMBER 11.15AM.
PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE PLAYGROUND.





YEAR 3

NATIVITY PLAY



TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER 11:15AM

We are excited to announce that this Christmas, our Year 3 students will be performing a Nativity Play!

Please save the date for the morning of the 16 December from 11:15am to 11:45am for this special event.

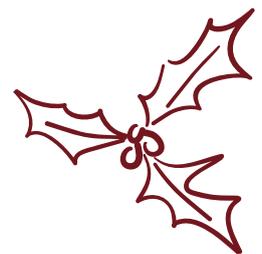
Auditions for the play will be held this coming Monday, and we encourage all Year 3 children to participate. There are non-speaking roles for those who would prefer that. It promises to be a wonderful opportunity for the children to showcase their talents and get into the festive spirit.

Please kindly note that parents will be asked to provide costumes for their child.

Further details about the costumes and the play will be shared after auditions.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to a joyful celebration together.

PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND





YEAR 4

The week ahead



This week, the boys in Year 4 have been completing their first R.E. unit, exploring the question: “What do Hindus believe God is like?” They have been using everything they have learnt about Brahman, the Hindu belief in one supreme being, and Atman, the idea that a part of Brahman lives within every living thing. The boys have also explored the different Hindu deities and discussed why Hindus pray to them, using this knowledge to help them answer the big question for the unit. They then reflected on everything they had learnt and made links to their own beliefs, whether religious or not.

In Maths this week, the boys have been building their confidence in using efficient written methods for addition and subtraction. They have been applying the column method to solve increasingly challenging problems that often involve more than one exchange. The boys have shown great focus and perseverance when tackling tricky questions such as $9071 - 6372 = \underline{\quad}$, carefully working through each step to find the correct answer. It has been fantastic to see their growing accuracy and understanding of how and why these methods work.

In English, the boys have completed their Learning Journey based on Leon and the Place Between and have finished writing their newspaper reports. This week, they have used their English skills to support their R.E. learning and have been focusing on using conjunctions in their SPaG lessons. We look forward to you reading their final newspaper reports during parent consultations.

What's new?

What new things did you learn about what Hindus believe God is like?

What new skills have you learnt when using column addition or subtraction in Maths?

What's next?

How could you use conjunctions to make your writing even more detailed and interesting next time?

Are there any other religions you would like to find out about?

Reminder!

TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER
HOUSE FOOTBALL 1.00 - 2:30PM
AT HEATHFIELD - SPECTATORS WELCOME!





YEAR 5



The week ahead

Next week in English, adventure awaits!

The boys will dive deeper into the magical world of the Majestic Plastic Bag. They will begin to plan their 'rubbish' journey as it makes its way from human hands, through Jersey and into the sea - dodging many of the dangerous litter picking devices on its way. They will be aiming to use commas, brackets, dashes and hyphens to create some formal, factual and entertaining mockumentary scripts.

Next week in Maths: multiplication and division!

Year 5 will continue working through their multiplication and division topic. It is vitally important that boys are regularly practising their times tables and apply their knowledge to bigger values. TTRS, Power Maths and www.timestables.com can be great for regular practise.

In Computing, the boys will be concluding their Scratch topic with a Battle of The Bands! They will be coding their own animations, music and events in order to create the best music - they will then go head-to-head to find the greatest Scratch Musician of all time! The boys may want to practise at home before competing next week.

What's new?

What are the persuasive reasons for stopping pollution that you know?

Who could you write to if you wanted a change to be made in Jersey?

What's next?

If you know that $8 \times 6 = 46$, then what else do you know?

What type of instruments are you going to include in your song? What about the tempo? Or the pitch? Or the rhythm?

Reminder!

WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER
HOUSE FOOTBALL 1.00 - 2:30PM
AT HEATHFIELD - SPECTATORS WELCOME!





YEAR 6

The week ahead



This week, we have started our new learning journey in English, based on the book 'Hidden Figures'. The boys have found our class discussions about this time (and the people involved) very interesting whilst comparing this to modern day.

In Maths, we have finished Unit 3 and are now starting the next section of work based on fractions. We have also enjoyed creating graphs in our Computing lessons on our iPads and using our Oracy sentence stems with our new 'Talk Tuesday'.

Next week, the boys will begin to look at the common denominator rules in Maths, learning key vocabulary such as lowest common multiple. In English we shall be focussing on the active and passive voice.

We also have House Football on Monday afternoon, which the boys are very much looking forward to!

What's new?

What are the names for the numbers above and below a fraction line?

Can you explain some key vocabulary from our new English book?

What's next?

What do you think 'common denominator' means?

What does the active and passive voice mean?

Reminder!

MONDAY 20 OCTOBER
HOUSE FOOTBALL 1.00 - 2.30PM
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