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**Year 5 Bowden and Fothergill Classes
Newsletter: 7th January 2020**

Welcome back! We hope you had a fantastic holiday and are ready for our next exciting topic.



**Humanities and STEM**

This term, we will be exploring the Anglo-Saxons and Viking period in our History, including their arrivals/invasions of England and what life was like during this time. Our STEM will be based on Animals including Humans and Living things and their environment.

**Mini Police @ Victoria Primary**

We have been selected to take part in Mini Police with Nottingham Police. They will be working with a group of Year 5 students to explore different aspects of policing, including safety both online and in the community.

**Children will need to tell Mr Dalby or Mrs Webb if they would like to take part.**

**Campfire**

Wednesday 12th February – Event for families, come and join our Anglo-Saxon evening of storytelling and drama. More details to follow!

**Uniform and PE Kit**

Please ensure your child comes to school in the Victoria School uniform. This includes **completely black** shoes. They should bring their correct PE kit to school on a **Monday** and leave it here until **Friday** as sometimes the timetable can change and this may affect PE days.

Everything should be clearly labelled, including **coats** and **lunchboxes**.

**Homework and Reading**

There is an expectation in Year 5 that **all** children have their reading diary and reading book in school **every day**. They will be given a suitable text from school but they should also be selecting their own books to read from home or in the classroom.

**Your child will receive their own homework booklet to complete each week.**

**Junk modelling**

Children, please start collecting the following items for our classwork: shoe boxes; clean, empty plastic bottles; other boxes; card; etc.

**Trips**

A big thank you to all of the parents that have helped on trips so far this year - without volunteers, we would find it difficult to organise these experiences for your children.

As you are aware, we have a very exciting residential trip planned for Summer Term. If you need another letter about this, please come and see the office staff. We will also be going on other trips throughout the year to support our learning, which we see as invaluable to your child’s education here at Victoria. If you have any questions or concerns please come and speak to one of us.

Thank you for your continued support.

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**Diary Dates: New Year 2020**

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| **Date** | **Year Group** | **Time** | **Event** |
| Wednesday 15th January  | Year 5 | p.m. | Mini Police |
| Thursday 16th January  | Year 4 | All day | Visit to Nottingham University  |
| Wednesday 22nd January | Reception | 9.00 am – 10.00 am | Supporting your child’s reading  |
| Years 3 - 6 | p.m. | Road Safety Quiz Competition |
| Tuesday 28th January | Year 1 | day | Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park |
| Thursday 30th January | Year 5 | p.m. | Sports for girls event |
| Friday 7th February | Reception Boot | 8.55 am – 10.00 am | Family Stay and Play |
| Tuesday 11th February | All | day | National Safer Internet Day |
| Wednesday 12th February | Year 5 | p.m. | Beowulf Campfire for Families |
| Thursday 13th February | Year 1 | p.m. | Zoo expo for Year 1 parents |
| Friday 14th February | Nursery | 8.55 am | Valentine’s Day Family Story & Breakfast |
| Reception Bell | 8.55 am – 10.00 am | Family Stay and Play |
| Years 3 – 6 Select Team  | p.m. | Nottingham High Junior School Cross Country Races |
| All | 3.15 pm | School Closes for half term break |
| Monday 24th February | All | 8.45 | School re-opens |
| Tuesday 3rd March | Year 4 | All day | Trip to Wollaton Hall (The Romans)  |
| Thursday 5th March | All | day | World Book Day |
| Friday 6th March | Year 5 | day | Art and Architecture visit to St Peter’s Church |
| Thursday 12th March | All | day | Sports Relief Charity Day |
| Thursday 19th andFriday 20th March | All | p.m. | Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea |