



Upcoming Events

Thu 30 Sept	Individual pupil photos
Fri 1 Oct	Sibling photos
Wed 6 Oct	Parent teacher consultations (1:30pm to 5:00pm)
Thu 7 Oct	School Census Day - Office Closed (AM)
Thu 7 Oct	Parent teacher consultations (4:00pm to 7:00pm)

Don't Forget...

NO DOGS ALLOWED ONSITE



- **Individual and sibling photos will be taken on Thursday 30th September and Friday 1st October**
- **School will close earlier on Wednesday 6th October to allow for Parent Teacher Consultations**
- **Parent Teacher Consultations will take place on Wednesday 6th October and Thursday 7th October**

Parent Teacher Consultations

This year's parent teacher consultations will be focusing on pupil's learning behaviours and will be conducted via Zoom. Teachers will be providing parents with a 21st Century skills report on their child which can be discussed during the consultation.

Parents will be able to **book appointments from 10.30 am on Monday morning until Tuesday 5th October via Ping**. A notification will be sent out via Ping prior to this which will outline instructions. Some parents will be contacted today with pre allocated time slots.

I want to give parents advance warning that **the school day will end earlier on Wednesday 6th October** to allow Parent Teacher Consultations appointments to start at 1.30 pm. Information regarding dismissal arrangements on Wednesday the 6th October will be sent out to parents on Monday 27th September.

As part of our ongoing school improvement, the Core Leadership Team have been reviewing the way we undertake assessment and the providers we use. Following these discussions, we have opted to use a different assessment package for this academic year. This means that you will not receive GL Assessment reports this month or in March like in previous years.

Instead, we will have termly assessments, carried out in November, March and June for Year 1 to Year 6. The assessments will cover spelling, punctuation and grammar, maths and reading comprehension. Following these assessments, a report will be sent to you with a summary of the three areas mentioned; they are similar in content to the previous ones shared last academic year. Year 1 and 2 will carry out their assessments on paper and these can be marked in-house, meaning results can be shared with you more quickly than before. Years 3-6 will complete these on laptops, much like last year. The timings of these assessments mean that a greater amount of curriculum content will have been taught, resulting in a more accurate understanding of areas of strength and development for your child. The package we are now using has also undergone national standardisation in 2021, meaning we are able to understand how our children are performing nationally post-COVID.

While these reports will be shared three times a year, assessment is an ongoing process within school. Teachers have been and continue to assess within lessons to ascertain where each child is working at and what next steps are needed. We look forward to being able to share these reports with you in November and discussing how your child has settled into school at our upcoming Parent-Teacher consultations in early October.

Thanks for your continued support.
Richard Rosewell

COVID Response Guidance

Please read below the procedures that we are required to take in relation to COVID cases in the school. To remain as safe and healthy as we possibly can, we would like to remind you of some of the things we can do as a school community.

- We would be grateful if **children and parents could regularly test themselves** with lateral flow tests. All **staff members are testing themselves twice a week**.
- Please make sure that **your child has everything they need so that you don't have to come into school to deliver things** once you have left the site.

In terms of tracing close contacts of COVID cases and the need to self-isolate the government guidance (confirmed by the borough) is as follows:

- *Settings only needed to do contact tracing up to and including 18 July.*
- **Close contacts will now be identified via NHS Test and Trace** and education settings will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing.
- *As with positive cases in any other setting, NHS Test and Trace will work with the positive case and/or their parent/carer to identify close contacts.*
- *Contacts from a school setting will only be traced by NHS Test and Trace where the positive case and/or their parent specifically identifies the individual as being a close contact. This is likely to be a small number of individuals who would be most at risk of contracting COVID-19 due to the nature of the close contact.*
- *You may be contacted in exceptional cases to help with identifying close contacts, as currently happens in managing other infectious diseases.*
- *Individuals are not required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:*
 - *they are fully vaccinated*
 - *they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months*
 - *they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial*
 - *they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons*

*Instead, they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a [PCR test](#). We **would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so**.*

Staff who do not need to isolate, and children and young people aged under 18 years 6 months who usually attend school, and have been identified as a close contact, should continue to attend school as normal. They do not need to wear a face covering within the school, but it is expected and recommended that these are worn when travelling on public or dedicated transport.

As before, please make sure that you take your child for a **PCR test (not a lateral flow test)** if:
There is a recent onset of any of the following:

- *a new continuous cough*
- *a high temperature*
- *a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)*

As you can appreciate, we have to follow the guidance that we are given as a school.

In the event of a rise in cases we also have a contingency framework which we will follow to keep everyone safe.

Thank you for your continued support.

Updates and Notices

Miss Jobbins is running The London Marathon!

Miss Jobbins will be running the 2021 London Marathon on the 3rd of October for the Princess Alice Hospice. It is a charity very close to her heart, having lost her mum to cancer three years ago. The charity supported her and her family throughout the whole time and made sure her mum was comfortable, safe and happy in her final months.

The Princess Alice Hospice is an outstanding charity, who dedicate their lives to support terminally ill patients and their families, with love, support and care.

If you would like to donate, please follow the link here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Claire-Jobbins21>

Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you all so much!

Congestion on the driveway

It is so lovely to see so many children enjoying our wide range of extra-curricular activities before and after school! However with so many families on site, it can cause a bit of congestion on the driveway as staff are trying to enter or leave school. **Please make sure you use the pavements where possible along the driveway and step to the side with your child to allow cars to pass.**

Thank you.

Please can parents ensure that **their children's belongings are labelled with their full name and class. This makes it easier to return any items handed in. Anything not labelled and unclaimed is donated to the PTA.**

Illness and absence

We would like to remind parents of our policy regarding absences.

If your child is absent for any reason, you **must inform the school office via absence@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk by 8:30am**

If your child has **any of the three main symptoms of COVID** (cough, temperature, loss of taste/smell), they **must stay off school and have a PCR test done (not a lateral flow)**. As soon as you receive them, you must **forward the results onto absence@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk**. If negative, the child may return to school when well enough. If positive, the child must isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms. Siblings of COVID positive pupils may come to school if they do not have any symptoms, although we strongly recommend they are regularly tested with lateral flow tests while their sibling is unwell.

If your child has a bout of **vomiting or diarrhoea**, they **must not come into school for 48 hours** from the last bout.

If your child has a **medical appointment during school hours**, please **inform the school office via absence@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk and include proof of appointment** e.g. hospital letter, appointment confirmation email/text from the GP

More information can be found on our website here:

<https://www.vineyard.richmond.sch.uk/current-parents/absence-and-attendance>

Updates and Notices

Letter from Radish

As with several other companies around the country, our catering company Radish has been affected by supply issues. A message was sent out on Ping this week by Mr Rosewell with and update from Radish that they provided to the school. To see the full message please login to your Ping account.

"What is Radish doing to mitigate supplier shortages or delivery failures?"

- **Preparing** – We will be bulk buying our dry store and freezer stock and monitoring it regularly.
- **Organising** – We are ordering goods with a 3 -4-day lead time to ensure we have time to get the items redelivered or sourced with an alternative supplier.
- **Back up Planning** – Our Onsite catering teams will ensure at all times there is stock available to make an emergency lunch in case we have a complete delivery failure, this will ensure that we are still able to provide your child(ren) with a hot nutritious meal. Please note: The emergency lunch will cater to all pupils including those with special dietary requirements.
 - **Communicating** – Our teams have been constantly communicating to ensure we have the best plans and options available to our Catering Managers."

Year 6 secondary school application deadline

Year 6 parents, please be reminded that the deadline for applications to be submitted for secondary school application is **Sunday 31st October 2021**. Applications are submitted through Richmond Borough's website which can be found here:

<https://www.richmond.gov.uk/secondary-school-admissions>

When emailing the school, please provide your child's full name and class so that the email can be passed on to the relevant member of staff.

We kindly ask that parents ensure children have everything they need for the school day before leaving home.

Recycling at The Vineyard

The Vineyard School PTA is very excited to launch a new recycling initiative by Astra Recycling and welcome a shiny new recycling box at our school! The textile/clothes collection box is situated on the driveway right next to the PTA beach hut.

Parents, staff, and children **can donate unwanted clothes, shoes, bed linen and soft toys** and the bank is emptied once a fortnight.

The **textiles that can be reused are sent to poorer communities** across Eastern Europe, and the garments that cannot be sent are converted into insulation materials and industrial cleaning wipes, so **nothing ends up in landfill**.

Please follow the guidelines on the box and **do not donate soiled, wet, unwashed, contaminated with oil, paint or damaged textiles**.

VINEYARD UNIFORM ITEMS (including old PE kits) - DO NOT PUT THIS INTO THE RECYCLING BIN, PLEASE CONTINUE LEAVING THESE IN THE HUT OR OUTSIDE THE PTA ROOM

For further info see <https://www.astrarecycling.co.uk/>

We do hope this will be a successful new project at school that can help the environment and also raise some money for us. Any questions email pta@vineyardpta.org.

3Play at Gunnersbury

Please see below the details of a brand-new session at Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub called, 3Play.

3Play is designed to allow children the opportunity to experience games that will challenge and encourage problem solving and decision making. The 3Play environment will encourage and allow players to express themselves, developing their creativity and imagination in possession. They will experience mixing with children both older and younger than themselves, which enhance their social skills and provide a physical challenge in a safe environment.

- Thursdays 5:30-7pm
- For School Years 3 to 6
- At Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub (session located inside the sports hub)

FIRST TWO SESSIONS FREE!

Further information can be found on the booking page below.

Booking

Page: <https://www.brentfordfcst.com/event/autumn-3play/>

The Vineyard offers your child the opportunity to take part in extra curricular sport. Visit the school website for an up to date list <https://www.vineyard.richmond.sch.uk/current-parents/clubs>

Before taking your child to a club, we kindly ask that parents familiarise themselves with **where their child needs to be taken to and collected from and at what times.** The full schedule of clubs is on our website here:

<https://www.vineyard.richmond.sch.uk/current-parents/clubs>

Please see the PDF **Booking Links Vineyard Extra Curricular Sep – Oct** for information on timings and collection.



Get the latest updates and photos by following the school on twitter! **@Vineyard_School**

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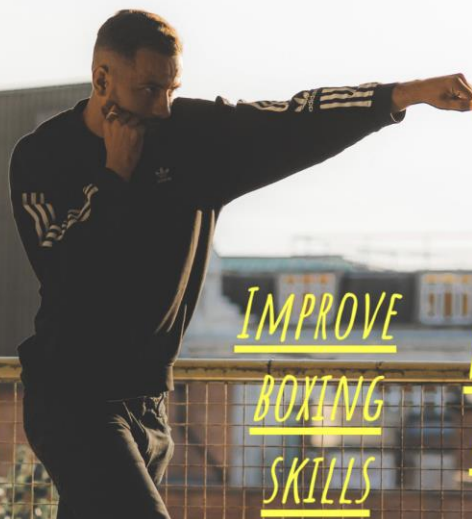
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FAMILY

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Headteacher Awards!



Y1 ASPIRE Award Winners!

Freya	Sofia C	Aren
Beatrice	Tabby	Zoravar
Ruby	Ege	Freyja
Elliot	Melisa	Zac
Alfonso	Ranvir	Elodie
Meric	Avril	Amber



Y2 ASPIRE Award Winners!

Shaurya	Callista	Ollie	Mabel
Olivia M	Max G	Olivia K	Luke



Y3 ASPIRE Award Winners!

Elias	Findlay
Viraj	Maria B



Y4 ASPIRE Award Winners!

Henry	Olivia
Ella	Alex M
Lulu	Gabriel
Jonathan	Maria



Do you have a query, concern, positive comment or complaint?

We do suggest that parents **contact their child's class teacher first with any issues** regarding a child's progress and any class related matters. **Then**, parents are invited to **contact the phase leader** who line manages your child's class teacher **with any unresolved concerns**:

- **Mrs Daisy Dempster** is our Director of Learning **overseeing the EYFS**
- **Miss Alice McArdle** is our Director of Learning **overseeing Y1 and Y2**
- **Ms Laura Reilly and Mrs Rosie Fletcher-Brown** are our Directors of Learning **overseeing Y3 and Y4**
- **Mr Matt Collier** is our Director of Learning **overseeing Y5 and Y6**

You can contact them via email on info@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk stating who you wish to contact or via the school number on 0208 8948 0195. It is normally appropriate to communicate directly with the member of staff concerned **or in the case of serious concerns it may be appropriate to address them directly to Mr. Rosewell as acting Headteacher.** To contact Mr. Rosewell our acting Headteacher, directly please email headteacher@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk



Please could we ask that when you are contacting the school by phone, email or even in person, to **always give both your child's full name and their class.** It would really help us. Thank you!

The library now has a website which can be accessed via The Vineyard School website. Please click [here](#).



Email Communication Channels

Alongside the info@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk for general emails to staff, we now have other email inboxes.

If your child is **absent** for any reason or for attendance related issues please email:

absence@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk

For any **sport related enquiry** or to contact Liz Foster our Sport and Co-Curricular Leader please email:

sport@vineyard.richmond.sch.uk

Useful Links

Please see below some links to our website that parents may find useful:

[Calendar](#)
[Absence and Attendance](#)
[Koosa Kids](#)
[Extra-Curricular Clubs](#)
[Library](#)
[Report and Absence](#)
[FAQs](#)

DIARY OF EVENTS – AUTUMN TERM 2021 (week by week view) Value Focus: Respect / PSHE Unit ‘Being me in my world’

Week Beginning	Date	Time	Those Involved	Event
Week 1—30-Aug	Wed 1-Sept	All-day	Whole-School	INSET-DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
	Wed 1-Sept	All-day	Staff	PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY
	Thu 2-Sept	8.30am	Y1-Y6	FIRST DAY OF TERM FOR Y1-Y6
	Thu 2-Sept		YR	Reception Home Visits
Week 2—6-Sept	Mon 6-Sept—Thu 9-Sept		YR	Reception Home Visits & Children’s School Visits
	Fri 10-Sept		YR	Reception Transition Day
Week 3—13-Sept	Mon 13-Sept		YR	Reception Transition Day
	Tue 14-Sept		YR	Reception Transition Day
	Wed 15-Sept	8.40am	YR	RECEPTION BEGIN SCHOOL FULL TIME
	Wed 15-Sept	TBC	Y1-Y6	Y1-Y6 Virtual Parent Engagement Day
	Wed 15-Sept		Governors	FGB
Week 4—20-Sept	Fri 24-Sept	TBC	YR-Parents	Virtual Transition Meetings
Week 5 – 27 Sept	Wed 29 Sept		Governors	Resources
	Thu 30 Sept	All day	Whole School	Individual School Photos
	Fri 1 Oct	All day	Whole School	Sibling School Photos
Week 6 – 4 Oct	Wed 6 Oct	1.30pm-5.00pm	Whole School	Parent Teacher Consultations
	Thu 7 Oct	AM	Office	School Census Day – OFFICE CLOSED AM
	Thu 7 Oct	4.00pm-7.00pm	Whole School	Parent Teacher Consultations
Week 7 – 11 Oct	Thu 14 Oct	6.30pm	Whole School	PTA welcome drinks with Mrs Bracegirdle
Week 8 – 18 Oct	Wed 20 Oct		Governors	D&P
	Thu 21 Oct	All day	Whole School	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
	Fri 22 Oct	All day	Whole School	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
	MON 25 OCT – FRI 29 OCT	HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED Value: Inclusive / Jigsaw PSHE Unit: ‘Celebrating Difference’		
Week 9 – 1 Nov	Mon 1 Nov	All day	Whole School	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
	Mon 1 Nov	All day	Staff	PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY
	Tue 2 Nov	8.30am	Pupils	FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL AFTER HALF TERM
	Sat 6 Nov		Parents and Pupils	PTA Fireworks
Week 10 – 8 Nov				
Week 11 – 15 Nov	Fri 19 Nov	All day	Parents	Parent Engagement Day
Week 12 – 22 Nov	Wed 24 Nov		Governors	D&P
Week 13 – 29 Nov	Wed 1 Dec		Governors	FGB
Week 14 – 6 Dec				
Week 15 – 13 Dec	TBC	TBC	Whole School	Christmas Carol Concerts - TBC
	Fri 17 Dec	12.00pm	Whole School	LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL FINISHES FROM 12.00PM
	MON 20 DEC – FRI 31 DEC	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED		

Please note that some of the above dates may change during the course of the term. **Changes and updates will be highlighted in red.**
Please check your weekly newsletter for changes.

DIARY OF EVENTS – SPRING TERM 2022 (week by week view) **Value Focus: Ambitious / PSHE Unit ‘Dreams and Goals’**

Week Beginning	Date	Time	Those Involved	Event
Week 1 – 3 Jan	Mon 3 Jan	All day	Whole School	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
	Tue 4 Jan	8.30am	Whole School	FIRST DAY OF TERM
Week 2 – 10 Jan				
Week 3 – 17 Jan	Wed 19 Jan		Governors	D&P
	Wed 19 Jan	1.30pm-5.00pm	Whole School	Parent Teacher Consultations
	Thu 20 Jan	4.00pm-7.00pm	Whole School	Parent Teacher Consultations
Week 4 – 24 Jan				
Week 5 – 31 Jan				
Week 6 – 7 Feb	Tue 8 Feb	All day	Whole School	Safer Internet Day
	MON 14 FEB – FRI 18 FEB	HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED Value: Self-Awsre / Jigsaw PHSE Unit: ‘Healthy Me’		
Week 7 – 21 Feb	Mon 21 Feb	8.30am	Whole School	FIRST DAY BACK AFTER HALF TERM
Week 8 – 28 Feb	Thu 3 Mar	All day	Whole School	World Book Day
Week 9 – 7 Mar	Wed 9 Mar		Governors	Resources
Week 10 – 14 Mar	TBC	TBC	Whole School	Parent Engagement Day - TBC
Week 11 – 21 Mar				
Week 12 – 28 Mar	Wed 30 Mar		Governors	FGB
	TBC	TBC	Pupils and Parents	Year 4 Spring Assemblies - TBC
	Fri 1 Apr	12.00pm	Whole School	LAST DAY OF TERM – SCHOOL FINISHES FROM 12.00PM
	MON 4 APR – FRI 15 APR	EASTER HOLIDAYS HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED		

Summer Term starts for pupils from 8.30am on Monday 19th April 2022

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DIARY OF EVENTS – SUMMER TERM 2022 (week by week view) Value Focus: Ambitious / PSHE Unit ‘Dreams and Goals’

Week Beginning	Date	Time	Those Involved	Event
Week 1 – 18 Apr	Mon 18 Apr	All day	Whole School	EASTER MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
	Tue 19 Apr	8.30am	Whole School	FIRST DAY OF TERM
Week 2 – 25 Apr				
Week 3 – 2 May				
Week 4 – 9 May	Mon 9 May – Fri 13 May		Whole School	Mental Health Awareness Week
	Mon 9 May – Fri 13 May		KS2	KS2 SATs Week
Week 5 – 16 May	Wed 18 May		Governors	Resources
	TBC	TBC	Pupils	School Disco - TBC
Week 6 – 23 May				
	MON 30 MAY – FRI 3 JUN	HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED Value: Persevering / Jigsaw PSHE Unit: ‘Changing Me’		
Week 7 – 6 Jun	Mon 6 Jun	8.30am	Whole School	FIRST DAY BACK AFTER HALF TERM
	TBC	TBC	Y5	Year 5 Assemblies - TBC
Week 8 – 13 Jun	Mon 13 Jun – Fri 17 Jun	All day	Whole School	Refugee Week
	Wed 15 Jun		Governors	D&P
Week 9 – 20 Jun	Wed 22 Jun		Governors	FGB
Week 10 – 27 Jun	TBC	TBC	Whole School	Festival of Sport - TBC
Week 11 – 4 Jul	TBC	TBC	Y6	Year 6 Performance - TBC
Week 12 – 11 Jul	TBC	TBC	Y6	Year 6 Performance - TBC
Week 13 – 18 Jul	Thu 21 Jul	12.00pm	Whole School	LAST DAY OF TERM – SCHOOL FINISHES FROM 12.00PM
	Fri 22 Jul	All day	Whole School	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
	MON 25 JUL – WED 31 AUG	SUMMER HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED		

Autumn starts for pupils from 8.30am on Thursday 1st September 2022

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We include occasional notices from external organisations that we consider may be of interest to the school community. However, it should be noted that the school does not make checks on these organisations and their inclusion should not be seen as any form of endorsement. Please ensure that you are happy with any COVID related regulations put in place by these external organisations before participating in their events as The Vineyard is not responsible for these.



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Our Covid-Secure Breakfast & After School Clubs are OPEN, every school day.
See reverse for more information.

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