



Upcoming Events

Thu 21 Nov	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
Fri 22 Nov	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
Mon 25 Nov – Fri 29 Nov	HALF TERM – School Closed
Mon 1 Nov	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
Tue 2 Nov	First day back to school after half term
Thu 4 Nov	Non-uniform day
Fri 5 Nov	Year 2 London Zoo Trip
Fri 5 Nov	Phonics Talk for Reception Parents and Carers via Zoom

Don't Forget...

NO DOGS ALLOWED ONSITE



- Monday 1st November is an Inset Day – School is closed for all pupils
- The first day back after half term is Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Please read below the procedures that we are required to take in relation to COVID cases in the school.

- 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:

- **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)**

Updates and Notices

Year 2 London Zoo Trip

On Friday 5th November, Year 2 will be going on a trip to London Zoo to support their science topic 'Animals including Humans'. The trip **will leave promptly from school at 8:30am** – please ensure your child arrives at **8:25am** on this day. The trip will **return to school at 3:00pm** in time for normal collection.

Children should wear **full school uniform** to ensure they are easily identifiable and **wear a raincoat if there is bad weather**. All children should also **bring a packed lunch in a named, disposable bag** (biodegradable or paper if possible please) which should **not contain sweets, nuts or fizzy drinks**.

Become a Vineyard gardener!

A reminder from the last newsletter that **Mrs Collier has been doing a wonderful job with our great outdoor spaces** and we would love to **involve families in making our gardens more beautiful**. If you would like to **adopt and nurture a small space with your child, to plant, grow and enhance our environment, please contact Mrs Axbey**. If you don't have time to offer, but would like to give some bulbs or plants that would also be appreciated.

Georgie Paterson

**BREAST
CANCER**
AWARENESS MONTH

INSTATE

During the half term, Miss Paterson is going to be participating in a 24-hour 'skiathon' for Breast Cancer awareness month. There will be a team of four others; and we will be working throughout the 24 hours on a Skierg Cardio machine, taking it in turns to keep the machine moving for the whole time raising as much money as we can for charity.

If you can, please scan the barcode or follow the link to the JustGiving page to sponsor the team.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/instate-fitness-bca>

Thank you

Miss Paterson

Year Two



SCAN ME

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.

Alumni visit The Vineyard – Class of 1961

We were delighted to welcome back 3 ex-Vineyard students this week. The 3 classmates were students at the Vineyard School between 1954 and 1961. During their visit they pawed through the school's collection of registers, diaries and other achieved documents from the period they were at the school. It was great to have them visit us again, they first visited us back in 2019 when they delivered an assembly on the differences between school life today and back in the 50s. They all commented on how great the school looked particularly our wonderful library.



Non-uniform day

On Thursday 4th November we are having **Non-Uniform day** to raise money for two important causes.

Miss Reilly has planned an inspiring acknowledgement of **Remembrance Day** and all the children will be able to take part during the week beginning 8th November. Money raised will help us to **fund our own tribute to the concept of the Unknown Soldier**. We hope that this brings to life history learning across the school.

The Non-Uniform day is **also to help raise money to look after the rabbits**, Robert and Penelope as they are in need of food and hay!

Please can the children contribute £1 to support and enjoy the day.

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

No dogs are allowed on school site.

Year 6 Reception NCMP

On Monday 13th December, our school nurses from Richmond Borough will be coming to the school to **measure Year 6 and Reception pupils' height and weight**. This is part of a program that takes place each year to monitor pupil health.

A message has been sent out on Ping with further information, including **where to sign up to receive your child's results and how to opt out** if you wish.

If Year 6 and Reception parents have not already, please could you sign up to the service or, if you do not wish for your child to be measured, **alternatively opt out**.

Reception Hearing Screening

On **Monday 22nd November, Tuesday 23rd November and Thursday 25th November, Reception children will be undertaking their hearing screening**. Children are offered a routine hearing screen as part of the School Health Screening Programme during their reception year at school. The main aim of the hearing screening programme is to identify children who have a hearing loss. One of our school screeners will be visiting to carry out a routine hearing screen.

A message has been sent out via Ping with full information, please see main points below.

During the screen, sounds will be presented through headphones and your child will be asked to play a simple game when they hear the sound. The screen only takes a few minutes to complete. If your child requires a further assessment, you will be informed by a letter.

Following the COVID 19 pandemic, all screeners will be dressed in appropriate personal protective equipment and will adhere to infection control procedures for all equipment used.

If you do not want your child to be screened, please let the school know immediately. If you do not opt out before the screeners visit, then it is **assumed that you have agreed to the hearing screen**.

If your child has regular audiology follow up appointments at their local clinic, under an Ear, Nose and Throat Department or if your child has a PVP shunt inserted, please inform the school so that your child is not screened.

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.

Updates and Notices

Pop-its

As you are probably aware, there is a current craze on **pop-its** and **we would like to ask you not to allow your child to bring them into school**, unless specifically requested by your teacher. They are becoming a problem in class both as a distraction and as a cause of arguments and competition. We do have some ourselves as part of our therapeutic support and should your child be seen to be clearly benefitting from this equipment, we will let you know. Thank you for your support.

Phonics talk for Reception

There will be a **Phonics Talk for Reception parents and carers on Friday 5th November at 10.00am**. This is an opportunity to learn more about our phonics programme - Read Write Inc - and to find out how to support your child at home with their phonics learning.

This will be **held via Zoom** – the details have been sent out via Ping by Mrs Dempster.

The Zoom session will be recorded and slides sent out to Reception parents after the talk, along with a link to the recorded session.

Handwriting support for Years 3 and 4

Mrs Selene Caldirola-Cutler, an Expert in Handwriting, is kindly offering her help this term in supporting some children from Year 3 and Year 4 that are experiencing handwriting difficulties. You will find more information on Mrs Caldirola-Cutler on <https://handwritingsupport.co.uk> and on the advert displayed here.

Handwriting Tutor

- ✓ Achieve clear and confident handwriting
- ✓ Neat handwriting is important in Exams
- ✓ Don't lose marks unnecessarily!



Mrs. Cutler: St Margarets, TW1 T: 07521 554188

E: selene.cutler@handwritingsupport.co.uk

BA(Hons) Languages - Professional Handwriting Analysis/Graphology -
Member of the National Handwriting Association - DAB checked

Lego cards continue!

"Although our lovely Year 6 class of 2021 has graduated, their Vineyard-grown project of selling Lego cards for the H-ABC Foundation Charity is expanding!"

Oli & Ben, the sweetest little cafe in Church Court, Richmond with delicious Brazilian pies and food - right next door to the Alligator's Mouth - is now stocking the cards and there are new designs! And what's better, the cafe is owned by a Vineyard dad.

Thank you for supporting Homemade Cards For Hope by stocking the cards with 100% of proceeds (£3.50 per card) going to the tiny H-ABC Foundation UK charity, which is raising funds to start human trials to stop H-ABC, a very rare brain disease affecting 200 children in the world. The charity is owned and run by mums of H-ABC kids living in the UK and they are all extremely grateful!" ~ Miki, Vineyard Parent



3Play at Gunnersbury Park

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.

- **When:** Thursdays 5:30-7pm
- **Who for:** School Year 3 to 6
- **Venue:** Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub
First two sessions free!

Further information can be found on our booking page here: <https://www.brentfordfcst.com/event/autumn-3play/>



Community Sports Trust



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

Boxing Club at Grey Court

Grey Court are running a boxing club every Saturday from 11am-12pm. For more information please see the poster across.

We hoping to start up a boxing club of our own for Years 5 and 6 on Monday's from 5.15pm to 6.15pm. Please keep an eye out for any communications if this goes ahead!

GLOVES UP BOXING COMMUNITY CLUB

TOGETHER WE CAN BE STRONGER

EVERY SATURDAY
11AM - MIDDAY

LOCATION:
GREY COURT SCHOOL GYM

CONTACT:
MCANTUARIODASILVA@GREYCOURT.ORG.UK

£5 KIDS
£10 ADULTS

ALL ARE WELCOME
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

IMPROVE BOXING SKILLS
HAVE FUN
LOSE WEIGHT
TONE UP

Waterproof jackets

For extracurricular one of the conditions of attending is to be dressed appropriately. If children are not in waterproof clothing they run the risk of losing their place at the extra-curricular club.

During the school day, at break times and during PE, children play and learn in all weather conditions, including drizzle. They must have a waterproof jacket. Umbrellas can be used when travelling to school but not during the school day.



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OCTOBER CAMPS



LONDON SCOTTISH

25TH-27TH OCTOBER
£15 PER DAY OR £40 FOR 3 DAYS (2 HOURS
EACH DAY)
BOYS & GIRLS AGED 7-12 & 13-16



OLD WHITS

27TH-29TH OCTOBER
£42 PER DAY OR £115 FOR 3 DAYS
BOYS & GIRLS AGED U7'S/U8'S,
U9'S/U10'S, U11'S/U12'S, 13'S/U14'S



WARRIORS

28TH-29TH OCTOBER
£42 PER DAY OR £80 FOR 2 DAYS
BOYS & GIRLS U7'S/U8'S, U9'S/U10'S,
U11'S/U12'S/U13'S, U14'S/U15'S & U17'S/U18'S



OLD RUTS

26TH-27TH OCTOBER
£42 PER DAY OR £80 FOR 2 DAYS
BOYS & GIRLS U7'S-U10'S & U11'S-U14'S

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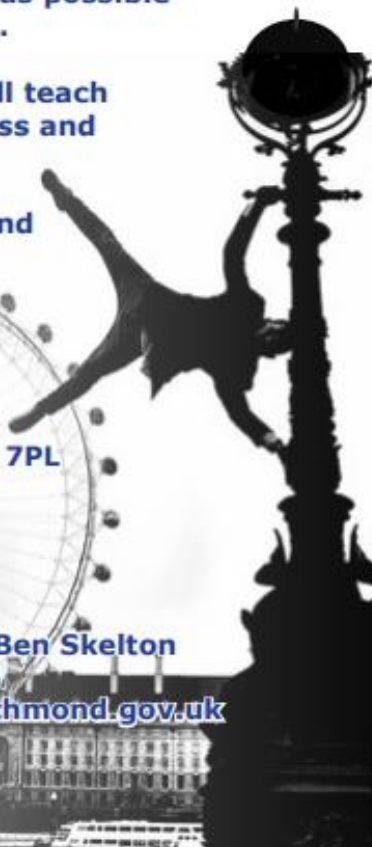
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efficiently and quickly as possible
in one graceful motion.

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you the strength, fitness and
techniques needed for
the groundbreaking
discipline of parkour and
freerunning.

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Open to 11-19s

FREE

For more info contact Ben Skelton
Phone: 020 8288 0916
Email: ben.skelton@richmond.gov.uk



SIMMSport at St Mary's

SIMMSport returns to St Mary's University. The recreational children's sport is returning for the year starting the week of the 4th October, spaces are limited on Gymnastics and Athletic sessions so contact now to avoid disappointment.

<https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/sport/simmsport/simmsport.aspx>

Skateboarding links

Please see below some links for opportunities develop your skateboarding skills!

Skates & Ladders:

Private skateboard lessons which work around the most convenient time, date and location for you.

Skate Club:

Weekly weekend skateboard clubs for beginners, intermediates and adults.



Headteacher Awards!



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 8 – 18 Oct	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
	Thu 4 Nov	All day	Whole School	Non-uniform day
	Fri 5 Nov	All day	Year 2	Year 2 London Zoo Trip
	Fri 5 Nov	10.00am	Reception Parents	Phonics Talk for Reception Parents and Carers via Zoom
Week 10 – 8 Nov	Mon 8 Nov		Year 2 & 3	Year 2 & 3 Diwali Workshop
Week 11 – 15 Nov	Mon 15 Nov	All day	Whole School	Odd Socks Day
	Tue 16 Nov	8.00am	Governors	Resources
	Fri 19 Nov	All day	Parents	Parent Engagement Day
Week 12 – 22 Nov	Mon 22 Nov	AM	Reception	Hearing Screening
	Mon 22 Nov	6.00pm	Governors	D&P
	Tue 23 Nov	AM	Reception	Hearing Screening
	Thu 25 Nov	AM	Reception	Hearing Screening
Week 13 – 29 Nov	Sat 4 Dec	12.00-4.00pm	Parents and pupils	Winter Fair
Week 14 – 6 Dec	Mon 6 Dec	6.00pm	Governors	FGB
	Tue 7 Dec	All day	Whole School	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
	Tue 7 Dec	9.30am	Reception (Topaz)	Christmas Nativity
	Wed 8 Dec	9.30am	Reception (Jade)	Christmas Nativity
	Thu 9 Dec	9.30am	Reception (Opal)	Christmas Nativity
	Fri 10 Dec	AM	Reception	Pantomime Dance Workshop
Week 15 – 13 Dec	TBC	TBC	Whole School	Christmas Carol Concerts - TBC
	TBC	TBC	Whole School	Christmas Jumper Day - 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.

Spring Term starts for pupils from 8.30am on Tuesday 4th January 2022

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	6.00pm	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	Fri 4 Feb	All day	Whole School	Wear Something That Makes You Happy - TBC
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	8.00am	Governors	Resources
Week 10 – 14 Mar	Fri 18 Mar	All day	Whole School	Red Nose Day
	TBC	TBC	Whole School	Parent Engagement Day - TBC
Week 11 – 21 Mar	Tue 22 Mar	6.00pm	Governors	FGB
Week 12 – 28 Mar	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
	Fri 22 Apr	All day	Whole School	Earth Day
Week 2 – 25 Apr				
Week 3 – 2 May				
Week 4 – 9 May	Mon 9 May – Fri 13 May	All week	Whole School	Mental Health Awareness Week
	Mon 9 May – Fri 13 May	All week	KS2	KS2 SATs Week
Week 5 – 16 May	Wed 18 May	8.00am	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	6.00pm	Governors	D&P
Week 9 – 20 Jun	Wed 22 Jun	6.00pm	Governors	FGB
	Thu 23 Jun	All day	Whole School	Thank a Teacher Day
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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See reverse for more information.

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