



Weekly Newsletter: 18.09.26

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful second week we have had at Vermont!

I have been incredibly proud to see the resilience our children have shown, both within their learning and in developing and strengthening their friendships. It has been particularly special to see how beautifully our children have welcomed new pupils into our school and how well new children have settled into the Vermont community. There is already a wonderful sense of belonging, kindness and togetherness across the school.

The children have had great fun accessing their provisions this week and making some fantastic memories along the way! From Badgers perfecting their handstands in the swimming pool with Miss Summer, to Foxes canoeing across the lake, with Miss Amy even taking an unexpected dunk! There have been smiles, laughter and plenty of exciting stories to share. The atmosphere around the school this week has been truly captivating, and for our Vermont team, it continues to be a privilege to be part of such a vibrant, caring and joyful community. We are incredibly proud of our children and look forward to seeing what adventures, achievements and special moments the weeks ahead will bring.

Kelly Moss

Interim Head of School



☀️ This Week at Vermont

Hedgehogs: We have been working so hard on our writing this week and thinking of all of the sounds we can hear in words, and in Maths we have been using our careful counting to find a given number. We have also been enjoying playing different board games and completing puzzles; taking turns and listening to others.



Rabbits: This week in rabbits we have been learning to write our names and learning initial sounds of different things. During foundation fun we have also been showing of our different dance moves and teaching the adults how to moon walk.





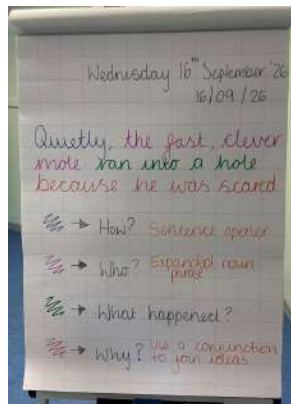
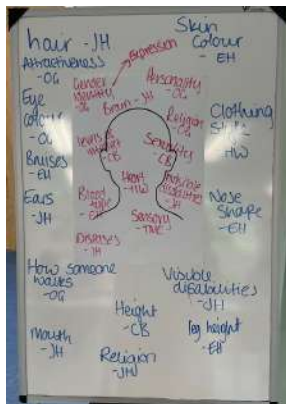
Badgers: This week in badgers we have done an incredible job at settling into our new routines. Everyone has been doing an incredible job getting to know their new peers and it has been lovely to see everyone playing and growing together.

Foxes: We have had a brilliant week in Foxes. We have practiced our ability to read number lines, order and compare numbers and round to the nearest 10. In English the children have been incredibly motivated in their writing, learning all about writing with tension and suspense. The children had a fantastic time canoeing at QE2 this week and I am incredibly proud of the maturity and team work during our rounders game in PE.

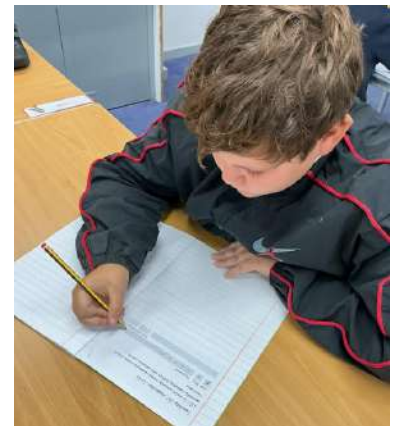




Squirrels have been working hard on their recount writing this week, learning how to put events in the correct order and include key details. We have also been exploring what makes each of us unique and celebrating the qualities that make us special.



Owls Class have been working hard on their handwriting and fine motor skills in English this week. They have been writing 'All About Me' sentences, practising correct letter formation and using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. We are really proud of you all for working so hard!





Deers have worked hard in Maths this week, comparing and ordering numbers and showing great perseverance. They have written beautiful sentences about themselves and got their scientific brains on while learning about vertebrates. In Forest School, they explored our local area, identifying risks and hazards and learning how to stay safe.



Celebrating Our Pupils

Headteacher Award: Harlow- For making the right choices and showing positive behaviour.

Fantastic Friendship Award: **Jai, Alfie, Sienna, Harlow, Cody & Vida**

English star of the week: **Skyla, Louis, Tejay, Bailey, Sheldon & Oscar**

Maths star of the week: **Lennix, Jenson, Mason, Vega, Tommie & Esmae**



Whole-school attendance this week: 95%

Congratulations to **Rabbits** for achieving **100%** attendance this week, and winning a cake.

Every school day is an important opportunity to learn.

Important Notices

We have been made aware of a new TikTok trend involving the Cat in the Hat character that is currently circulating online. We wanted to make you aware of this so that you can talk to your child about it at home, should they come across the content.

The trend involves AI-generated images and videos featuring the Cat in the Hat character in unusual or unsettling situations. Some of the content includes fictional warnings or references to schools and local communities. Although this content can appear concerning, the images and videos are digitally created and there is no evidence that they represent a real-life threat.

TikTok has a minimum age requirement of 13. However, we appreciate that some children may encounter content through their own devices or through devices belonging to older siblings or family members.

We would encourage parents and carers to:

- Talk to your child about anything they may have seen online that has worried or frightened them.
- Remind them that not everything they see online is real or accurate.
- Encourage them not to share or repost frightening content, as this can contribute to unnecessary worry.
- Remind them to speak to a trusted adult if something they see online makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe.



It is also important that children who are permitted to use social media at home understand that other children may not have permission to use these platforms due to age restrictions. Discussing or sharing frightening content at school may cause unnecessary worry for children who have not encountered it themselves.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to keep our children safe and happy both online and offline.

♥ Thank You

Thank you to all our pupils, parents, carers, staff and wider school community for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend!

 **Dates for Your Diary**

Date	Event
Autumn 1 Tuesday Wednesday Friday	<u>Provision (weekly)</u> Foxes attend QE2 Badgers attend Swimming Deers attend Swimming
22nd September 2026	School nurse- Flu vaccine
23rd October 2026	Last Day of Half Term
2nd November 2026	First Day Back
Autumn 2 Tuesday Wednesday Friday	<u>Provision (weekly)</u> Squirrels attend QE2 Owls attend Swimming Foxes attend Swimming
10th December 2026	Christmas Jumper Day



14th December 2026	Christmas Dinner Day
18th December 2026	Last Day of Half Term- Christmas Fair
4th January 2027	First Day Back
Spring 1 Wednesday Wednesday Tuesday Friday	<u>Provision (weekly)</u> Rabbits attend City Farm Squirrels attend Swimming Badgers attend QE2 Hedgehogs attend Swimming
29th January 2027	Inset Day- School closed to pupils
12th February 2027	Last Day of Half Term
22nd February 2027	First Day Back
Spring 2 Wednesday Wednesday Tuesday Friday	<u>Provision (weekly)</u> Rabbits attend City Farm Squirrels attend Swimming Badgers attend QE2 Hedgehogs attend Swimming
25th March 2027	Last Day of Half Term
12th April 2027	Structured Conversations
13th April 2027	First Day Back
3rd May 2027	Bank Holiday- School Closed
28th May 2027	Last Day of Half Term
7th June 2027	First Day Back
21st June 2027	Year 6 Leavers Assembly- 2:30pm



25th June 2027	Inset Day- School closed to pupils
16th July 2027	Last day of Summer term- Summer Fair
19th, 20th, 21st July 2027	Inset Day- School closed to pupils