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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th July 2019

Inspiring All

ATTENDANCE

Week beginning 8th July 2019

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| Robin Class | 96% |
| Wagtail Class | 95.11% |
| Lapwing Class | 89.67 |
| Parakeet Class | 93% |
| Wren&Sparrow Class | 89.59% |
| Goldfinch Class | 99.43% |
| Kestrel Class | 96.59% |

The classes who have won our attendance horses this week are Robin and Goldfinch.

RECOGNITION BOARDS

Next week our target to be recognised will be: **To be a good buddy.**

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

Well done to:

Wagtail: Jaiden, Donovan, Oliver

Parakeet: Ethan, Charlie M-W, Jools

Sparrow & Wren: Mabel, Luke

Goldfinch: Whole class at Stemfest

Kestrel: Kai, Lauren L, Vincent, Cameron, Beth

KS2 SAT ASSESSMENTS

We were so proud of our year 6 this week when they found out that all theirs; their teachers; and their families hard work had paid off with some great results! A break down of all our assessments for EYFS, Y1 Phonics, KS1 and unvalidated KS2 data can be found on the school website. We can end the school year on a positive note and celebrate the impact of many of the changes that have happened this year, but with a clear view of

our aspirations and improvements needed for our next year's school development plan.



TRIGOLF

Year 3 and 4 took a team to the Epsom and Ewell borough Tri golf tournament this week. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were superb ambassadors of the school. We have had some lovely comments about their behaviour at the event. Overall in the tournament we came 4th out of 7. Well done team.





OPEN AFTERNOON

It was lovely to welcome all those who came to see their current and future teachers on Wednesday this week. There was a very positive buzz walking around school and lots of lovely artwork and other learning on display. I know the children enjoy showing their parents to their new classrooms. We hope all of you have had opportunity to respond either in writing or verbally to your children's reports and used this as an opportunity to ask any questions or seek clarification.

PFIZER VISIT

Year 3 had a super afternoon on Wednesday when we had visitors to school from Pfizers to talk about the process medicines go through from design to distribution. They also learnt about safe use of medicines and staying healthy.



PTA AGM MEETING

We had a very successful PTA meeting this week when we were able to thank those who have worked tirelessly this year in committee roles: Michelle Bogie, Georgina Potter and Dawn White for all their hard work. The fundraising has been phenomenal and has supported the school in refurbishing the infant toilets last summer; giving our school library a makeover; having the chicks; and paying for a three-year licence for us to continue to use Mathletics amongst other things. They have also pledged a sum of money for September to each class to help give them a stationery starter pack e.g. felt pens, paints etc. As a school we are very appreciative to all our families and their generosity of time and money to support all our pupils.

We welcome in a new committee for the next academic year with Libby Brook and Danielle Nash taking on the roles of Co-Chairs; Robin White as treasurer and Hannah Root as Secretary. A huge thank you again and I'm sure next year will be as every bit of a success.

There may still be a couple of vacancies for class reps so please do shout if this is a role you feel you could take on. All parents are welcome to attend PTA meetings or help and support at events. You can come to as many or as few as you like. We all know that many hands make light work.

Thank you also to all those parents of Y6 children who have helped over the years and maybe now moving on – your support has been very much appreciated.

We already have some dates for your diaries.....

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| Friday 20 th September 9am-10am | McMillan Coffee Morning open to all parents and carers. We would love this to be an opportunity for new families to the school to come along and get to know us. |
| Sunday 22 nd September 10am | Boot and Bench Sale |
| Friday 18 th October | Quiz Night |
| Saturday 7 th December | Christmas Fayre |
| Friday 13 th December | Christmas Infant and Junior Discos |



The PTA will also be holding Lolly Sales today and next Friday after school as well as the final day of term.

STEMFEST

Our Y5 pupils visited Blenheim this week as part of our curriculum work in science. They found out many new exciting bits of information and had the opportunity to explore and investigate a whole host of different hypothesis. It was a wonderfully engaging experience and our pupils participated with enthusiasm.



WHOLE SCHOOL WOODLAND WALK

We are looking forward to our whole school walk with a picnic on Wednesday 17th July. We invite parent/grandparent volunteers to help us with this walk. It is our intention to enjoy a picnic together on our way back – close to the school in order to be near toilets. If your child normally has school dinners, the kitchen will prepare them a pack lunch picnic for the day. Those who won lunch with the Co-Heads will have opportunity to picnic with us there. It will be a lovely way to enjoy our local area together as a school and celebrate the end of this academic year.

Y5/6 PRODUCTION

We are very much looking forward to the Y5/6 production next week of Robin Hood. The children have worked extremely hard to make a fantastic performance.

Tickets are still available from the school office.

PTA BARN DANCE

Please do buy your tickets for our family Barn Dance on Saturday 13th July. It is promising to be a really fun evening for all the family. Tickets are £7.50 or you can buy a family ticket for £25. Tickets will also be available on the door on the night. The children were very excited about the event when talked about it in Junior Assembly.



PARKING

We have had complaints again this week about parents parking insensitively across our neighbouring resident's drives. Please do be mindful and respectful of where you park. It is also not safe to park across pavements where our youngsters are walking or crossing. We met with our new Local Community Police Officer today, Claire Owen who is aware of ongoing issues and will be supporting us all in the community.

KS1 DISTRICT SPORTS

Our KS1 team have headed off this morning to take part in the Epsom and Ewell Borough District Sports Event. I am sure they will all do us proud and we look forward to hearing how they get on. Good luck team.

STRAWBERRY TEA

Each summer we try to hold this fundraising event to raise money for Breast Cancer Care. Cancer is a disease that has affected so many of our families and is close to our hearts in school with staff who have suffered. We welcomed members of the community and parents from the school choir. The children chatted, helped serve and sang beautifully. We hope to have raised a generous donation to breast cancer care.





HAMPER MUFTI -DAY

Well done to Robin class who have won the Hamper design competition this summer. All of the Hampers for the raffle this term have looked amazing and it was a very difficult choice. Your mufti day reward will be on **Tuesday 16th July.**



FACEBOOK/TWITTER

Please do follow, retweet and like us. We can be found on Facebook at: @thevaleprimary and on Twitter @ValePrimarySch. Our twitter feed links directly to our homepage of our website too.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please do take a look at the Community News section of the website for events happening in the local area. This has many up and coming events on.

DATES

(New dates highlighted in blue)

| Summer Term Dates | | |
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| 13.07.19 | PTA Barn Dance | 5.30 – 7.30pm |
| 17.07.19 | Whole School Woodland Walk and Picnic | 11.00 – 1.00pm |
| 17.07.19 | Year 5/6 Production | 6.30pm |
| 18.07.19 | Year 5/6 Production | 2.00pm |
| 23.07.19 | Yr 6 Leavers Assembly | 9.00am |
| 23.07.19 | Yr 6 Leavers Party | 4 – 6.00pm |
| 24.07.19 | Attendance Reward | |
| 24.07.19 | Term ends | 1.30pm |

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