

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th April 2020

Inspiring All



We hope the first week back after the Easter break went well. We have been overwhelmed by some of the lovely emails we have received with photos of the learning and activities families have been up to over the Easter break and during this week. We continue to be open for those essential key worker's children within our school community and open remotely to all. This has been illustrated beautifully with all those who joined us together as a school wearing their House colours on Monday this week as part of our **#Challenge2**. Thank you to all pupils, staff and parents who participated in this.



We have been pleased to see on Google Classrooms how the children have generally settled back to learning remotely this week in such challenging circumstances. Please do continue to be in touch if we can support you with this in any way. Our priority at home is still ensuring that children feel safe and not anxious. We know parents are working at home as well as children and we are making the best of what we can in challenging circumstances.



Tuesday 28 April is International Workers' Memorial Day, and the focus for this year is the Coronavirus pandemic and in particular remembering those key workers, including teachers and school staff who have lost their lives to COVID-19. GLF Academy trust and the school will be joining many others to hold a minute silence at 11am to mark this so please do join with us.

Thank you to all families and staff who have been having a go at our 'Give it all you've got!' Vale **#Challenge3** song. We are working to make a montage and show you all the video very soon.



Morgan's Challenge

Morgan in Year 5, set himself the challenge to walk the equivalent of Canary Wharf tower by climbing stairs his stairs at home 114 times. He's very sore, itchy and uncomfortable with his skin at the moment but he has done it and raised well over his original target of £150 for the NHS. When I last looked at the justgiving page he had raised £1,030. Well done Morgan – that's amazing! If you feel able to support Morgan with his challenge you can donate here:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/morgansmission4thenhs?fbclid=IwAR1I7SYToUc-sa124XOCUwCc9dZVnlRts35E_BZmlrA3vGDgDpn59xlvo

#Challenge4

For our next whole school challenge we would like to **'create a quiz'** about the school. We'd really love you to send us in some questions about the school (with their answers) to head@vale.surrey.sch.uk that we can collect these together and release as a quiz to you all for **#Challenge5** next week. The questions could be about the history of the school or about the school now e.g. Which member of staff has worked at the school the longest? What was the name of the first Headteacher of The Vale Primary School? In what year did the school open? How many vegetable plots are there in the eco garden? What colour is the horse in the junior playground? Etc.....



We hope you have a good weekend and please do keep in touch. The office is open Monday to Friday on 01372 273639 and we are also available on email at: info@vale.surrey.ch.uk or head@vale.surrey.sch.uk or co-head@vale.surrey.sch.uk .

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Take Care and missing everyone very much,

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