

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th July 2020

Inspiring All



As we come to the end of our penultimate week before the end of this academic year, it really feels so different from other years. There are obvious reasons for this. There is a real sense of longing for 'normality', whether this be an end of year production, a sports day, leaver's rituals or simply just having all our children and school families back with us. We have and are endeavouring to celebrate the end of the academic year with as many of these things (done differently) as we can.

We have been pleased to get lots of photos and results from pupils taking part in our virtual sports day, both from home and in school. We should be able to announce the results next week once Year 6 has collated them. Next week we are looking forward to our recorded Y6 leaver's assembly when we will get to view the film production they have been working hard to produce. This recording will be posted so all children will be able to view it. Year 6 are also painting the sheds in the Junior Playground with lovely woodland scenes. It is a tradition that each Year 6 leave a legacy creative project and this is theirs – the sheds will be a lovely addition to the playground. We are also looking forward to our transition sessions next week and have been keeping a close eye on the weather forecast. Teachers are very excited to see everyone. They are planning now a variety of activities that you will be able to do whilst socially distant, as well as eating your picnics of course. Next week you will also be able to pick up a pot, some compost and seeds from outside the front of school for our whole school 'Growth' challenge set in this week's assembly. If you haven't seen it yet, you can find it here: www.vale.surrey.sch.uk a long with a lovely video from the Rev'd David Candin wishing everyone a lovely summer.

It is always lovely to hear about the Google Meets that are happening with our children not in school where I know fun quizzes have been held and live maths and English lessons. I was lucky enough to be part of a great Harry Potter quiz this week! We are also so proud of the quality of work we are still seeing on some of our Google Classrooms from some of our pupils. It is going to be wonderful when we will see this continue back in school in September.

We are working very hard currently putting plans in place and completing many risk assessments for when all children return to school in September and we will communicate more detail regarding this with you as soon as

we can. We're following all DfE and GLF guidance to ensure this transition to having the school site open to all is safe. As a result of this we will be having 2 INSET days now in September to ensure the site and staff are fully prepared. **So in addition to the current INSET which was published previously on Tuesday 1st September we also now have Wednesday 2nd September too.** More information regarding September will come to you in due course.

Birthdays

We wish these people a very happy birthday this week!

Marena Georgiou
Mya Thomas
George Tompsett



We hope you all had lovely days.

Next Week:

Transition Picnics

	New Teacher/Current Teacher Picnic on the field	
Monday 13 th July 12-1pm	Y5 Bubble 1	Y5 Bubble 2
Tuesday 14 th July 12-1pm	Y3- Y4	
Tuesday 14 th July 1.30pm - 2.30pm	New to Year R	
Wednesday 15 th July 12-1pm	Y4 – Y5	
Wednesday 15 th July 1.15-2.15pm	Y2 – Y3	
Thursday 16 th July 12-1pm	Y1 - Y2 Bubble 1	Y1 - Y2 Bubble 2
Friday 17 th July 12-1pm	YR - Y1 Bubble 1	YR - Y1 Bubble 2

Drop Off Box

We are aware that some families may have reading books or other resources at home that need returning to school before the end of term. We will be putting an amnesty drop off box outside the school front door each day during the last week of term from 13th July so that any items that need to return to school or get to a teacher can be placed in there. In the instance of wet weather we will keep it just tucked inside the front door by the office and you are welcome to drop in there (one parent at a time).

We are also planning to send books home with children next week from either their bubbles (if they are in school) or from a table situated outside the front of the school on the classes transition picnic days (if it is a year group or child not in school).

End of Term



Friday 17th June is the end of the Summer term and we will be having our early closure that day. Here is the time-table for staggered pick ups for that date.

Time	Group
1pm	YR parents collect from the field
1pm	Y5 G1 (Modular)
1.10pm	Y1 G2 (Side)
1.20pm	Y1 G1 (Side)
1.30pm	Y5 G2 (Modular)
1.40pm	Y6 G1 (Modular)
1.50pm	Y6 G2 (Modular)
1.50pm – 2pm	Key Worker Group

The school will be closed for a Summer break then for all groups. If you are in need of childcare, Donna Woollen who runs our Red Banana, Wrap around care provision is hoping to run activities over the break and will be happy to talk to you. You can reach her at redbananaclub@outlook.com

ICE CREAM VAN

As a way to celebrate the end of term we have organised for an ice cream van to come to the school car park on the last day of term. As we have staggered finish times we hope this will alleviate any congestion and we will ensure there are markings to queue socially distant from one another. We are hoping this will be a nice way to end the school year however we do still encourage parents and children to move quickly from school site and not gather in groups once your ice-cream has been purchased, if you are wanting one.



Some great examples of sports day from home:





Please take care and keep safe. As ever, if you have any concerns or worries please phone the school and/or email. 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 . We are working really hard to ensure that we are here to support you in anyway we can. Don't hesitate to get in touch.

For any safeguarding concerns please email dsl@vale.surrey.sch.uk or co-head@vale.surrey.sch.uk .

Take care and have a good weekend.
Cathy Browne and Sarah Leyland
Co-Headteachers

