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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 30th April 2021

Inspiring All

Each week we celebrate and recognise all our children demonstrating our Vale Learner qualities of:

- Being Safe,
- Being Caring,
- Being Respectful,
- Being Ready,
- Being Resilient,
- Embracing Challenge,
- Being Reflective



This week (as all weeks) we have seen some fantastic learning behaviours. Here are some of our Y6 working as teams and collaborating. Miss McFeeters was very proud of how they all showed all of our above qualities.



TRAVEL TO TOKYO

To celebrate the rescheduled Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games we are setting ourselves a big challenge! We're going to be completing physical activities in school e.g. Guga Fit, Golden Mile, Just Dance sessions to log and build up activity points that convert into miles to take the journey with our athletes to Tokyo. Here Y3 are enjoying a Just Dance session that will convert into miles! We will let you know each week how many miles we have accumulated together so you can see how far on our journey we have got.



CONGRATULATIONS

Modeshift STARS is a national award scheme which offers support and rewards to schools for taking steps to promote safer, greener, and healthier travel. Each year at The Vale we work hard to create a travel plan with actions that we endeavour to put in place and achieve. We have achieved Bronze accreditation this year and thank everyone for all their hard work in taking part in walk to school ventures etc. Well done everyone!





of our next meeting will be Behaviour and Well-Being.

CELEBRATIONS

A huge well done to these children this week for being celebrated for achievements in learning.

- Robin: Mir
- Wagtail: Benji
- Lapwing: Ishaan
- Parakeet: Levy-Rose
- Sparrow: Abi
- Goldfinch: Jamie
- Kestrel: Lily

We were really pleased to award Oracy certificates this week to:

- Robin: Zach
- Wagtail: Sophie
- Lapwing: Ava
- Parakeet: Maisie
- Sparrow: Sienna
- Goldfinch: Ethan
- Kestrel: Annie



Mrs Browne and Mrs Leyland celebrated these people this week with a Co-Headteachers Hot Chocolate for following Vale Values consistently.

- Robin: Jenny
- Wagtail: Casper
- Lapwing: Sierra
- Parakeet: Evelyn
- Sparrow: Hope
- Goldfinch: Charlie S
- Kestrel: Evie

Our staff Hot-Chocolate this week was awarded to Mrs Broadway!

These people are great role models and display our Vale Learner qualities of being caring, ready, safe, respectful, resilient, embracing challenge and reflecting on learning.

CLASS DOJO RESULTS

Well done everyone this week – we could see you trying really hard to achieve Dojos.

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Well done Nijinsky !

STAMP COMPETITION

Another challenge we are taking part in as a school is a design a stamp competition. Royal Mail have opened a competition to young people from 4-14yrs to design a stamp that honours all heroes of the Coronavirus pandemic. Since the pandemic began, there have been many people who have done great things. Many of them are not famous, but they have done extraordinary work. Royal Mail wants to honour these heroes by producing a set of eight stamps. They are asking young people to think about who their hero or heroes are, and to then design a stamp in their honour. We will be entering the children's designs they complete in school.



NUT FREE POLICY

We are a nut free school as we do have children in our school with severe allergies. Please can we reiterate that this does also include not having chocolate spread in sandwiches in school.

FAMILY FORUM

A reminder that we have scheduled in a date for our next family forum on **Wednesday 5th May at 2.00pm**. This will be held by zoom and the link has been sent out previously on parentmail. Please do let us know if you did not receive it or would like it. It was great to see a range of parents at our last meeting this term and we would love to see even more at the next to gauge the views of our parent community. We do ask that we have at least one representative of each class there to ensure the voice is from across the whole school. **The focus**



HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN – HOME LEARNING

Our words for the week next week will be:

KS1 Word of the Day

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Word of the Day : **float** (verb)

Definition : rest on liquid surface / hover on a liquid or air.

Floating gently, the ship passed the lighthouse.

Synonym : hover.

Antonym : sink.

Challenge : Use WOD as a past participle.

KS2 Word of the Day

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Word of the Day : **rebuff** (noun / verb)

Definition : reject in an ungracious or abrupt manner.

*The head teacher **rebuffed** the children's requests for an extra break time..*

Synonym : reject.

Antonym : welcome.

Challenge : Use WOD in complex sentence.

RECOGNITION TARGET

This week, we are looking across the school to learn about and recognise the behaviour for learning target: **To never give up and be resilient**

ATTENDANCE

Can we reiterate please that all holidays during term time will be unauthorised and that as we are all very aware from the circumstances of this year, the impact of days missed can be significant on learning. We do understand that this has been a very difficult year but urge families to take their holidays during the school holidays.

Week beginning 26.4.2021

Robin Class	91.9%
Wagtail Class	97.5%
Lapwing Class	99.6%
Parakeet Class	97.6%
Sparrow Class	94.3%
Goldfinch Class	97.5%
Kestrel Class	93.8%
Whole School Attendance for Week	96.03%

Whole School Attendance for Term to date	95.6%
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The classes who have won our virtual attendance horses this week are Lapwing and Parakeet.

COVID19

We continue to ask that all parents are vigilant in ensuring that their children do not attend school for 10 days if they develop any of the following Covid symptoms:

- A high temperature (38C or higher)
- A new persistent cough
- A loss of (or change in) their sense of taste or smell

Children must also isolate at home for 10 days if any of their household have symptoms or have had a positive Covid-19 test.

If your child has symptoms, please keep them at home and arrange for a Covid test by calling 119 or booking a test on the NHS website here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

Please be aware that if your child has any of the above symptoms they should not return to school unless they have completed the isolation period or received a negative Covid test. A GP's diagnosis without a test is not sufficient for this purpose.

If you need to contact either Mrs Leyland or myself when the school office is closed with a test result, please do not hesitate to on –

Mrs Leyland: SLeyland@thevaleprimary.org

Mrs Browne: CBrowne@thevaleprimary.org

It is also possible now for any adults to obtain either through the pharmacies or by ordering online the Lateral Flow Device test that can be completed twice a week to give families peace of mind.



31.05.21 – 04.06.21	HALF TERM	
21.06.21 – 25.06.21	Y6 Fun Week	
24.06.21	New Reception Children Visit Group 1	9.30-11.30
24.06.21	PTA School Disco	
25.06.21	INSET	
29.06.21	Transition Day to new classes and New to Reception Group 2	
1.07.21	New Reception Children Visit Group 3	9.30-11.30
3.07.21	PTA Summer Fair	
6.07.21	New Reception Children Visit Group 4	
7.07.21	Sports Day (Arrangements TBA as to whether we can do together with parents)	
7.07.21	Open Afternoon	3.30 -4.30
8.07.21	New Reception Children Visit All Groups	
14.7.21	Year 5/6 Production	
15.7.21	Year 6 Party	4.30-6.30
16.7.21	Year 6 Leavers Assembly	9-10am
16.07.21	Term ends	
19.07.21 – 21.07.21	INSET	

FACEBOOK PAGE/TWITTER

Thank you for following and liking our Facebook Page and Twitter feed. We continue to post/tweet and review and monitor frequently. We want to share and celebrate as much as we can and keep it as current as possible. Search for 'The Vale Primary School' and our icon is our woodpecker logo, with a white background or @thevaleprimary. Our Twitter account is @ValePrimarySch. **If you are able to share any of our posts so they reach a wider audience we would be very grateful. It is a really important way of marketing our school.**

DATES

(New dates highlighted in blue) PTA dates in green
All of the dates in purple are for guidance only and are still to be confirmed. They are provisional at the moment based on restrictions being relaxed.

Please note some changes to dates due to Surrey Transition dates e.g. Sports Day.

3.05.21	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED	
5.05.21	Family Forum Zoom Meeting	2.00pm
19.05.21	WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK	
27.05.21	New to Reception Parents Meeting (Face to Face or Virtual TBA)	2-3pm

Have a good weekend and stay safe.
Cathy Browne and Sarah Leyland
Co-Headteachers

