



The Valley Primary School Newsletter



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+Friday 2nd February 2024.

Our Weekly Winners!

Here are the names of our shiny stars, crowned winners in our celebration assembly over the last two weeks. Well done to you all

Stars of the Week



Class 1: Ted and Verity.
Class 2: Lydia, Henry and Matthew.
Class 3: Gilly and Theo.



Our Dojo Champions are:

Class 1: Ted and Violet.
Class 2: Wilf and Joel J.
Class 3: Arthur and Edith.



Our Dojo Runners Up are:

Class 1: Selby and Phoebe.
Class 2: Henry and Mason.
Class 3: Noah and Scarlett.



Head teacher Award:
Henry and Amelia.



Lunchtime Award:
Selby, Archie, Matthew and Joel G.





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Attendance.

Geraldine the Giraffe is always looking for a classroom to rest in. As an incentive towards our attendance in school, the class who has the highest percentage fortnightly will have Geraldine spend two weeks with them.

Our winning class this week is Class 1 - well done!

Lateness.

Please may we remind you that our school day begins at 8.45am when the doors open to children. They remain open until 9.00am. Children should arrive at school between these times, to ensure that they are marked present and do not incur 'late' marks. Lateness is recorded on children's attendance and it is important that they are on time.



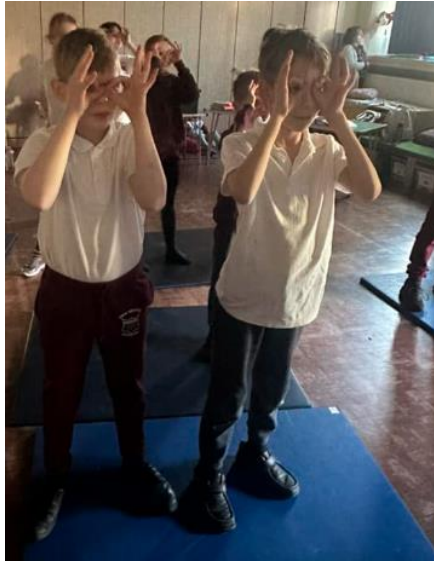
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Well-Being Morning Friday 26th January 2024.

Last week, we took part in a well-being morning, where the children worked in their teams on activities that made them reflect and be mindful. After break, we then took part in a Harry Potter yoga session - the children were very good at showing the different poses and worked together beautifully.



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Valentine's Craft Afternoon – Monday 5th February 2024.

On Monday 5th February 2024 between 3.30pm and 5pm, we would like to invite our families into school to create some wonderful Valentine's craft. Whether you would like to make a Valentine's Card for someone special or create some love heart inspired artwork, we would **love** to see you.



Academy Photography – Friday 9th February 2024.

Next Friday, we will welcome Academy Photography into school. They will be taking class photographs, as well as Head Boy/Girl shots and sporting teams. Please, as always, come to school, looking smart.



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Y2 Multi-Skills

Our Year 2 children enjoyed an afternoon at The Cheadle Academy last Thursday, taking part in a multi skills event. They practised agility, coordination and balance through various athletic activities. The children had a wonderful time and their superb listening and student leaders acknowledged positive attitude towards all activities. Well done girls!



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Y5/6 Netball Tournament.



WINNERS!

This week we joined with our friends at Dilhorne to take part in the B league netball tournament at the Cheadle Leisure Centre. Eight local schools took part and we won 4 out of our 7 games leaving us in joint 1st place.

The girls played brilliantly, representing the school in style. We are incredibly proud! Well done netballers!

PTFA Update – AGM.

On Wednesday 31st January 2024, the PTFA came together and planned a number (please see the diary dates) of exciting events for our children over the rest of the academic year!

As part of the meeting, we also staged an AGM, where we voted in new members of our group. Here are the results:

- *Chair – Jennifer Bedford (Hettie's mum)
- *Vice Chair – Sophie Climpson (Lola's mum)
- *Treasurer/Secretary – Sue Hurley (Joel J's nan).





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Congratulations to you all and we are very appreciative of the hard work that you continue to provide in order to give our children some wonderful opportunities. We are in the process of pricing iPads and will purchase these very soon. As always, if you would like to help out in any way, please speak to a member of the PTFA who would be delighted to speak with you and see what you could offer.

Measles Update.

You may have heard on the news or in social media, the number of Measles cases is rising. Currently numbers in Birmingham are very high, numbers in Stoke-on-Trent rising, which may indicate the infection is heading our way in the Staffordshire Moorlands.

The common symptoms are: very high temperature, a runny or blocked nose, sneezing, a cough, red, sore, watery eyes and small white spots inside the mouth on the cheeks and lips.

Children are infectious at this point and a later when the common 'rash' symptom appears on the face and body. For more details please see the link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>

Children should not attend school once the symptoms are evident and should not return to school for at least four days after the rash has appeared. If you believe your child to have Measles, we ask please that you contact the school office by telephone and inform us that your child has the symptoms listed above.

Many thanks.



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Diary Dates

Spring 1.

- 05.02.24 – Valentine's Craft Evening 3.30pm – 5pm.
- 06.02.24 – Safer Internet Day.
- 09.02.24 – Academy Photography – Class Photos, Head Boy, Head Girl and Sports Teams.
- 09.02.24 – Launch of Science Reading Challenge.
- 09.02.24 – Break up for half term.

Spring 2.

- 19.02.24 – Return to school.
- 20.02.24 – Mini Medics Y1-3.
- 21.02.24 – Mini Medics Y4-6.
- 21.02.24 – Y6 Maths Quiz at The Cheadle Academy.
- 23.02.24 – 2.15pm (Stoke's Gotta Sing) Rehearsal at Greatwood.
- 05.03.24 – Cross Country Relay @ Oakmoor Cricket Ground.
- 05.03.24 – PTFA Special Person Event 3.30pm-5pm.
- 06.03.24 – CADSSA Gymnastics Festival @ Uttoxeter Gym Centre.
- 06.03.24 – Teddy Bear's Hospital – Nursery – Year 2.
- 07.03.24 – World Book Day.
- 07.03.24 – Stoke's Gotta Sing – Selected choir members.
- 11.03.24 – British Science Week.
- 12.03.24 – Cross Country League @ Oakmoor Cricket Ground.
- 13.03.24 – Teddy Bear's Hospital –Year 3 – Year 6.
- 14.03.24 – The Valley Science Day.
- 15.03.24 – PLT Dance Festival @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 15.03.24 – Comic Relief.
- 15.03.24 – Reports Sent Out.
- 18.03.24 – Language Day.
- 19.03.24 – Cross Country League @ Oakmoor Cricket Ground.
- 20.03.24 – CADSSA Y5/6 Football Tournament.
- 21.03.24 – PTFA Easter Egg/Bonnet Parade 2.30pm.
- 21.03.24 – Year 5 Bikeability.
- 22.03.24 – Easter Egg Hunt.
- 22.03.24 – Easter Service (parents welcome).
- 22.03.24 – Break up for Easter.

Summer 1

- 12.04.24 – PTFA Spring Disco.
- 16.04.24 – Archery and Speed Stacking Event @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 17.04.24 – Y5/6 Football Tournament.
- 18.04.24 – Y2, Y5 and Y6 NSPCC Workshops.
- 24.04.24 – Y3/4 Football Tournament.
- 02.05.24 – Class 2 Trip to National Justice Museum, Nottingham.
- 13.05.24 – Year 6 SATs Week.
- 22.05.24 – Y5 Maths Quiz.
- 14.06.24 – Euro's Football Tournament.



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Diary Dates continued:

- 20.06.24 – Sports Award Evening.
- 21.06.24 – Y6 Sports Transition.
- 24.04.24 – Y3/4 Swimming Gala.
- 01.05.24 – Y3/4 Tag Rugby at St Werburgh's.
- 03.05.24 – Non-uniform – Chocolate Donations.
- 10.05.24 – Non-uniform – Chocolate Donations.
- 09.05.24/16.05.24/23.05.24 – Girls League Football.
- 17.05.24 – PTFA Chocolate Bingo.
- 17.05.24 – Y5/6 Tag Rugby at St Werburgh's.

Summer 2

- 10.06.24 – PTFA Special Person Event 3.30pm-5pm.
- 12.06.24 – Y3/4 Cricket Tournament at Oakmoor Cricket Ground.
- 19.06.24 – Y5/6 Cricket Tournament at Oakmoor Cricket Ground.
- 20.06.24 – Rounders Tournament.
- 22.06.24 – PTFA Summer Fayre 2pm-4pm.
- 03.07.24 – CADSSA Athletics Event at Northwood Stadium.
- 06.07.24 – Cheadle Carnival – The Valley will have a stall.
- 08.07.24 – Dress Rehearsal for end of year production.
- 10.07.24 – End of Year Production ****Provisional Date****
- 12.07.24 – Sports Day ****Provisional Date****
- 19.07.24 – Y6 Leaver's Assembly.
- 19.07.24 – Year 6 Leaver's Evening at Oakmoor Cricket Ground.