

**Newsletter: 11/11/2016**

## Behaviour

Children who demonstrate an acceptable standard are awarded bands. To be awarded a band the children would have to be in the right place, at the right time and doing the right thing.

This week **205** children have been GREEN all week.

Big Bears	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
0/30	1/28	0/31	0/28	1/29	0/29	0/30

**WELL DONE!**

### Attendance and Lates

95.8% and 4 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 94.7%

Big Bears  
98.3% 0 lates

Year 1  
93.2% 2 lates

Year 2  
91.0% 0 lates

Year 3  
94.4% 0 lates

Year 4  
99.6% 0 lates

Year 5  
96.6% 2 lates

Year 6  
97.4% 0 lates

### Star Pupils

**Big Bears:** Zach Brown

**Year 1:** Billy Seed

**Year 2:** Harry Schofield

**Year 3:** Lillie Dow

**Year 4:** Jamie Stephens

**Year 5:** Ellie Titley

**Year 6:** Maisie G Whiteley

**Well Done!**

### Up and Coming Key Dates

14-16/11/16	Robinwood Residential
16/11/16	Parents' Evening (Not Y6)
18/11/16	Onesie/PJ Day
23/11/16	Parents Evening (Y6)
2/12/16	Pantomime
14/12/16	Christmas Lunch
	Christmas Jumper Day
15/12/16	School closes
16/12/16	Training Day

As I am sure you will be aware, Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November is **Children In Need** and we write to you to let you know what we are doing to support this event.

We ask that children come in a onesie or in pyjamas, and bring a contribution to the cause.

Please ensure that the children still bring suitable footwear and coats for breaktime.

TWITTER – TheValePrimary @Vale\_Primary

WEBSITE – www.thevpacademy.org.uk

In Foundation Stage this week we have been learning about different festivals around the world and discussing how they are similar to the events that we celebrate. In literacy we have been creating shape poems based on our shared story 'Penguin Small'. We then acted out the story as a class, great team work! Jackson has been using our interactive maths display to combine two numbers to find the total. Well done to our shining star, Zach Brown!



I thought I would be greedy this week and take this chance to say goodbye. Like most teachers I wanted to make a difference when I started teaching. Little did I know what a difference you would make to me! Thank you for all the years of support and "going with it" through alien landings, scarecrow weddings, trashed tiger's tea parties and beached whales in the playground! To all the children I have taught in athletics club, dance club and in my class, I leave you in the most capable of hands and will watch on as you have many more years of amazing times to come.

For our topic: 'The Great Fire of London', this week in Year 2 we have been learning how to write a diary entry. We have found adjectives in diary writing and have used them to make our own writing more interesting for the reader. Our maths work has focussed on working out numbers that together make 100 – we can use a 100 square to help us count on in tens and ones.



This week in Year 3 we have been continuing our topic on Crime and Punishment. We have moved on from the Romans and have discovered how victims of crimes in Anglo Saxon times were paid 'Wergild' by the guilty attackers. This was an amount of money decided by law. For example, if you somebody broke your tooth you would be paid 1 old shilling, for chopping off a foot you would pay the victim 50 old shillings.

This week, Year 4 have been learning how to calculate area and perimeter in maths. In our topic work, we have been experimenting with electrical circuits. We found out that a circuit needs to be complete in order to work.



This week Year 5 have been showing me what stars they are. We are looking at bullying as it is anti-bullying week. They are so mature when it comes to identifying issues and how they can help others. I'm hoping from now on they will be able to resolve issues they come across in the playground. As always we celebrate all of our achievements inside and outside the classroom. I could not be prouder to be their class teacher.



Year 6 have been so busy this week. We've been learning how to use adverbial phrases and modal verbs to improve our writing whilst writing stories about gargoyles. In numeracy we have been learning to simplify, order and compare fractions, we've realised how important our times tables are and that we need to know them inside out and back to front!



### Safeguarding – e-safety

Please take time to look at these useful links to help keep your child safe online

<http://ceop.police.uk/>

<http://www.childnet.com/>

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/>

Anti-extremism and radicalisation website -

<http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<http://www.netsmart.org/Safety/SafetyTips>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe>

<http://www.educateagainsthate.com>

Thank you for your continued feedback. As The Vale Primary Academy strives to ensure achievement for all: working in partnership with our families to enable learners to develop emotionally, socially and academically within a safe and secure environment. Mr Yeomans holds regular Parent Voice meetings. Staff are available to answer questions or queries and Mr Yeomans is usually on the yard before and after school. Please feel free to come and speak to us.