

**Newsletter: 27/01/2017**

## Behaviour

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

This week **199** children have been GREEN all week.

Big Bears	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
30/30	27/29	29/31	26/28	31/31	26/29	30/30

**WELL DONE!**

### Attendance and Lates

96.3% and 12 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 94.8%

Big Bears  
98.2% 0 lates

Year 1  
97.7% 5 lates

Year 2  
95.0% 1 late

Year 3  
95.2% 1 late

Year 4  
97.2% 1 late

Year 5  
99.2% 3 lates

Year 6  
91.9% 1 late

### Star Pupils

**Big Bears:** Lexi Mae Ainley

**Year 1:** Archie Clough

**Year 2:** Roshni Shefta

**Year 3:** Zach Pascua

**Year 4:** Grace Smales

**Year 5:** Nicolle Cutts

**Year 6:** Lewis Greaves

**Well Done!**

### Up and Coming Key Dates

30.01.17	Anti-Bullying Week
01.02.17	3.20 SATS Meeting for Y6
02.02.17	12.30 Writing Club (each Thurs)
02.02.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
07.02.17	3.30-4.00 Open Classroom
10.02.17	School Closes
20.02.17	School Re-opens
20.02.17	Phonics Learning Workshop FU
27.02.17	E-Safety week
01.03.17	3.00-4.00 Open Classroom
02.03.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
06.03.17	Reading Learning Workshop FU
09.03.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
16.03.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
20.03.17	Maths Learning Workshop FU
23.03.17	3.30-4.00 Open Classroom
23.03.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
27.03.17	British Values Week
03.04.17	Handwriting Learning Workshop FU

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### Absence from School

Please inform the school office before 9.00am on each morning of your child's absence, to avoid a visit from the Education Welfare Officer.

This week Mrs Carley has been making cheese on toast for our dinosaur café, she helped us to stay safe when using the toaster. Our older children have been using their phonics knowledge to make signs for our classroom, very impressive work! Big Bears have been using addition calculations to solve problems too, some of us have been using cubes or objects to help and others have been working it out in their heads! Mrs Skelding was amazed! 😊



Year 1 have continued to explore the North Pole. We have been thinking about how animals adapt to living there, looking at camouflage and how the blubber keeps a polar bear warm. We did this by covering one hand in lard, then putting both hands in icy water to feel how the fat insulates against the cold! In maths we have been concentrating on number bonds to 10 and 20 and trying to develop speed of recall. In English we have been adding the suffixes -er and -est to adjectives. The children have worked really hard all week. Well done!

Year 2 had a visit from Road Safety this week. We learnt a lot about safe places to cross the road and people who can help us cross the road safely. In maths we have looked at estimation and used it to solve lots of problems. Literacy has seen us improving our persuasive techniques to add to our letters to Mr Yeomans.



Year 3 continue to be taught by Mr Hope. In Maths we have been looking at multiplication with 2 digit numbers between 10-20. All the children worked very well. In Literacy we looked at a 'Jungle Book' image and described it using adjectives, adverbs, verbs and conjunctions. In topic we designed and made our own chocolate factory.



Year 4 have been learning all about time this week. We have been learning to convert time and to read and write analogue and 24 hour digital time. Tricky! Why not test us on some of the clocks at home? Apologies for the cancellation of our assembly – this will hopefully be back on next week.



Year 5 are making massive progress in their ukulele lesson on a Wednesday afternoon. Mr Hill, the music teacher, has been impressed with their enthusiasm and knowledge of music. I must admit, I'm enjoying it too.

For English in Year 6 this week we have been writing about the Castaway scene, we have described the plane crash and the island where it takes place. In Maths we have been converting different measurements, such as centimetres and metres, gallons and pints and miles and kilometres. In Art we drew the Castaway Island with oil pastels.



### 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/>

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

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

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

<http://www.educateagainsthate.com>

Anti-extremism and radicalisation website -

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.