

Newsletter: 03/02/2017

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 **196** children have been GREEN all week.

Big Bears	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
30/30	28/29	30/31	25/28	29/31	26/29	28/30

WELL DONE!

Attendance and Lates

94.9% and 17 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 94.8%

Big Bears
85.3% 0 lates

Year 1
90.8% 9 lates

Year 2
95.4% 0 lates

Year 3
99.5% 2 lates

Year 4
97.7% 2 lates

Year 5
99.0% 2 lates

Year 6
96.2% 2 lates

Star Pupils

Big Bears: Patryk Baluta

Year 1: Ayla Burden

Year 2: Vinnie Kiernan

Year 3: Mollie Chapman

Year 4: Chloe Smith

Year 5: Morgan Curtis

Year 6: Billy Wells

Well
Done!

Up and Coming Key Dates

07.02.17	3.30-4.00 Open Classroom
09.02.17	3.00pm Parent Voice
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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NON UNIFORM DAY A local church helps to support poor families in Kenya by raising money to buy them a cow – this helps in many ways. They can drink the milk and sell any spare milk to get money for food and school fees. On Friday 10th February we are going to have a non-uniform day and bring a donation to put towards a cow. Thank you in advance of your support.

Kung Hei Fat Choi from the Foundation Stage!

It is the Chinese New Year and we have been looking at the similarities and differences in the festivals that we celebrate. We have been cooking and tasting some Chinese cuisine. It was delicious! It has been anti-bullying week and we have been thinking of ways to be a good friend. We read *The Rainbow Fish* for inspiration.



In Year 1 in maths we have continued to work on our number bonds to 10 and 20, but looking at the related subtraction facts to make a fact family. With a focus on bullying this week, we have started to look at the features of report writing and using capital letters for names of people and places. We have had lots of discussions around bullying; what it means, how it makes us feel and what we should do about it if it happens to us or one of our friends. The children enjoyed doing some drama work around this too.

We are focussing on Anti-bullying this week and in Year 2 we have done lots of great activities to help us to be good friends. In English we have written a report all about bullying and worked really hard using subtitles to separate our information. We have created a beautiful display looking at what is 'rude' 'mean' 'bullying' or 'kind' behaviour. Every child helped come up with ideas and these are all up on the wall to remind us. In PE we tried some fun team building games to help us work together and listen to each other. It really has been a busy week. In maths we have started looking at arrays and we are all doing a great job with them! Well done Year 2!!

This week in Year 3 we have been looking at measurement and the perimeter of shapes. In English we have been writing instructions for how to make toast and a ham and cheese sandwich. It has also been anti-bullying week. We have created a poster and acted out some good and bad scenarios.

This week, Year 4 have embraced the anti-bullying theme! We have done some drama, group discussions, made comic strips and an anti-bullying poster.



Wow! What a week we've had in Year 5. We have flipped the week around and as a class decided to call it kindness week. We've looked at how we can perform acts of kindness to make other people feel happy. This week I've also introduced a mental maths club on a Thursday lunchtime, where we have made learning fun looking at Maths games to help us.

Year 6 have really enjoyed Anti-Bullying week this week. We have been debating what bullying actually is, then we came up with a definition of bullying and made leaflets. On Tuesday we watched some videos on anti-bullying and got ideas for making our own. The rest of the week we have been writing scripts, practicing our acting and filming them. We definitely have some budding actors! I would also like to thank all the parents who came to the SAT's meeting for their children.



Safeguarding

At The Vale Primary Academy, the welfare of all our pupils is of great importance to us and we hope that parents are confident about their children's health and safety whilst in our academy. We will always try to share any concerns we have with parents. However, there are times when we are legally obliged to share our concerns with other agencies, without first speaking to parents, or without the consent of parents. The safety and protection of our pupils is our most important concern and we wish to reassure you that any sharing of information is done with the children's best interest at heart. If you have any concerns about the welfare or safety of any child in our school you should contact Mr Yeomans. In addition, Mrs Burnell, our Safeguarding Co-ordinator, can be contacted through the school office. The academy has a duty to inform parents that there is a prohibition on reporting or publishing details (including on social media) that could identify anyone who is subject to an allegation.