

Newsletter: 10/02/2017

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

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

Attendance and Lates

96.5% and 13 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 94.8%

Big Bears
91.3% 0 lates

Year 1
94.0% 7 lates

Year 2
95.7% 1 late

Year 3
100% 1 late

Year 4
98.2% 1 late

Year 5
97.7% 3 lates

Year 6
98.6% 0 lates

Star Pupils

Big Bears: Aimee Smith

Year 1: Hollie Pickard

Year 2: Noah Slater

Year 3: Lexie Jewitt

Year 4: Ellie Grice

Year 5: Ella Shackleton

Year 6: Josh Parr

Well Done!

Up and Coming Key Dates

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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WEBSITE – www.thevpacademy.org.uk

World Book Day this year is Thursday 2nd March. So, on this day we will be doing lots of fun reading activities as well as a sponsored read. We will also be dressing up as book characters. More details to follow after the half term

Non Uniform Day We have raised £237 to help buy a cow for a village in Kenya.

All you need is love... Love is in the air in the Foundation Stage this week, we have been talking about the people who are special to us. **Happy Valentines Day!**

We have been thinking about recycling and we have been busy preparing the structure for our greenhouse, thank you for the plastic bottles! Big Bears have been working hard on their sentence writing, remembering capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

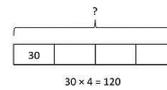
In Year 1 this week we have been exploring the properties of materials by carrying out some exciting experiments to investigate floating and sinking properties as well as waterproofness of materials. The children have used the information gathered to build a small canoe to keep a small toy dry. In maths we have been developing our understanding of the place value of numbers and in English we have been focussing on making capital letters bigger than the lower case letters and improving our presentation.



Thank you to all parents who took the time to come to the open classroom on Tuesday.

This week in Year 2 we have been looking at paintings inspired by the Arctic artist Ted Harrison. We have carefully designed and painted our own picture in his style. The end results are fantastic! In English we have been looking at how adverbs can be used to improve our writing. Maths has been very tricky this week looking at division through arrays but we have persisted and cracked it! Great last week Year 2, enjoy your half term break

In Year 3 in Maths we have had a great week looking at division and multiplication and using the bar method to help us.



In English we have been working some more on instructions; this week has been how to make a hot chocolate.

Year 4 have had a very exciting week! We had to search the classroom to find 'Golden Tickets' which led us to a 'Chocoholics' Buffet' complete with chocolate fountain and much more! Also, thank you to parents for attending our assembly.



Year 5 have begun their African Adventure in true Bear Grylls style. I'm A Celebrity, Get Me Out Of Here is nothing compared to Year 5 eating crickets and meal worms. We made our buns using jelly bugs but then topped them with real, edible insects. I'm so proud of their "have a go attitude".

Year 6 have been showcasing their wonderfully gruesome imaginations this week in literacy, as they have been writing recipes and instructions for a revolting recipe book... They have made for very interesting reading - not for the faint hearted! In numeracy we have been learning all about angles and solving some pretty challenging problems. We have also been putting the finishing touches to our Anti-bullying films, which some parents saw during open classroom on Tuesday.



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.netsmartz.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.