

Newsletter: 10/03/2017

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

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

Attendance and Lates

95.1% and 9 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 95.0%

Big Bears
97.9% 0 lates

Year 1
91.3% 4 lates

Year 2
97.1% 1 late

Year 3
95.2% 2 lates

Year 4
93.7% 1 late

Year 5
93.2% 1 late

Year 6
96.7% 0 lates

Star Pupils

Big Bears: Finley Lunt

Year 1: Jasmine Foster

Year 2: Lucy Coffield

Year 3: Lennon Keetley

Year 4: Talia Lodge

Year 5: Lily-Mae Lister

Year 6: Neve McDonald

Well Done!

Up and Coming Key Dates

16.03.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
16.03.17	3.30-4.15 Running Club
20.03.17	Maths Learning Workshop FU
21.03.17	Cookery Club
22.03.17	Rugby Club
23.03.17	3.30-4.00 Open Classroom
23.03.17	3.30-4.15 Musical Theatre Group
23.03.17	3.30-4.15 Running Club
27.03.17	British Values Week
28.03.17	Cookery Club
29.03.17	Rugby Club
30.03.17	3.30-4.15 Running Club
03.04.17	Handwriting Learning Workshop FU
05.04.17	Rugby Club
07.04.17	School Closes
24.04.17	School Re-opens

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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.

Thank you for all of your recycling help last half-term, we have collected enough plastic bottles to begin building our greenhouse. Children have been helping with the big build and are excitedly planning what they will be growing inside! Big Bears have been learning about the properties of 3D shapes, junk modelling materials have been helping us to understand the shapes of everyday objects.

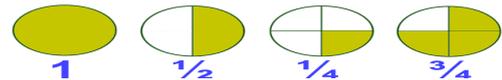
This week we have been learning about the Antarctic explorer Ernest Shackleton. He wanted to be the first man to reach the South Pole. We found out his first attempt failed due to illness, and then someone else beat him to it. So, he set a new dream - to cross Antarctica by going through the South Pole. He became a hero from that expedition by surviving and rescuing all his crew who were stranded for almost 2 years after the ship became stuck in ice. The photo shows us sorting facts about his life. We have also been learning how to write character profiles and we have been practicing our adding skills.



This week in Year 2 we have been learning all about Ernest Shackleton and his exciting adventures. We have started doing some observational drawings of the Endurance and have mapped out the school field ready for our very own adventure. In English we have created our own adventures 'We're Going on a Polar Bear Hunt' which have been fantastic to read. In Maths we are learning all about time. What a busy week!



This week has been fantastic for the children in Year 3, they have not only been taught by Mr Hope but Mr Lorgat and Mr Hattersley as well. In maths we have been looking at fractions and all the children have worked very hard. In English we have been looking at recounts and writing about our weekend. The afternoons have been practical with fun activities.



Year 4 have been learning about translating shapes in Maths. We have also been writing playscripts in literacy. Who knows, they may be on the West End some day! In science, we conducted an experiment with chocolate to see what happens when it is heated.

In Year 5 this week in Maths we have been adding, subtracting and multiplying mixed number and improper fractions. In English we have been using different techniques to create atmosphere in 'African Adventure Stories'. In topic we have been doing our own research on Africa.



Year 6 have been working hard this week on our numeracy, we have been tackling fractions from every angle - adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. We even came up with some really easy ways to solve problems. In literacy we have been finishing off our Alex Rider Diary entries. In topic we have had E-Safety week (a week late) which we have really enjoyed. In PE we have loved playing rugby.

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.