

Newsletter: 24/03/2017

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

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

Attendance and Lates

96.9% and 7 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 95.1%

Big Bears
98.5% 0 lates

Year 1
93.8% 5 lates

Year 2
95.6% 0 lates

Year 3
95.0% 1 late

Year 4
100% 1 late

Year 5
94.7% 0 lates

Year 6
100% 0 lates

Star Pupils

Big Bears: Tegan Want
Year 1: Charlene Tennant
Year 2: Alissa Bowers
Year 3: Ethan Brown
Year 4: Chloe Smith
Year 5: Lilly Davey
Year 6: Jack Harvey

Well Done!

Up and Coming Key Dates

27.03.17 British Values Week
29.03.17 3.30 Phonics for Year 1 (Date change)
 29.03.17 3.15-4.15 Rugby Club
29.03.17 Cookery Club (Date change)
 30.03.17 9.30am Parents Assembly Year 5
 30.03.17 3.30-4.15 Running Club
 03.04.17 Handwriting Learning Workshop FU
 05.04.17 3.15-4.15 Rugby Club
 07.04.17 School Closes
 24.04.17 School Re-opens

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COMIC RELIEF

We have raised **£231.41** for Comic Relief

We have been busy bees in the Foundation unit this week. Little Bears have been using Numicon to complete number challenges and make Numicon shaped bread. It was delicious! Big Bears have been doing lots of activities based on the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk', they are growing their own beanstalks and writing bean diaries. We are seeing some fantastic sentence writing. Keep up the good work!

This week in Year 1 we have been looking at instructions; the features, how they are set out, and the use of 'bossy verbs'. In Maths we have been practicing our measuring skills and learning how to rotate shapes through half and quarter turns. We have started our DT project of making a model with a winding mechanism by exploring how to make a winding mechanism with a yogurt pot, pencil and string. The children were great at working this out for themselves!



This week in Year 2 we have had fun creating our collage flags ready for our exciting expedition next week. We have started reading a fun book about 'Bear Grylls and Olly', who go on an expedition to the South Pole. In Maths we have taken part in a shape experiment and in English we have written diary entries from Baby Bear.

Unfortunately, for Year 3 this is the last week for our student teachers, Mr Hattersley and Mr Lorgat, before they go back to university. We wish them the best in their future careers and thank them for their hard work. In Maths we have been looking at calendars and days in months. We really enjoyed problem solving questions this week. In English we have been looking at reports and describing a police report. Our afternoons have consisted of science experiments and geography work.

Year 4 have had a very interesting week! We braved the rain to walk to De Lacy Academy to watch a Year 11 community performance. We saw singing, musicians, dancing and drama. We were also very lucky to have some visitors from Leeds University to teach us about some different cultures. We learnt about Mexico, Japan, China and Romania. We particularly enjoyed the jelly bean chopstick challenge!

Year 5 are designing their own animal hand puppets to accompany the Children's stories they are currently writing in Literacy. I think you'll agree they are doing a fantastic job.



In Literacy this week in Year 6 we have been writing the biography of Charles Darwin. He lived a pretty impressive life, travelling all around the world. We're not sure we'd like to be away from home for 5 years though! In Numeracy we have been looking at data all week, this has been challenging but we have worked really hard! In PE we did some wrestling which we absolutely loved! And in Art we have been doing pencil drawings of Charles Darwin and the ship he travelled the world on - the HMS Beagle.

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.