



The Valley Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 10th January 2025.

A very happy new year from us all at The Valley. We are very much looking forward to the upcoming spring term!

Our Weekly Winners!

Here are the names of our shiny stars, crowned winners in our celebration assembly this week. Well done to you all!

Stars of the Week



Class 1: Jaxon.
Class 2: Orla.
Class 3: Barnaby.



Our Dojo Champions are:



Class 1: Eliza.
Class 2: Violet.
Class 3: Theo.



Our Dojo Runners Up are:



Class 1: Verity.
Class 2: Lydia.
Class 3: Athur.



Head teacher Award:



Reuben.



Lunchtime Award:
Edi.





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Lateness.

Please may we remind you that our school day begins at 8.45am when the doors open to children. They remain open until 9.00am. Children should arrive at school between these times, to ensure that they are marked present and do not incur 'late' marks. Lateness is recorded on children's attendance and it is important that they are on time.

Keeping in touch.

If you have any questions or queries you can contact the class teacher directly using our class email address, we will aim to respond during school working hours; our class email addresses are:

valleyclass1@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

valleyclass2@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

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Census Day Menu.



Please join us on Thursday 16th January for our special Census Day menu made by our wonderful cook Kat.



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Cold Weather.

As we continue to be affected by the cold weather, we wanted to inform you that we will always ensure there is a gritted path from both gates up to the main door. May we remind children to come into school wearing suitable coats, gloves etc and suitable shoes to change into in the event of further snow. Many thanks for your support.

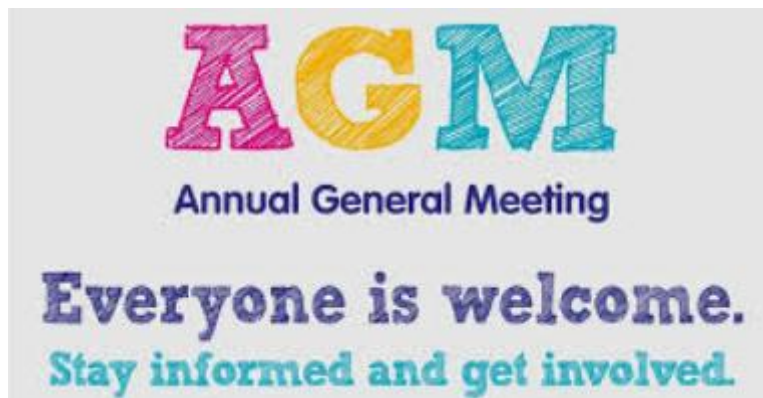


PTFA AGM Meeting.

We are delighted to invite you to the upcoming **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** of the **Parent, Teacher, and Friends Association (PTFA)** on Wednesday 29th January 2025, 3.30pm at school.

The AGM is an important event where we will review the activities of the past year, discuss upcoming projects, and elect new members to the PTFA committee. It is an excellent opportunity to get involved, contribute ideas, and stay informed about the exciting initiatives supporting our school.

We would love to see as many of you as possible attending, whether you're a current member or interested in getting more involved. Your support makes a huge difference to the success of our PTFA and the experiences of our children at school.





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Staffordshire Primary Admissions.

Please share that admissions for primary school starting closes on January 15th.
Please share and the link below:

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/.../Apply/Overview.aspx>

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'The Valley Primary School is welcoming and inclusive. All pupils are highly valued and well cared for.'
(Ofsted 2024).



*We believe that our strongest asset about our lovely school is our **wonderful** pupils. The children generate a **happy and warm** atmosphere which makes learning fun.

*Our stunning, rural location of **Oakamoor** complements our onsite **Forest School**.

*We have **small class sizes**, allowing learning to be tailored to individual needs.

***The curriculum is planned to support learning for pupils within mixed-age classes. This is further enhanced with broader experiences and opportunities for all pupils.** (Ofsted 2024).





"I love being part of The Valley, we are all part of a family" - Theo.



"All our staff are kind and helpful." Lydia.

Learn to Love, Love to Learn.

If you are looking for a Reception place for September 2025, we would love to welcome you to our caring school,

please contact us.




Behaviour and Attitudes - Outstanding (Ofsted, 2024).
'Behaviour across school is exemplary. Pupils are courteous and show exceptional manners.'

Personal Development - Outstanding (Ofsted, 2024).
'Pupils' personal development is exemplary. They are given a range of responsibilities, including being members of the eco council and playground monitors.'



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Parent's Open Evening Wednesday 22nd January 2025.

This term, we will be offering an open parents' evening where we will give you the opportunity to view and celebrate your children's work.

This will take place on:

Wednesday 22nd January – 3.30pm until 5pm.

There is no need to make an appointment, and you are free to visit school at a time convenient to you between 3.30pm and 5pm. The teaching staff will be available to talk to you in Class 3, should you require this. Wrap around will continue in Class 2 and Mark's multi-skills club will continue on this night.

Please be reminded that we have an open-door policy. If you are unavailable on the above date, please contact the school office. You are more than welcome to view your children's amazing work at a time more suited to you.





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Diary Dates

Spring Term 1

January

- 15.01.25 – Young Voices in Birmingham – Choir Event.
- 22.01.25 – Parent's Open Evening 3.30-5pm.
- 23.01.25 – Y5/6 A League Netball.
- 27.01.25 – Computing Day.
- 28.01.25 – Year 1/2 Multi-Skills @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 29.01.25 – PTFA AGM Meeting 3.30pm.
- 30.01.25 – Y5/6 A League Netball.

February

- 05.02.25 – NSPCC Number Day – TT Rockstars/Number blocks Dress Up.
- 06.02.25 – Y5/6 A League Netball.
- 07.02.25 – Academy Photography.
- 10.02.25 – Y3/4 Swimming Gala – TBC
- 14.02.25 – Launch Wider Curriculum Reading Challenge (Humanities).
- 14.02.25 – Break up for half term.

Spring 2

April

- 24.02.25 – Inset Day
- 25.02.25 – Children back in school.
- 25.02.25 – City 7's Assembly.
- 27.02.25 – Y3/4 Netball Development

March

- 04.03.25 – Year 5/6 Cross Country.
- 06.03.25 – World Book Day.
- 10.03.25 – British Science Week.
- 11.03.25 – Year 5/6 Cross Country.
- 12.03.25 – Y3-6 Gymnastics Competition @ Uttoxeter Gym Centre.
- 13.03.25 – KS2 Dance Festival @ Cheadle Academy.
- 14.03.25 – Comic Relief.
- 14.03.25 – Reports sent out.
- 19.03.25 – Y5/6 Football Tournament.
- 26.03.25 – Y3/4 Football Tournament.
- 27.03.25 – Y5 Maths Quiz.

April

- 09.04.25 – Easter Bonnet/Egg Parade.
- 11.04.25 – Archery @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 11.04.25 – 9.30am Easter Service in church - all parents welcome.
- 11.04.25 – Break up for Easter.



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May

- 01.05.25 – Y5/6 A League Football.
- 05.05.25 – May Bank Holiday – School Closed.
- 07.05.25 – Y3/4 Rugby Tournament.
- 08.05.25 – Y5/6 Girls A League Football.
- 12.05.25 – 15.05.25 – Y6 SATS Week.
- 15.05.25 – Y5/6 Girls A League Football.
- 16.05.25 – Y5/6 Rugby Tournament.
- 19.05.25 – Y6 Residential Parent's Meeting 3.30pm.
- 23.05.25 – School closes for May half term.

June

- 02.06.25 – School opens to pupils.
- 04.06.25 – Y3/4 Cricket.
- 10.06.25 – Y5/6 Cricket
- 11.06.25 – Y6 Solos and Duos Event @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 13.06.25 – Y6 Sports Transition Day @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 16.06.25 – 20.06.25 – Y6 Residential.
- 26.06.25 – Y5/6 Rounders.
- 27.06.25 – Rugby Event @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 30.06.25 – Academy Photography – Leaver's Photographs.

July

- 01.07.25 – KS2 Athletics Event @ Northwood Stadium.
- 01.07.25 – Sports Awards Evening – by invitation only.
- 11.07.25 – Sports Day ****provisional date****.
- 16.07.25 – End of Year Production 2pm and 6pm.
- 18.07.25 – Last day of the 2024-2025 academic year.