



The Valley Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 8th November 2024.

Welcome back to our final part of the Autumn Term.

Our Weekly Winners!

Here are the names of our shiny stars, crowned winners in our celebration assembly before the half term break. Well done to you all!

Stars of the Week



Class 1: Aura.
Class 2: Joel.
Class 3: Ollie.



Our Dojo Champions are:



Class 1: Edi.
Class 2: Violet.
Class 3: Gilly.



Our Dojo Runners Up are:



Class 1: Ted.
Class 2: Marlie.
Class 3: Henry.



Head teacher Award: Cameron.



Lunchtime Award: Aura.





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Attendance

Geraldine the Giraffe is always looking for a classroom to rest in. As an incentive towards our attendance in school, the class who has the highest percentage fortnightly will have Geraldine spend two weeks with them.

Our winning class this week is Class 1 - well done!

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.

Curriculum Newsletters.

Tonight, your child(ren) has brought home a curriculum newsletter. This outlines their class learning over Autumn 2. They will also have a copy (if appropriate) of their spelling overviews for this half term. Please remember that these are also available on our website under the 'Our Learning' tab and clicking on to the relevant class page for your information - [The Valley | Learn to love, love to learn.](#)
We hope you find the information useful.

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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The Valley's Open Morning and Primary Admissions.

What a wonderful Open Morning we had on Tuesday!

It was lovely to meet our visitors and they all participated in our fun, planned activities. We really appreciated their attendance and very much enjoyed welcoming them to our fantastic school.

Class 1 and 2 focused on all things firework and bonfire themed and Class 3 showed off our Forest School creating clay figures and toasting marshmallows.

Please share that admissions for primary school starting in September 2025 is now open. Please share and the link below:

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

The Valley Team.





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Maths Parent Workshops.

We know that Mathematics can be a daunting topic to conquer so to assist with this; we are inviting you to attend a Parent Workshop on **Monday 18th November 2024** for parents with children in **Class 1**, **Wednesday 20th November 2024** for parents of children in **Class 2** and **Tuesday 26th November** for parents of children in **Class 3**.

The workshops will take place between **9.30am-10.30am**.

During the sessions, we will take a journey from the introduction of number to Class 1 all the way to mastering the art of long division in Class 3 and ensuring that your child is high-school ready. We would really appreciate your presence and to give you an opportunity to work in school with your children. If you are unable to attend, we will send home useful resources to help with the supporting of the teaching of Maths.

Many thanks for your continued support.



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PTFA Christmas Fair – Friday 6th December 2024.

The Parent-Teacher-Friends Association (PTFA) met on Wednesday 23rd October. During the meeting we began planning our Christmas Fair which will take place on Friday 6th December at 3pm. You are all warmly invited and your input towards the event would be gratefully received. If you are free to volunteer on the day, please let Mrs Bould know.

Ahead of our event, we are asking for donations of the following items please which will be held as **non-uniform days** on the following dates:

Friday 22nd November – Bottle Donations towards our Bottle Tombola.

Friday 29th November – On this date, the PTFA are asking please for donations of jam jars filled with mini gifts (stationary, small toys, bouncy balls, anything you may have around the house that you no longer require). These will be then sold on as gifts at the fair.

Friday 6th December – Donations of cakes and biscuits.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th November 2024 – 3.30pm at school. Please join us if you are able!



The Valley Primary School PTFA
Christmas Fair.

Friday 6th December 2024,
3pm-5pm.

- *Children's Enterprise (Decorations and Sweet Treats).
- *Christmas Gift Ideas, Cards and Cushions.
- *Handmade Christmas Wreaths.
- *Santa's Grotto.
- *Festive Face Painting.
- *Bottle Tombola and Raffle.
- *Baileys Hot Chocolate.
- *Refreshments and more!

Please come along and support our wonderful school.



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Anti-Bullying Week. Odd Sock Day – Wednesday 13th November 2024.

Next week marks Anti-Bullying Week. Our children will be taking part in sessions within school outlining the importance of treating everyone with kindness and respect. As part of this, we invite children to wear their craziest, mismatched socks to celebrate what makes us unique! Let's show that we're different but equally valued. Children will still come to school in their full uniform on this day please.



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Christmas Toy Run.

The Valley are supporting this year's Christmas Toy Run. Any donations are warmly received.



**CHRISTMAS
TOY RUN**

Done with the help of Cheadle Lions, EqualBase & St. Giles the Abbot Church

WHAT?
Please donate **NEW ONLY**
unwrapped presents for children of all ages
so everyone gets something for Christmas.

WHERE?
Drop off points at these primary schools
Bishop Rawle, St. Werburgh's, The Valley
Great Wood, Dilhorne Primary,
St. Thomas' Cheadle Primary

Also
St. Giles the Abbot Church

WHEN?
Donations needed before
6th December 2024

If you have donations after this date
Please contact:
Councillor Phillip Routledge: 07722 472233
Councillor Zenobia Routledge: 07853 918810



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Diary Dates

Autumn 2

November

- 08.11.24 – Remembrance Service 10.45am. All welcome to join us at the Cenotaph.
- 11.11.24 – 15.11.24 – Anti-Bullying Week
- 13.11.24 – 3.30pm PTFA Meeting – all welcome.
- 13.11.24 – Odd Socks Day – see above.
- 15.11.24 – Children in Need – see letter sent out.
- 18.11.24 – 9.30-10.30am Class 1 Maths Workshop for Parents – see information above.
- 19.11.24 – Y5/6 Swimming Gala.
- 20.11.24 – 9.30-10.30am Class 2 Maths Workshop for Parents - see information above.
- 21.11.24 – Y5/6 Basketball @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 22.11.24 – Non-uniform day – Donation of Bottles towards the tombola.
- 26.11.24 – 9.30-10.30am Class 3 Maths Workshop for Parents - see information above.
- 29.11.24 – Non-uniform day – Donations of filled jam jars.

December

- 06.12.24 – Non-uniform day – Donations of cakes and biscuits.
- 06.12.24 – PTFA Christmas Fair.
- 10.12.24 – Cinderella Pantomime @ Derby Pride Arena.
- 11.12.24 – Christmas Dinner Day.
- 12.12.24 – Dog Trust Workshops.
- 13.12.24 – Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Themed Dress Down Day – Save the Children.
- 13.12.24 – Christmas Service 9.30am in church.
- 13.12.24 – Reports out.
- 13.12.24 – All Nativity costumes in school.
- 16.12.24 – Nativity Dress Rehearsal.
- 16.12.24 – Choir singing at Oakmoor Village Hall.
- 18.12.24 – Nativity 2pm and 6pm.
- 19.12.24 – Christmas Party Day.
- 20.12.24 – Break up for Christmas.

Spring Term 1

January

- 06.01.25 – INSET Day for staff.
- 07.01.25 – School opens for pupils.
- 15.01.25 – Young Voices in Birmingham – Choir Event.
- 22.01.25 – Parent's 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.
- 30.01.25 - Y5/6 A League Netball.

February

- 05.02.25 – NSPCC Number Day – TT Rockstars/Numberblocks Dress Up.
- 06.02.25 - Y5/6 A League Netball.
- 07.02.25 – Academy Photography.
- 10.02.25 – Y3/4 Swimming Gala - TBC



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Spring 1

February

- 14.02.25 – Launch Wider Curriculum Reading Challenge (Humanities).
- 14.02.25 – Break up for half term.

Spring 2

February

- 24.02.25 – Back to school.
- 27.02.25 – Y3/4 Netball Development @ South Moorlands Leisure Centre.

March

- 04.03.25 – Y5/6 Cross Country.
- 10.03.25 – 14.03.25 – British Science Week.
- 11.03.25 - Y5/6 Cross Country.
- 12.03.25 – Y3-6 Gymnastics Competition.
- 13.03.25 – KS2 Dance Festival.
- 14.03.25 – Comic Relief.
- 19.03.25 – Y5/6 Football Tournament.
- 26.03.25 – Y3/4 Football Tournament.
- 27.03.25 – Y5 Maths Quiz @ The Cheadle Academy.

April

- 11.04.25 – Archery Event.
- 11.04.25 – Break up for Easter.