



The Valley Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 24th January 2025.

Our Weekly Winners!

Here are the names of our shiny stars, crowned winners in our celebration assembly over the last two weeks. Well done to you all!

Stars of the Week



Class 1: Eliza and Louis.
Class 2: Lydia and Zoe.
Class 3: Theo and Wilf.



Our Dojo Champions are:

Class 1: Edi and Aurora.
Class 2: Marlie and Lydia.
Class 3: Mason and Arthur.



Our Dojo Runners Up are:

Class 1: Jaxon and Lissie.
Class 2: Violet and Zoe.
Class 3: Johanna and Gilbert.



Head teacher Award:

The Valley Choir and Jasmine.



Lunchtime Award:
Oliver and Violet.





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Lateness and Attendance.

Coming to school every day and on time, means that we can learn lots of new and exciting things!

School attendance and lateness is closely monitored to ensure that children have the best opportunity to learn.

School attendance for the week ending 24.01.25:

96.39%

Well done everyone!

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

valleyclass3@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

Parent Questionnaire 2025.

Many thanks for the already returned parent questionnaires.

So that we can continue improving our lovely school, we would appreciate your thoughts on your child's education so far this academic year. We have sent out a copy of the questionnaire both electronically and paper. If you require another copy, please inform Mrs Button in the school office.

Please can all forms be returned to your child's class teacher or to the school office by:
Friday 31st January 2025.

We thank you for your support.



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Chinese New Year Menu

Thursday 30th January

CHINESE NEW YEAR

2025

SWEET AND SOUR CHICKEN CURRY
WITH RICE
OR
VEGGIE CHOW MEIN
WITH
ORIENTAL VEGETABLES

LEMON AND GINGER CAKE

 **edwards and ward**
a recipe for success

How lovely does this menu sound?! Join us on Thursday 30th January where we celebrate Chinese New Year with an oriental menu.

Young Voices 2025.

Fifteen pupils from our wonderful school joined friends from four of the Trust sister schools to form The Moorlands Primary Federation combined choir and sing in the Young Voices concert in Birmingham on Wednesday 15th January.

More than one hundred pupils from across TMPF were part of a 6,000-strong choir of school children performing to thousands of audience members at the 'BP Pulse Live' arena, singing a selection of songs including: 'Try Everything', 'Hairspray', 'Oceania' and, to celebrate what would have been Bob Marley's 80th birthday, 'One Love'.

Our children were remarkable, we had a great time and what an opportunity for them all, a memory that will last forever.





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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.



Arbor Payments

A friendly reminder to make sure that your child's school account is topped up with enough funds. It might be worth checking it periodically to avoid any surprises. Many thanks in advance.





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NSPCC Number Day.

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on Wednesday **5th February 2025.**

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it. We would like to invite parents, family members and guardians into school for a morning of maths fun! You will be able to join your child in school between 9.30am and 10.30am and take part in some fun maths activities in your child's class.

We are also making this exciting day into a dress up day! Children are invited to come as a Times Table Rockstar or a Number Block for a bit of fun! If your child would prefer to wear their own clothes, this is fine too.

We will be asking for a small voluntary donation per child, which we will be donating to the NSPCC.

We're really looking forward to all the fun of Number Day, and we really appreciate your support.

All the money we raise will make an enormous difference to children today and help the NSPCC be there for children tomorrow.

Many thanks in advance.





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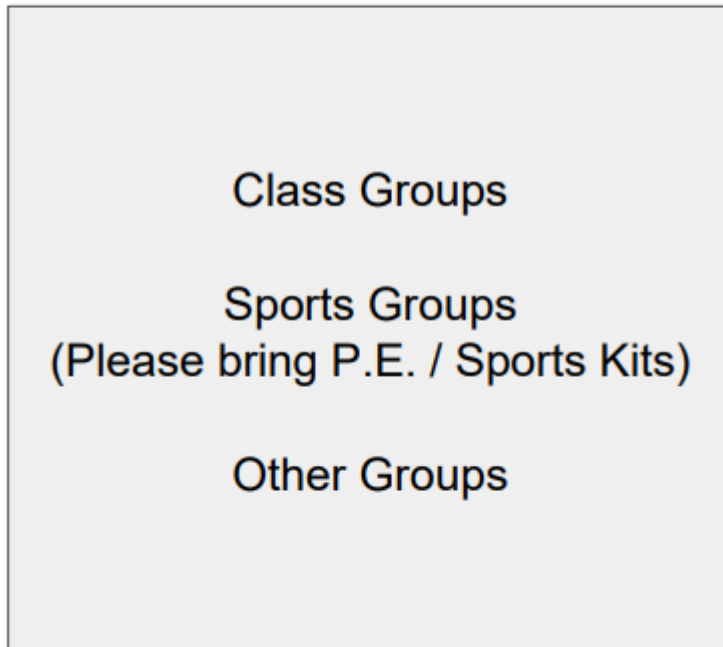
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Academy Photography.



School photos will be conducted on
Friday 7th February 2025

At this session we will be photographing
Whole School



Please ensure full uniform is worn and children are neat and tidy.

Parents will receive free proofs of every image
and the option to make a purchase.



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Diary Dates

Spring Term 1

January

- 27.01.25 – Computing Day.
- 28.01.25 – Year 1/2 Multi-Skills @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 29.01.25 – PTFA AGM Meeting 3.30pm.

February

- 05.02.25 – NSPCC Number Day – TT Rockstars/Number blocks Dress Up – join us from 9.30am.
- 07.02.25 – Academy Photography.
- 11.02.25 – Y3/4 Swimming Gala
- 14.02.25 – Severn Trent Water Assembly and KS2 workshop.
- 14.02.25 – Launch Wider Curriculum Reading Challenge (Humanities).
- 14.02.25 – Break up for half term.

Spring 2

February

- 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

- 01.04.25 Y5/6 Swimming Gala.
- 04.04.25 – 9.30am Easter Service in church - all parents' welcome. ****CHANGED DATE****
- 09.04.25 – Y1/2 Gymnastics Competition.
- 09.04.25 – Easter Bonnet/Egg Parade.
- 11.04.25 – Archery @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 11.04.25 – Break up for Easter.
- 28.04.25 – Children back to school.
- 30.04.25 - Y5/6 Girls A League Football. ****CHANGE OF DATE****



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Diary Dates continued.

May

- 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.
- 03.06.25 – Y3/4 Cricket. ****CHANGED DATE****
- 10.06.25 – Y5/6 Cricket
- 11.06.25 – Y6 Solos and Duos Event @ The Cheadle Academy.
- 12.06.25 – Y3/4 Girls Football Tournament.
- 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.