

**Newsletter: 03/11/2017**

## Behaviour

Children who demonstrate an acceptable standard are awarded bands. To be awarded a band the children would have to be in the right place, at the right time and doing the right thing.

This week **207** children have been GREEN all week. WELL DONE!

Big Bears	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
31/31	28/28	29/29	30/30	30/30	30/30	29/29

### Attendance and Lates

97.0% and 26 lates

Our attendance target for the year is 96%

Year to date: 95.1%

Big Bears  
97.6% 4 lates

Year 1  
96.0% 2 lates

Year 2  
98.3% 13lates

Year 3  
98.3% 1 late

Year 4  
93.8% 4 lates

Year 5  
96.3% 1 late

Year 6  
99.1% 1 late

### This Weeks Star Pupils

Big Bears: Archie Dawson

Year 1: Jackson Oakes

Year 2: Layla France

Year 3: Talia Sutcliffe Garbutt

Year 4: Connor Runton

Year 5: Cameron Jarratt

Year 6 : Declan MacDonald

### Up and Coming Key Dates

17.11.17 Children in Need (Wear a Onesie)  
Donations welcome  
 20.11.17 Open Classroom 3.20-4.00pm  
 21.11.17 Parents Evening 3.30-4.30pm  
 30.11.17 Parents Evening 3.30-4.30pm  
 04.12.17 Parents Evening 3.30-4.30pm  
 04.12.17 Football Club cancelled

Over the next few weeks we will be changing our phone provider, our number will remain the same, but during the change-over period you may experience difficulty contacting us. If this is the case please try this alternative number 01132127200. THIS IS NOT A PERMANENT NUMBER CHANGE

From next week we will have a new option for school lunch for Year 2 upwards, this will be 'Pasta Pots' available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Can you please inform the office if you update any of your details such as phone number, mobile or address.

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## Big Bears:

A super first week back in Big Bears, we have been writing our own rhyming spells and looking at 2D shape patterns in Maths.



**Year 1:** What a great first week back after half-term! We have focused on adding numbers under 20 in Maths. In English, we are looking at writing a letter to the Queen about why we should be a knight. Also, we have looked at castle defences and what makes a castle wall strong. We then made our own using biscuits and butter icing.



**Year 3:** Welcome back year 3! We've dived headfirst back into our work tackling some really tricky subtraction questions in our Maths. We've also been doing more descriptive work, but this week we've been specifically looking at settings. We have written some amazing work and let our imaginations go wild! I can't wait to see what amazing places we all get taken to next week! Just a quick reminder, Maths homework and spellings have come home today, with the Maths to be in on Monday.

**Year 2:** It has been such a lovely start back after the holidays! Year 2 have been very busy over the half term and have built some of the most amazing castles we've ever seen. They have also written stories alongside their castles, which are fantastic! We've taken our learning about castles a little bit further by building castle walls... out of biscuits. We learnt about the structure of the walls and how they were built for strength... and then we discovered how tasty they could be!! In maths we have finally cracked adding two 2-digit numbers and this has made subtracting even easier.

**Year 4:** Welcome back year 4! We have wasted no time in getting straight back into some excellent work. In Maths we have been investigating times tables and solving multiplication problems. Diary entries have been the focus in writing this week and the children have done really well writing diaries for Stig of the Dump. Our afternoons have concentrated on super heroes and when they were created. We have also looked at coordinates.

**Year 5:** Welcome back! This week we have been developing our Maths knowledge by learning how to solve the perimeter and area of rectilinear shapes – this proved difficult at first but they never gave up. Within writing we are now taking on the role of Stanley from of our class read (Holes) and learning to write a diary entry about our time on Camp Green Lake which the children loved!



**Year 6:** What a week back it's been!! Year 6 has sunk straight back onto their routines and are doing so with such pride! We have been mastering the art of algebra in Maths, exploring vocabulary in-depth in reading and have begun writing our letters to Jack. This week has been anti-bullying week and we have had lengthy debates and discussions surrounding the issues. Children have been incredibly mature on the matter and have created some brilliant leaflets. Keep up the hard work Year 6!



## 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 welfare or safety reassure you that any sharing of information is done with the children's best interest at heart. If you have any concerns about the of any child in our school you should contact Mr Yeomans or Miss Taylor, they 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.