

Mr Singh's weekly message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been my pleasure to welcome our community back to The Vale - it was great to see classrooms full of children enjoying their learning and getting re-acquainted with their friends and peers.

I hope your child has had a good first week back at school. It has been a lovely week at The Vale Primary Academy; children are very settled and happy, with even our newest children in Reception looking like they've always been here!

Reading continues to be a huge focus for us. Reading is the basis of all learning that children do and so we will be making sure that the youngest children all the way up to the oldest are helped to become confident readers, who enjoy books.

The single best thing you can do to support your child with their learning is listen to them read every day. This only needs to be for 5-10 minutes but the difference it will make is amazing. We will be making sure that all children bring home at least one reading book every day which is changed weekly.

As always, thank you for your support and I hope you have a good weekend.

Mr J Singh

Morning Routines

You will have noticed a few changes to the morning drop off. I would like to outline these for you below.

- Gates will be opened at 08:40
- Teachers will be available on the playground from 08:40
- Children will enter school at 08:45 after morning welcome
- Gates to close at 09:00
- Late arrivals (after 09:00) will need to arrive through the office.

Website

We are pleased to announce that our brand-new website is now live. Please visit us at:

[The Vale Primary Academy - The Vale Primary Academy \(thevpacademy.org.uk\)](http://TheValePrimaryAcademy-TheValePrimaryAcademy(thevpacademy.org.uk))

Pupil of the Week

N	William B & William F
R	Frankie Pa
Y1	Skye F
Y2	Jake D
Y3	Ty - Jamie
Y4	Maddie C
Y5	Blake C
Y6	Jacob H

Academy Attendance

N: 86%	Y1: 100%	Y4: 99.1%	Total 97.1%
R: 97.8%	Y2: 93.3%	Y5: 94%	
	Y3: 98.9%	Y6: 99.2%	

Packed Lunches and snacks

The content of lunchboxes must meet minimum food and nutrition standards for school meals. Children's packed lunches should include items from the 5 main food groups:

- 1) Bread, Rice, Potatoes, Pasta.
- 2) Fruit and Vegetables.
- 3) Milk and Dairy foods.
- 4) Meat, Fish, Eggs, Beans.
- 5) Drinks: water, milk, unsweetened juice, fruit smoothies



Please support us by not including these items in a packed lunch:

- Fizzy Pop/Fruit Shoots
- Sweets
- Chocolate bars
- Crisps
- Cake bars, such as the Mr Kipling double packs
- Biscuits

Please note that we are a nut free school which includes such items as Nutella spread or pesto.

Uniform

The uniform for children in Nursery to Year 5 consists of:

Royal blue V-neck jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt (with or without logo)

- Grey or black trousers/skirt
- White polo shirt, shirt or blouse



In warmer weather, children can also wear:

- Blue gingham checked summer dress
- Grey or black shorts.

The uniform for children in Year 6 consists of:

- Royal blue V-neck jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt (with or without logo)
- Tie (provided by the academy)
- White shirt or blouse Grey or black trousers/skirt

In warmer weather, children in Year 6 can also wear:

- Blue gingham checked summer dress (without tie)
- Grey or black shorts.



PE

- black shorts
- Delta plain white T shirt
- Delta Water Bottle
- Appropriate footwear - indoor PE is done in bare feet or school plimsolls.
- Outdoor PE, children may wear black jogging bottoms and a long-sleeved t-shirt.

Children must bring trainers to participate in outdoor PE – these are not provided by the academy and if children do not bring the correct footwear, it may not be possible for them to participate.

Key dates for your diary

07.10.2021: Y6 SATs Parents workshop
 12.10.2021: Y1, Y2, Y3 Maths Parents workshop
 13.10.2021: Y4, Y5, Y6 Maths Parents workshop

All times for workshops to be confirmed

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is now open between 08:15-08:45. Please contact the office if you wish to enquire about availability.