

Mr Singh's weekly message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of our first term this academic year, I would like to thank you all for your support and feedback so far this year. The autumn term has seen many challenges, but it has also been a very happy time at The Vale and that is entirely due to the commitment of our staff team and your amazing children.

Health and Safety continues to be our number one priority each and every day. I talk with staff members on a daily basis about our risk assessments and we make sure that all systems and routines are being implemented well at all times.

I know for all of us this continues to be an anxious time. Infection rates are rising across the country. I want to tell you that we will continue to rigorously follow our risk assessments and ensure that The Vale sets the highest of standards with regards to the safety of our whole community.

I would also like to apologise if you incorrectly received a letter last week regarding your child's attendance. I would like to thank the parents who brought this to my attention and after investigating this matter it is clear that some of you should not have received this letter – particularly when your child was absent due to COVID-19 related absence. I do apologise for this and would once again like to thank you for bringing this to our attention and working with us on this matter.

Finally, I know the children are having a wonderful last week of term which will include Christmas arts and craft, Christmas lunch, Christmas parties, Nativity performances and a gift for every child.

All of this was carefully planned to make sure it happened in a safe way and in line with our risk assessments.

I would like to wish you all a very safe and Merry Christmas and looking forward to seeing you in 2022! Please do check the key dates below for school opening in January.

Kindest regards

Mr J Singh



Thank you and Goodbye

We would like to say a massive thank you and goodbye Mr Goodman, Mrs Grainger, Miss Watson and Mrs Meadows.

Miss Watson leaves us at the end of this week – I would like to thank Miss Watson for all her hard work with the children in Nursery and wish her well in the future.

Mrs Meadows, who has worked here for a number of years, has secured a new job and also leaves us at the end of this week. I would like to thank her for all her hard work and her dedication to The Vale Primary Academy and wish her all the best in her new role.

Mrs Grainger, who over the years she has supported the school and helped it become a better place for our children, is officially retiring. Denise, we can't imagine walking into the office and not seeing your face. Thank you for every single second you've spent with us. It is truly appreciated!

Finally, Mr Goodman, I feel so lucky to have been able to work with Mr Goodman and I want to wish him well in his future endeavours.

Lee, I hope you know the priceless impact you have made, are making and will continue to make in so many lives.

Thank you for your tremendous help. Without your diligence, hard work, late nights, and early mornings we wouldn't be the school we are.

Key dates for your diary

16.12.2021: Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner
16.12.2021: Last day of term
17.12.2021: Training Day (School closed)
03.01.2022: Bank Holiday
04.01.2022: Training Day (School closed)
05.01.2022: School re-opens (Spring 1)

Breakfast Club

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