

Mr Singh's weekly message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another enjoyable week at The Vale Primary Academy. It was great to see our children taking part in classroom percussion and singing, learning how to play the guitar, and learning how to play brass instruments. The children did amazing, we are all so proud of them!

Please see below for our key messages for next week

KEY MESSAGES

READING

Your child will be issued with a new reading book weekly. It is important, to allow us to read with your child and for their books to be changed, that reading books are brought to school each day. Please ensure you child brings their reading book and planner into school.

CLASSROOM KITCHEN

This week we started our classroom kitchen lessons. Children learnt about the importance of a balanced diet and how to use kitchen utensils safely before preparing, cooking and eating a pasta salad. The children thoroughly enjoyed their lesson. Each year group will have the chance to take part in a Classroom Kitchen lesson every half term.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

I would like to inform you that individual photographs of each child will be taken on Tuesday 11th October 2022. Families in school will also have the opportunity for their photograph to be taken together.

PARENTS EVENING

We will be holding our first Parents Evening of this academic year on Tuesday November 15th and Wednesday November 16th. This will give you a chance to come into school and discuss with your child's teacher on how they have settled onto their new year group and discuss next steps on how we can work in partnership to give your child the best chance of success this year and beyond.

One of our commitments to yourselves is to engage you with The Vale Academy school menu, we will showcase some of the food we offer to our children and invite you to taste some or all the items we have available to share!

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Throughout the month of October, we will be celebrating Black History Month. Children will explore the work of Black humanitarians on society; reflect on our assumptions and stereotypes about people and celebrate stories and achievements of groups and individuals.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Festival will be taking place on 20th October. We are collecting non-perishable items such as tins, bottles, packets and toiletries for our local Foodbank and Church. Whatever you can donate will help somebody in short-term need. Please kindly send in any donations between Monday 10th October – Friday 14th October – children can place items in the Harvest Box (in their classroom) Thank you

FAMILY ASSEMBLY

On the Week commencing the 10th October, Years 4,5 and 6 will be hosting a Family Assembly. This will be an opportunity for you to hear about all the work your child has been doing this half term. Years 1, 2 and 3 will be hosting their Family Assemblies on the week commencing 17th October. Dates for each assembly will be shared next week.

VISITS/VISITORS

During the Autumn term our children will be taking part in educational visits and/or having visitors in school. This term we will have an African drumming and Arts workshop; a Diwali festival workshop; an Author visiting our school; Bike-ability; a pantomime and a residential visit to Dallowgill.

Have a safe and restful weekend

Mr J Singh

Attendance	
Nursery	97.7%
Reception	97.7%
Y1	93.5%
Y2	96.8%
Y3	96.3%
Y4	96.4%
Y5	97.1%
Y6	93.9%

Pupil of The Week	
Nursery	Freddie A, Molly C
Reception	Harry A
Y1	Sakinah C
Y2	Darcie W
Y3	Lydia V
Y4	Neo M
Y5	Ollie M
Y6	Clay C

Key dates for your diary	
<p>03.10.22: Y5 Dallowgill residential 10.10.22: Mental Health Day 10.10.22: Y2 Tropical World visit (RE-SCHEDULED FROM LAST YEAR) 11.10.22: School Photos 17.10.22: Parent Voice Questionnaire 19.10.22: African drumming and Art workshops 23.10.22: End of Autumn 1 (half term) 31.10.22: Staff Training Day (School Closed) 01.11.22: School re-opens (Autumn 2) 01.11.22: Diwali Festival workshops</p> <p>This half term we will also be conducting family assemblies, this will be an opportunity for you to come into school and gain an insight into what your child/children have been learning about.</p> <p>We will also be having visitors in school for Black History Month and Diwali.</p> <p>We will also be hoping to invite parents into school for the end of term House games/tournaments. More information will be shared closer to the events.</p>	<p>Twitter Please follow us on our twitter feed: @Vale_Primary</p>

