

Mr Singh's weekly message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another great week at The Vale Primary Academy. This week we had several visitors in school who have commented on how brilliantly behaved and hardworking our children are. The children are a real credit to our school and community, and I would like to thank all parents for their support in working with us to ensure that we give all our children the best deal available to them. Y1 and Y2 have thoroughly been enjoying their time with Forest Schools – and I know other year groups are excited about starting this after half term. For the Spring term – years 5 and 6 will be taking part in Forest Schools.

KEY MESSAGES

CHRISTMAS JUMPERS

Children are welcome to wear their Christmas jumpers next week on the following days: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

HOUSE GAMES ROUND 2

Most children have started creating their Christmas themed calendars. There is a lot of fun and excitement around this event and the big question is can Swale make it 2 out of 2? We can't wait to show the final designs to Parents so you can vote for the overall winner – no dodgy referees this time! Voting will take place between 12th and 14th December. This will be done electronically. We will reveal the winner on Thursday 15th December.

AUTHOR VISIT

Next week, we have our Patron of Reading, Conrad Burdekin, visiting to work with our children in creating their own class Christmas Stories. This will be an exciting and creative opportunity for all our children and we are so excited about sharing these stories with you all!

PTA RAFFLE TICKET

REMINDER.....PTA Members will be/have been selling raffle tickets on the playground. They have kindly organised 2 Christmas hampers, which are up for grabs, be quick as they anticipate tickets to sell fast! Winners will be announced on Thursday 15th December.

CHRISTMAS MOVIE

This year we will be holding a Christmas movie night for our children on Friday 9th December. The movie we will be showing will be The Polar Express. We will provide children with hot chocolate and popcorn, and they will be able to enjoy the movie with their classmates. The movie will finish at 16:00 – so should you wish for your child to stay – please collect them at 16:00 on the 9th December. Children are welcome to wear their pyjamas and bring a teddy bear with them should they wish to.

Y6 RESIDENTIAL

The re-scheduled Y6 Dallow Gill residential is fast approaching (9th-11th January). Staff and children alike are excited about the upcoming event. Miss Cartwright will be sending some information out to parents just as a refresher to inform you in the days and events children will undertake.

As always – please come and speak to us should you wish to discuss anything further.

Have a lovely weekend all

Mr J Singh

Attendance

CATERPILLARS	96%
BUTTERFLIES	96%
PANDAS	87.1%
TIGERS	93.4%
GAZELLES	90.3%
ELEPHANTS	78.3%
PENGUINS	89.7%
SNOW LEOPARDS	93.2%

PUPIL OF THE WEEK	
CATERPILLARS	Jorgie B & Lyrica M
BUTTERFLIES	Charlie W
PANDAS	Amber C
TIGERS	Jaxon W
GAZELLES	Apryl M
ELEPHANTS	Julia B
PENGUINS	Arissa J
SNOW LEOPARDS	Charlie B

Key dates for your diary	
06.12.22: Y1-4 Christmas music concert	<p>Twitter Please follow us on our twitter feed: @Vale_Primary</p>
06.12.22: Christmas Story Writing with an Author	
08.12.22: EYFS Nativity and Christmas Jumper Day	
09.12.22: Christmas Movie Night (HOUSE WINNERS – special screening)	
13.12.22: Christmas Family Dinners (EYFS / Y1 / Y2)	
14.12.22: Christmas Family Dinners (Y3 / Y4 / Y5 / Y6)	
15.12.22: Christmas Disco with Visit from Santa and Class Parties	
15.12.22: End of Autumn Term (School closes)	
16.12.22: Staff INSET day	
03.01.23: Staff INSET day	
04.01.23: Start of Spring Term (School re-opens)	

HOUSE POINTS			
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47	58	54	55



Balance-ability

This week our children in Early Years were refining their skills on a bike. The children learnt how to balance, sail and ride bikes. The children had a great time, and it was wonderful to see them overcome any fears and demonstrate excellence and determination. We are all so proud of them.

