

**Mr Singh's weekly message**

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an amazing term at The Vale Primary Academy with lots of visits, visitors, learning and excitement. The children have thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support and I am pleased to say – together – we have improved the attendance at school. It is massively important we continue with this during the summer term.

I have also had several requests for term time holidays – I would like to make it clear that these will not be approved unless it is for exceptional circumstances. Fines are issued by the Local Authority and not the school.

I would like to finish by saying a huge thank you to the PTA and the parents who attended the Easter Fayre. Unfortunately, the weather was not on our side – but nonetheless it is important that we celebrate the work from the PTA and the children, staff and parents all made it a fun experience! All the work they do is voluntary, they work tirelessly to put on events so please do thank them when you see them!

*A HUGE THANK YOU FROM ALL TO KHRIS, SAM & SIMON!*

Please see below for this week's key message.

**KEY MESSAGES**

**KING'S CORONATION PICNIC**

To celebrate the coronation of King Charles III – we will be having a whole school picnic with lots of fun and games. All children will also receive a very special gift to commemorate the occasion. The picnic will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

**KS1 SATs**

Throughout the month of May, children in Year 2 will be completing their end of Key Stage 1 assessments. These will be done in small groups led by Mr Rollin. Children in Year 2 have been practising in school and we are so proud of their resilience! We also would like to invite parents in for a meeting on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 15:30 so you have a chance to look at what the children will be doing in the assessments; Year 2 parents have received a letter detailing this further.

**KS2 SATs**

On the week commencing the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023, Year 6 pupils will be sitting their end of Key Stage 2 assessment. If you have a child in Year 6, please make sure that they attend school every day and get a good night's sleep.

We would like to invite all Year 6 children to attend breakfast club, free of charge from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May-Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

The school will be open for our Year 6 children from 08:00 between Monday and Thursday.

**PARENTS EVENING**

Parents evening will take place on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May between 13:00-18:00.

Appointment letters will be sent out during the first week back. We look forward to seeing you all.

### HOUSE GAMES – SPELLING BEE Year 1 - 3 Winners – Aire



### Year 4 - 6 Winners – Wharfe





Y3 VISIT – NATIONAL COAL MINING MUSEUM



Have a lovely Easter break!  
J Singh



<u>Attendance</u>	
CATERPILLARS	90.8%
BUTTERFLIES	90.8%
PANDAS	89.2%
TIGERS	95.6%
GAZELLES	92.9%
ELEPHANTS	95.8%
PENGUINS	94.6%
SNOW LEOPARDS	89.6%

<u>PUPIL OF THE WEEK</u>	
CATERPILLARS	Roscoe M & Nia CW
BUTTERFLIES	Chelsea S
PANDAS	Charlie W
TIGERS	Ruby W
GAZELLES	Amarnie S
ELEPHANTS	Anna R & Harri B
PENGUINS	Lennox J
SNOW LEOPARDS	Riley S

<u>Key dates for your diary</u>	
31.03.23: End of Spring 2	<p><b>Twitter</b> Please follow us on our twitter feed:  <a href="https://twitter.com/Vale_Primary">@Vale_Primary</a></p>
17.04.23: School re-opens for Summer 1	
18.04.23: KS1 SATs Meeting	
24.04.23: E-SAFETY week	
26.04.23: SEND Coffee Morning	
01.05.23: Bank Holiday	
04.05.23: School closed – Staff Training Day	
05.05.23: King Charles III's Coronation picnic	
08.05.23: Bank Holiday (Coronation)	
09.05.23-12.05.23: KS2 SATs	
15.05.23: Mental Health Awareness Week	
23:05.23: Parents Evening	

<u>HOUSE POINTS</u>			
WHARF	SWALE	DERWENT	AIRE
160	155	148	170

