

Mr Singh's weekly message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a brilliant week here at The Vale Primary Academy. I am extremely proud of all the children who represented their houses during the football house games and a huge well done to House Derwent who won the Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6 football tournaments. All children who took part will be receiving a medal next week and the winners a very special award.

I would also like to thank parents for their contributions towards our harvest festival. Arrangements are being made to get these distributed to those in greatest need. Thank you so much for this kind and heart-warming gesture.

Please see below for our key messages and celebrations from this week:

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On the 10th October we will be celebrating World Mental Health day. The theme for 2023, set by the World Foundation of Mental Health, is 'Mental health is a universal human right'. World Mental Health Day is about raising awareness of mental health and driving positive change for everyone's mental health. It's also a chance to talk about mental health, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if you are struggling.

On this day – children are welcome to come into school wearing something green and donate £1 for the event. All donations will be given to Mental Health Foundation (website below).

[Our work | Mental Health Foundation](#)



HARVEST COLLECTION

Thanks for all your donations for the Harvest assembly. All the wonderful food will be donated to a local foodbank



HSBC – FINANCE AWARD

The children have worked incredibly hard to learn about managing finances and have received a special trophy from HSBC in recognition for their great work!



HOUSE GAMES – FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

The children did amazingly well to participate in the first House Games of the year. Derwent came out on top as the overall winners, Aire in second place, Wharfe in third and Swale in fourth.



Best wishes
Mr J Singh



PUPIL OF THE WEEK	
CATERPILLARS	Roxy G
BUTTERFLIES	Libby C
PANDAS	Luke G
TIGERS	Frankie P
GAZELLES	Taylor P
ELEPHANTS	Isaac D
PENGUINS	Alex P
SNOW LEOPARDS	Noah A

Attendance	
CATERPILLARS	93.3%
BUTTERFLIES	91.5%
PANDAS	96.6%
TIGERS	94.8%
GAZELLES	99.3%
ELEPHANTS	93.4%
PENGUINS	99.2%
SNOW LEOPARDS	99.3%

HOUSE POINTS			
WHARF	SWALE	DERWENT	AIRE
32	32	41	42



Key dates for your diary

SCHOOL EVENTS AUTUMN TERM:

- 01.10.23: Black History Month
- 10.10.23: World Mental Health Day (10th)
- 16.10.23: Recycling Week
- 18.10.23: African dance and Virtual Reality Tour
- 26.10.23: PTA Halloween extravaganza
- 27.10.23: Halloween Disco
- 11.11.23: Remembrance Day
- 27.11.23 & 28.11.23: Christmas Glass Art Workshops
- 01.12.23: In school Pantomime (A Christmas Carol)
- 12.12.23: Y3-6 Theatre Visit

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT AUTUMN TERM:

- 19.10.23: Y1 Phonics workshops
- 13.11.23: Y1/2/3 Anti Bullying workshops
- 14.11.23: Y4/5/6 Anti Bullying workshops
- 23.11.23: Parents evening
- 28.11.23: Family assemblies (please see your child's class newsletter for more information)
- 04.12.23: Y1/2/3 House Games
- 05.12.23: Y4/5/6 House Games
- 15.12.23: EYFS Nativity
- 18.12.23: Reception & Y1 Family Christmas dinner
- 19.12.23: Y2 & Y3 Family Christmas dinner
- 20.12.23: Y4, Y5 & Y6 Family Christmas dinner
- 21.12.23: Christmas Concert/Fayre

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Message from the PTA

The PTA is excited to announce our upcoming event on Thursday, October 26th, with doors opening at 4:30 PM. Join us for a Halloween extravaganza illuminated with LED lights and fire. We have partnered with artists from Cequin Circus and Cirque du Bleuigh to create an unforgettable experience.

Expect stilt walkers Pegasus unicorns to greet the children, followed by a 30-minute spectacular show featuring multi-LED props, including a multi-hoop performance, and an impressive fire show with special effects. Tickets will be on sale starting next week at the early bird price of £3 per person or 4 tickets for £10. Children under 3 years old get free entry. Tickets at the door will be £5, so don't wait – purchase your tickets now.

Spread the word! This spectacular event is open to friends and family, so bring as many as possible to support the PTA. Every penny we make goes toward future events for our children.

On the night, be sure to wear your best Halloween costume – we'll have prizes for the best costumes in both children and adult categories. Enter the best-carved pumpkin competition for a chance to win a prize. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Join us for a night of Halloween fun!

