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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 29th March 2018

Inspiring All

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Don't wait until you've reached your goal to be proud of yourself. BE PROUD OF every step you take toward reaching your goal.

This Y3 is demonstrating this as she makes fantastic progress forwards on her reading journey towards her goal.



EPSOM AND EWELL MUSIC FESTIVAL

A fantastic well done to our Infant Choir this week who were such great ambassadors of the school at the music festival held at Epsom Playhouse. Thank you to Nicole, Summer, Daisy, Caitlin, Amelia-Rose, Isaac, Mia, Evelyn, Charlie, Grace, Katy, Ava, Leo and Cole who all sang beautifully. Also a huge thank you to Mrs Hallett for leading them and Mrs White, Mrs Turner and Mr Atterton for supporting rehearsals and performances, Mrs Varellas, Mrs Bell, Mrs Salisbury and Mrs Root for helping with hair and uniforms.



OFSTED

Thank you to all families who took time to speak to our HMI visitor Mrs Claire Prince this week on the gate or took time to fill in the parental survey. We are unable to share with you the outcome of the visit yet but will ensure we do as soon as it is possible. Suffice to say, the day was a positive and evaluative experience and the children were fantastic ambassadors of the school.



WORLD DOWNS SYNDROME DAY COMPETITION

Thank you to all those who entered the 'Rock your Socks' competition it has been very difficult to judge. The winners for some bright, colourful and crazy designs are: Ben in Comet class, Maisie in Sun class and Joshua in Star class. Well done!

FACEBOOK/TWITTER

Please do follow and like us. We can be found on Facebook at: @thevaleprimary and on Twitter @ValePrimarySch. Our twitter feed links directly to our homepage of our website too. I will endeavour to put a couple of challenges up during the Easter break.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Sun Class: Isaac, Jude
Moon Class: Harvey, Kiyomi
Star Class: Mollie



ATTENDANCE

Our weekly attendance figures are listed here.

Week beginning 26th March 2018

Sun Class	98.67%
Moon Class	95.24%
Star Class	92.22%
Eclipse Class	90.67%
Solar Class	94.20%
Comet Class	98.61%
Apollo Class	97.10%
Voyager Class	91.11%

April

18.04.18	Sun Class Educational trip	All day
18.04.18	Stamford Green Behaviour Ambassadors to the Vale	
25.04.18	Dome visit to the school – all classes	All day
28.04.18	Community Day	
11.05.18	Class Assembly – Comet Class	9.00 – 9.30am
18.05.18	Class Assembly – Moon Class	9.00 – 9.30am
18.05.18	Royal Wedding Celebration	
21 – 26.05.18	Year 6 Residential	
24 – 25.05.18	Year 4 Kip in a Hall and Educational trip	All day
15.06.18	Class Assembly – Sun Class	9.00 – 9.30am
19 & 20.06.18	Year 3 & 4 Dance Festival	
20 – 22.06.18	Year 5 Residential	
22.06.18	Class assembly – Solar & Eclipse Classes	9.00 – 9.30am
28.06.18	Class Assembly – Apollo class	9.00 – 9.30am
02 – 06.07.18	Sports Week	
04.07.18	Sports Day	
11.07.18	Open afternoon	
12.07.18	Junior Production	
13.07.18	Strawberry Tea	Afternoon
13.07.18	Class Assembly – Star Class	9.00 – 9.30am
19.07.18	Year 6 Leavers Assembly	9.00 – 9.30am

COMMUNITY DAY

The PTA newsletter this week mentioned that we are holding a day at school to help 'spruce' up the outdoor and indoor areas. The PTA will provide the bacon butties and hot drinks but in return we would appreciate your time, skills and hard labour from all the family!

This will encompass anything and everything from a bit of weeding, to painting a wall with activities that will keep the whole family occupied!

Our date for this is **Saturday 28th April**. Please add to your diaries.

HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN AT HOME

TIMES TABLES

Try practising a x table calculation before a mouthful of Easter egg.....

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

- The Easter Bunny puts some eggs in a pattern:
pink, yellow, blue, pink, yellow, blue ...

One of the badgers says the 17th egg will be yellow.

Is he right? Explain your answer.



SPELLING STRATEGY:

How many different words can you make from:

Springtime

e.g. ring, mine.....

What is the longest word you can make?

Epsom Baptist Church

Springtime Holiday Club for the Easter Holidays. This year the holiday club is called PASSPORT TO ADVENTURE. It is for children aged 5-11 (Reception to Year 6) and the dates are Tuesday 3rd April to Friday 6th April. There is no charge for this event as it is part of our service to the community and we usually have about 80+ children from most of the primary schools in the borough. There are craft activities, quizzes, games, stories, DVD's, songs and refreshments.

WRIGGLES & GIGGLES

Each Tuesday our local 'stay and play' community group meet in our school hall from 9.30am to 11.30am. It is a popular group for parents and carers for babies to pre-schoolers and open to everyone. For a small fee of just £2 for children aged over 1, £1 for children under 1 and siblings, visitors have a range of toys and activities on offer. Please spread the word and come along.

Thank you so much for all your support this term and we look forward to the next. Have a lovely break over Easter and I'm just going to finish the newsletter with a few photos of some of the highlights of this term (I've probably missed lots out; there have been so many!).

**Cathy Browne and Sarah Leyland
Co-Headteachers**

TERM DATES FOR 2018/2019

To make you aware of the proposed term dates for the next academic year. These may be subject to change after conversion to the Oaks Academy.

AUTUMN TERM 2018

Tuesday 4th September – Wednesday 19th December

HALF TERM: 22nd – 26th October

INSETs Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th September

SPRING TERM 2019

Thursday 3rd January – Friday 5th April

HALF TERM: 18th – 22nd February

INSETs Thursday 3rd January and Friday 4th January

SUMMER TERM 2019

Tuesday 23rd April – Wednesday 24th July

HALF TERM: 27th – 31st May

INSET Friday June 28th

Maths Week



Tree Planting



Book Day



E-Safety Week



Chicks in School



Drumming Workshop



Commonwealth Medallist
Gymnast Visit



Sports Relief

Second place in Scarecrow
Community Competition

