



23rd September 2021

## Cross Country - Tomorrow (Friday 24th September)

Our new Early Years children took part in their cross country event today on the field. It was so lovely to have parents back in school cheering the children on. Congratulations to Sapphire who won the Early years races this year.

Tomorrow all the children in Year 1 to 6 will be taking part in their run on the gallops. The children can come to school in their PE kits. We want to encourage them to wear a T-shirt of their house colour if they have one available. Please ensure they have the correct footwear as well. Trainers are best, but children can wear plimsolls. (Children who wear their school uniform on Friday will be given an opportunity to change before their race).

Parents and Carers are very welcome to come along and cheer the children on. To ensure we keep the children safe, please do not encourage your child to leave their class group to give you a cuddle or say hello. This will help the teachers a great deal. If you bring a dog with you, please can it be kept on a lead during the races.

We are really looking forward to our first whole school event for a very long time.

## Race Times for Friday 24th September

Time	Year Group	Race
9.00	Yr6	1 small & 1 long lap
9.30	Yr2	1 small lap (Start at top of path)
9.50	Yr1	1 small lap (Start at top of path)
10.00	Yr3	1 small lap
11.10	Yr4	1 long lap
11.40	Yr5	2 small laps

## COVID - Update

Please ensure you keep your child at home if they are unwell and if they have one of the recognised symptoms, please get them tested with a PCR test.

To ensure we can provide work for any child isolating, please ensure your child can access their Google Classroom account. If you are having any difficulties logging in, please contact your child's class teacher.

## Dogs on the school grounds

Dogs must never be brought onto the school site. If you do walk to school with your dog, they must be kept on the road and never enter the grey gates. Thank you.

## Parent Governor Roles

We currently have 2 parent governor vacancies. If you wish to stand for election as a Parent Governor for the school, please complete the enclosed nomination form and return it in a sealed envelope to Martin Garratt, Headteacher, no later than **1pm** on **Tuesday 28th September 2021**. Your nomination needs to be supported by the signatures and addresses of two other parents of children who also attend Vale School. You may include an election statement in the appropriate space on the nomination form. If you require a paper copy of the nomination form, please ask at Reception. More details are attached in this email.

## Starting School in September 2022

We are running tours for prospective parents of children who will start school in September 2022. Can I ask that you help us publicise these tours. We will be posting on facebook so if you can spread the word, it will be much appreciated.

If you would like to book a place on a tour please contact us: 01903 872322 or [Office@valeschool.org](mailto:Office@valeschool.org)

## Parent Tour Dates for this half term

Date	Time
28.9.21	2pm
29.9.21	9.30am
30.9.21	2pm
8.10.21	9.30am
20.10.21	9.30am
20.10.21	1.45pm
17.11.21	9.30am
1.12.21	9.30am

## Does your child want to learn to play the drums?

Milo Fell is our excellent drum teacher. If you would like to find out more about drum lessons for your child here at school, please contact us and we can put you in touch with Milo.

## Uniform

Thank you for your support in ensuring the children are wearing the correct uniform. We are going to continue to give children the option of coming to school in their PE kits on the days they have PE for the rest of this term. We will review this in November and let you know the plans for January before the end of term. If your child wishes to wear their uniform and change for PE they will be given the opportunity to do so.

## PE Days for each class

	Class	Days	Class	Days	Class	Days
<b>Early Years</b>	Sun	Friday	Moon	Friday	Earth	Friday
<b>Year 1</b>	1SB	Monday Friday	1AK	Monday Friday	1SA	Monday Friday
<b>Year 2</b>	2JR	Wednesday Friday	2LB	Tuesday Thursday	2SK	Tuesday Thursday
<b>Year 3</b>	3JB	Monday Friday	3HD	Monday Tuesday	3RG	Monday Tuesday
<b>Year 4</b>	4HG	Tuesday Wednesday	4CD	Tuesday Wednesday	4CG	Tuesday Wednesday
<b>Year 5</b>	5LN	Wednesday Thursday	5WC	Tuesday Wednesday	5CH	Monday Wednesday
<b>Year 6</b>	6MS	Wednesday Thursday	6AP	Wednesday Thursday	6JK	Monday Thursday

## Change to the Last Day of the Summer Term

We informed you in our last newsfeed of the additional non-working day for schools which has been allocated by the government to mark the Queen's Jubilee. The last day of the summer term will now be Thursday 21st July 2022.

## Cherrytree

A **booking** form for this exciting holiday club is attached to this email.



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## Swimming Lessons

Attached to this parentmail is information about swimming lessons at Crest Swim School.



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## Important Dates to Remember.....

2021/2022 Academic Year	
Friday 24th September 2021	Inter-House Cross Country run
Monday 4th October 2021	Harvest Assembly
Tuesday 12th October 2021	Individual Photos
Saturday 16th October 2021	Worthing Schools Cross Country event
Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st October 2021 (3.30 - 6.30pm)	Parents Evenings
Monday 25th - Friday 29th October 2021	Half Term Break
Monday 1st November 2021	Inset Day 3
Wednesday 3rd November 2021	Flu Vaccination for all year groups
Friday 12th November 2021	Non-uniform day for Christmas Fair donations
Friday 3rd December 2021	Christmas Fair
Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th December 2021 (9.15am)	Early Years Nativity
Wednesday 8th December 2021	Yr6 Carol Service
Friday 10th December 2021 (9.15am & 2.15pm)	Yr2 Christmas Show
Tuesday 14th December 2021 (9.15am & 2.15pm)	Yr1 Christmas Show
Wednesday 15th December 2021 (9.15am & 2.15pm)	Yr3 Christingle
Friday 17th December 2021	Last Day of the Autumn Term 9am Whole School Assembly
Tuesday 4th January 2022	Inset Day 4
Wednesday 5th January 2022	First Day of the Spring Term
Monday 31st January 2022	Inset Day 5
Friday 11th February 2022	School Discos
Monday 21st - Friday 25th February 2022	Half Term Break
Friday 18th March 2022	FOV Cake Sale
Friday 8th April 2022	Last Day of Spring Term
Monday 25th April 2022	First Day of the Summer Term
Monday 2nd May 2022	Bank Holiday
Monday 30 May - Friday 3rd June 2022	Half Term Break
Friday 10th June 2022	Non-uniform day for Summer Fair donations
Friday 1st July 2022	Summer Fair
Thursday 21st July 2022	Last Day of the Summer Term/Academic Year