



30th September 2021

## COVID update

It is vitally important that if your child has one of the COVID symptoms (cough, high temperature or loss of taste and smell) they stay home and must have a PCR test. These can be booked on [this link](#)

Once you receive the results, please email us a copy for our records. If they are negative, and are well, they can return to school.

Lateral Flow Tests should only be used to check for COVID if a child has no symptoms.

## Cross Country

We had a wonderful morning on the Gallops last Friday for our Inter-House Cross Country run. It was lovely to see so many parents supporting the event.

Here are the results

Position	House	Score
1st	Amber	1110
2nd	Ruby	1011
3rd	Sapphire	922
4th	Emerald	732

Congratulations Amber!

## Parent Governor Roles

We are pleased to inform you that three parents have put themselves forward for the position of Parent Governor. Therefore we are now asking you to vote for TWO candidates. A Ballot paper will have come home today with one of your children. Please place an X in two of the relevant boxes, against your choice of candidates. Please read the instructions below and return the voting paper by **1pm on Monday 11th October 2021**.

1. Vote by placing X in the box of the **2** candidates of your choice. Please do not mark this ballot paper in any other way.
2. Do not vote for more than **2** candidates.
3. Each parent is entitled to complete one ballot paper.
4. Each parent must vote on a separate form.
5. Please return the form, by hand or by post, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "**BALLOT PAPER**" to the Headteacher, to arrive no later than **1pm on Monday 11th October 2021**.

Thank you for taking the time to vote.

## Harvest

On Monday 4th October, some of the Year 5 pupils will be leading our Harvest Assembly. We would like to support Turning Tides, a local homeless charity, again this year. To make a donation please visit their Just Giving page. Thank you.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/harvestheroes2021>

## Individual Photos

On Tuesday 12th October the children will have their individual photos taken. Children should come to school in their school uniform with their school jumper. If your child has PE that day, they should bring their PE kit to school. They will have an opportunity to change for their PE lesson

## Coats

The weather is changing so please ensure your child has a coat in school.

## Early Years New Outside Area

The children in Early Years and Year 1 are enjoying our new outside area. If you wear high heels, please do not walk over the soft-pour surfaces. Thank you.

## 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. 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
20.10.21	9.30am
20.10.21	1.45pm
17.11.21	9.30am
1.12.21	9.30am

## Other News

**Chartwells** are recruiting for a kitchen assistant to work at Vale School. An advert is attached

**Starting School** - September 2022 - Information from West Sussex on starting school is attached to this parent mail.

**Your local Cub Scout Group Needs Adult Leaders** - We are in urgent need of adults to become leaders in our Cub Pack. We meet Wednesday evenings 6.45-8.15pm. If no adults come forward to support our current Cub Leader – we will have to close.

If you are interested in exploring all that scouting can offer you and help the local children at the same time, please contact us for more information.

It is very rewarding and fun for all in a supportive team.

Janet Chapman – [janet@1stfindonvalleyscouts.org.uk](mailto:janet@1stfindonvalleyscouts.org.uk)  
Mandy Saunders – [mandy@1stfindonvalleyscouts.org.uk](mailto:mandy@1stfindonvalleyscouts.org.uk)

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## Important Dates to Remember.....

2021/2022 Academic Year	
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