



6th January 2022

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring term.

New Staff at Vale

We are pleased to welcome the following staff this term:

- Mrs Collins - Deputy Headteacher
- Mr Horn - Sports Coach
- Miss Boswell - Midday Meals Supervisor
- Miss Partner - Teaching Assistant in Year 1

COVID update

Currently we have 5 positive cases across the school. Our current plan is to maintain the arrangements we had in place last term. If your child has symptoms, please get them tested and let us know the result. To help reduce the risk of transmission we are keeping year groups separated at playtimes and encouraging the children to wash hands regularly.

If we have teachers absent, we will continue to use supply teachers, if they are available. However, if we do not have anyone to teach a class and cannot cover this using other staff in school we will have to send classes or year groups home. This will only take place as a last resort as we are committed to keeping all children in school. We will try to give you as much warning as possible if this has to happen. If we do have to send children home we will use Google Classroom to post work and provide some live teaching.

World Book Day

This year World Book Day are celebrating 25 years on Thursday 3rd March. We are going to mark the occasion with a special dressing up day for the whole school. We would like to invite the children to dress up as a character from a book (not a superhero) and during the day we will be running special Reading and book related activities.

Important Dates to Remember.....

2021/2022 Academic Year	
Monday 17th January 2022	Clubs Start
Monday 31st January 2022	Inset Day 5
Friday 11th February 2022	School Discos
Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th February 2022	Parents evenings (Teachers will be available 2 of the evenings for appointments - More details to follow soon)
Monday 21st - Friday 25th February 2022	Half Term Break
Friday 18th March 2022	FOV Cake Sale
Wednesday 30th March 2022	Class Photographs

Tuesday 5th and Thursday 7th April 2022	Year 4 Production
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
Tuesday 7th June 2022	Meeting for parents of children starting school in September (6pm)
Friday 10th June 2022	Non-uniform day for Summer Fair donations
Friday 1st July 2022	Summer Fair
Wednesday 6th July 2022	Transition Day - Children meet their new teacher for next year
Monday 11th July 9.15am	Year 5 & 6 Sports Day
Tuesday 12th July 9.15am	Early Years Sports Day
Wednesday 13th July 9.15am	Year 3 & 4 Sports Day
Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th July 9.15am	Year 6 Production
Friday 15th July 9.15am	Year 1 & 2 Sports Day
Wednesday 20th July 2022	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Thursday 21st July 2022	Last Day of the Summer Term/Academic Year