



# Frome Valley First School News Weekly

*"Together, with God's love, we learn,  
nurture and grow, without limits."*



## Stars of the Week



Reception	Bo
Year 1	Oscar
Year 2	Lexie
Year 3	Olivia H
Year 4	Emily

## Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all the families that have returned their questionnaires.

We have **25** responses so far (from 97!).

A reminder that the questionnaires are one per family. Your views are important to us, so if you can take the time to respond we would be very grateful.

Please can they be returned by **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February**.

**THANK YOU**

## Safer Internet Day

This year we are taking part in safer internet day a little bit earlier, on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, as we have science week on the official day.

The theme is:

*Inspiring Change*

Further information can be found at the below link.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers>



## PTFA Magic Show

A quick reminder that the magic show is next **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**. Please bring all completed slips to the school office.



## Terracycle

Did you know that we recycle pens, highlighters and other writing instruments through Terracycle? The link below shows items we can accept.

<https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades/bic-uk#@54.39586446195522:-2.83447377734376zoom:5>

Please bring any items to the school office.



## Parent Drop In – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January

This term's parent drop in takes place this **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January**.

This is when you are able to drop in and look at your child's work and let them show you their classroom.

If you would then like to speak to the teacher, just let the teacher know. If the teacher needs to speak to you, she will also come over and speak to you. Please remember that if you wish to speak to your child's teacher for longer than a few minutes then we are happy to arrange a separate time.

For drop-ins, there is an early morning session from **8.15 - 8.40am** and an afternoon session from **2.15 - 3pm**.

You can drop in at any time during this session and we look forward to seeing you there.

## Science Week / Science Fair

The last week of this half term is our Science Week. Each day will focus on a particular area of science and will be jam-packed with exciting learning activities to inspire new and budding scientist! More news will follow, but we wanted to you to have time to prepare in advance for our Science Fair.



### Science Fair Competition

Calling all Albert Einsteins and Rosalind Franklins!! On **Thursday 8th February**, we are hosting an American-style Science Fair! This will be a fantastic opportunity for children to explore science at home and could be a fun project for all the family to get involved in!

You are welcome to come in to be with your child from 2.15pm to help set up their project. We will then open the school up **between 2.30 and 3.00pm** for everyone to view the projects.

Projects can be big or small and on any area of science that your child wants to learn more about. Projects might include finding a way to collect the ever-increasing amounts of plastic in the sea, building an erupting volcano, designing an aerodynamic paper aeroplane, making a model solar system or explaining how our ears hear. Please try and join in to make this a fantastic, informative and fun event to kick start science week!

For more ideas you can visit these websites:

- <https://www.weareteachers.com/easy-science-experiments/>
- <https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/130374/50-science-fair-project-ideas-for-elementary-to-high-school-kids/>

**First prizes will be awarded to children in each class.**

It's time to turn all Frome Valley pupils into Scientists!!

## Upcoming Events: Dates for your Diary!

<b>25<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Parent Drop In 8.15 – 8.40am and 2.15-3pm	<b>5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Special School Week Science
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	Safer Internet Day (instead of 06/02/24)	<b>9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	INSET Day – school closed to children
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	PTFA – Magic Show (after school)	<b>12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Half Term

## What are we learning in our classrooms this week?

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
In Literacy, we will be reading 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will be using describing words to talk about the Giant.	In Literacy, we will be working on sentence construction - ensuring our sentences make sense!	In Literacy, we will continue our work on fact files, looking at the differences between factual and fictional texts.	In Literacy, we are learning how to write a non-chronological report.	In Literacy, alongside our work on The Butterfly Lion, we will be learning about speech in writing.
We are learning about 6, 7 and 8. We will be representing these numbers in different ways and finding one more and one less than each of them.	In Numeracy, we will be focusing on number lines to 20 - completing missing numbers and estimating where numbers should go on the number line.	In Numeracy, we will be using the multiplication symbol and learning how to group and share.	In Numeracy, we are learning the formal written method to multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number.	In Numeracy, we are solving problems involving multiplying and adding, and correspondence problems such as n objects are connected to m objects
In Science, we will be choosing materials and making a floating raft for the Gingerbread man to cross the river.	In Computing, we will be programming Beebots to move forwards, backwards and turn in order to reach a specific place on a grid.	In Geography, we will be learning about the countries in the United Kingdom.	In History, we are finding out where and why the Roman Emperor Hadrian wanted to build a wall.	In Design and Technology, we are learning how to construct frame structures and what the different parts are called.

**Do ask your child about their learning!**

**If you need any further information, please speak to your child's class teacher.**

## Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks

A reminder to everyone that we are a nut free school. Please ensure that all lunches, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help