



Frome Valley First School News Weekly



Helpers Urgently Required!!

It's that time again when the school asks, begs and pleads for helpers!! We are asking for any parents, grandparents, relatives or local villagers to come and spend a morning or afternoon in school each week. We especially need help with listening to the children read. Reception and Year 1 also often need help in their classrooms as well. If you are listening to children read, it's a lovely time where you read together outside the classroom. You then write a brief note in the child's reading record and in the teacher's reading record. It's as simple as that! Children love reading to an individual but we cannot do this without your help. So, if you can offer a regular morning or afternoon and would like to volunteer, please speak to Jane or Sian in the office.

Data Collection Forms

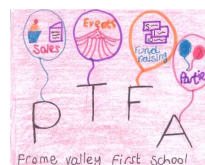
Later this week, all children will be given a data collection form. Please can all the information (particularly telephone numbers) be checked, signed and returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

Shoe Boxes for Preschool

Preschool are looking for donations of shoeboxes – all sizes! Please can any boxes be either brought to the school office or dropped off at Preschool. Thank you.

PTFA News

The PTFA all hope you had a really good Summer break. Can we remind you that the Annual General Meeting is to be held in school this **Friday 15th September at 3.30pm**. A letter has today been emailed home giving full information, including a nomination slip. Please place any nomination forms in the yellow box outside the school office If you are able please come along. There will be games and toys available for your children to play with if needed. See you all there!



After School Activities

After school athletics is now full. However, there is still space in all other clubs. Please speak to the staff in the office, if you would like more information.

Safeguarding and Child Protection

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We have a Safeguarding Policy that can be accessed on the school's website for your information. The designated safeguarding lead (DSL) for Child Protection is **Ms Julie Thorp** and the Deputy DSL is **Miss M Carter**. If you have any worries or concerns then please speak to one of these members of staff. There is also more information on the school website. Thank you

Year 4 Football Skills with Trevor Senior

This half term, every Friday morning, Year 4 will have a lesson in football skills with Trevor Senior. Please can parents ensure that children have in school a suitable outdoor P.E kit – something for whatever the weather brings us!

Reception Class and eSchools

Later this week, parents of children in the Reception class will be sent full details of eSchools and details of how to log in. Please note that, from then onwards, paper copies of letters will not be sent home.

DASP Music

DOES YOUR CHILD ENJOY PERFORMING? WOULD YOU LIKE THEM TO LEARN AN INSTRUMENT? THEN GET INVOLVED IN A DASP MUSIC ENSEMBLE!!!!

We have many DASP Music ensembles running weekly in various locations across Dorchester. ***The following groups are suitable for first school students:***

Skylarks Choir – come and sing a variety of songs in harmony in a fun and relaxed environment. Years 2-6. Thursdays, 3.45 – 4.30pm @ Manor Park First School

Beginners Uke Troupe – learn to play the ukulele in a friendly group, sing songs and have fun! – suitable for complete beginners. Years 1 – 4. Wednesdays 5 – 5.30pm @ Thomas Hardy School

Training Windband – for those already learning a wind/brass instrument (suitable for beginners up to grade 2 standard). Wednesdays 4 – 4.55pm @ Thomas Hardy School

Stringalings – for those already learning an orchestral string instrument (suitable for beginners up to grade 2 standard). Wednesdays 4 – 4.45pm @ Thomas Hardy School

Treblemakers Boys Vocal Group – for all boys in years 4 – 8. Sing pop songs in a fun and relaxed environment with other boys. Tuesdays 3.45 – 4.45pm @ Dorchester Middle School

Colourstrings music sessions – general music sessions for KS1 children. Learn the basics of music through singing, rhythm and games.

We are particularly hoping some reception children might be interested in joining this class.

Wednesdays 3.45- 4.30pm and 4.30-5.15pm @ Damers First School

To register your interest or to find out more, please

email daspmusic@thomas-hardye.net or visit our website www.daspmusic.co.uk

All ensembles start w/c 18th September.