



Frome Valley First School News Weekly



Welcome Back

We hope that everyone enjoyed the Easter break and were able to spend some time with family and friends. This half term is very short – only 24 days of school! However, we will still manage to fit in lots of exciting things including, at the end of May, our May Day Celebrations.

Paper Letters

A reminder to parents that we are no longer sending home paper copies of letters from the school office. All communication will be via eSchools. If you visit the school website, you will also find an area called Newsletters – this is where all the News Weekly letters will be. Also under the heading 'Key Information' is a section called 'Letters Home'. Letters will also be uploaded here for parents to view. If you need an eSchools login reminder, please speak to the staff in the office as soon as possible.

Year 1 trip – Food Glorious Food

Year 1 are visiting Pizza Express and Tesco on **Thursday 11th May** as part of their Creative Curriculum topic. Full details and permission slips will be sent home in the next few days.

Year 3 – Science Enrichment

Year 3 are visiting Thomas Hardy School for a science enrichment on **Friday 5th May**. Full details and permission slips will be sent home in the next few days.

Inset Days for 2017 – 2018

These are the INSET days for the next academic year:

Monday 4th September

Tuesday 5th September

Monday 30th October

Friday 9th February

Wednesday 25th July.

This means that the first day that children return to school in the new academic year is

Wednesday 6th September.

Dorset County Hospital Cancer Appeal – 5p Challenge

Thank you to everyone that has so far donated their 5 pence coins. The class pots are slowly filling up. Please can any further donations be with school by this Wednesday, ready to see how far we can go!!



PSHCE – Healthy Skills

This month, the focus for whole school PSHCE is 'staying safe outside and personal safety'. Children will be discussing this as part of their PSHCE curriculum and then follow on with a piece of homework linked to the subject.



School Play

Just before the Easter Break, there was great excitement in Year 4 as the school play was announced. This year our whole school production is :

Beauty and the Beast

Year 4 play the main parts. However, all children will have a turn in the spotlight by taking part in a class dance.



Incredible Years Top Tips and Top Up Sessions

Sure Start Children's Centres are running a couple of drop in sessions in Dorchester Library over the next few months. If you are struggling with your child's behaviour and want some help, their advice and help can be invaluable.

The sessions are on Monday 5th June and Monday 3rd July from 10am – 12pm.

For more information, please contact westfamilypartnershipzone@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Milk Bottle Tops

We have an ongoing collection of milk bottle tops. If anyone knows of any group or charity that are collecting them, we now have a large black bag full. Please speak to the office staff if you would like them.

Summer weather!!

A few reminders to parents now we are in the summer term and will hopefully have lots of sunshine! Please can parents ensure that their children have in school a named sun hat and that, if the weather is warm, they have sun screen applied before school. We recommend that parents apply a long lasting sun cream rather than reapplying during the school day. If this is not possible, please ensure that all bottles that come to school are named. ***Please be advised that children will need to apply the cream themselves.*** For safety reasons, please remember that children need to wear suitable footwear. Flip flops, open toed sandals, trainers and croc style shoes are **not** allowed in school.

Diary Dates for this half term

April 2017

26th Year 2 visit Safewise

May 2017

1st **Bank Holiday – children not in school**

5th Year 3 Science Enrichment @ Thomas Hardy School

11th School Nurse drop in **9am**

11th Year 1 Summer outing

23rd Parent drop in session (**8.15 – 8.40am and 2.15 – 3pm**)

25th May Day Celebrations **1.30pm** – all welcome

26th Reserve May Day Celebrations **1.30pm** (if wet on 25th)

26th Last day of half term

29th – 2nd June School closed for holidays

