



# Frome Valley First School News Weekly



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

## Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are the:

### **'Stars of the Week'**

Reception: Lauryn

Year 1: Daisy

Year 2: Hope

Year 3: Faith

Year 4: Lily - Mae



## Parent Drop In – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

A reminder that our next drop in sessions are tomorrow. There is an early morning session from **8.15 – 8.40am** and an afternoon session from **2.15 – 3pm**. Parents will be able to speak to the class teacher and look at their child's work. Teachers can discuss your child's next step in their learning and how you can support your child at home. You can drop in at any time during this session and the class teachers look forward to seeing you there.

There are often many parents that would like to speak to the teacher so we ask that parents write their name on the whiteboard in the classroom as they arrive. Teachers will then speak to parents in order of their arrival!

## Textile Recycling

A reminder that the date for our next textile recycling is next **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**.. We will be accepting items in school **from this Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May to 9am on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**.

## Jubilee Tea Party – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

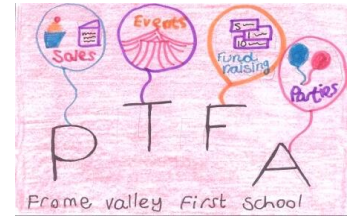
In celebration of The Queens Jubilee, we are holding a tea party on the afternoon of Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Full information was sent to parents last week. Please can all slips be returned as soon as possible. Either paper version or by email. Thank you.



## **PTFA News**

### **It's sponsorship time on Friday!**

During school time on Friday (20 May), your child will get the chance to help raise money for new library books at the PTFA's first ever: Big Bean Bag Bucket Challenge! They will have one minute to throw as many bean bags into a bucket as they can. Every child will come home with a participation certificate stating the number of bean bags that were on target. Please fill in your sponsorship forms, collect your donations and then hand in your completed forms plus your cash (or cheques payable to Frome Valley First School PTFA) next week – so we can count up the proceeds during the half term break.



Remember to Gift Aid so that the PTFA can get 25p for free from the HMRC for every £1 donated. Don't forget to fill in every column carefully on the sponsorship form so that our Treasurer, Liz, can make sure that all Gift Aid claims can be properly submitted via the Government website. There are prizes for the top 6 throwers too – so lots of fun will be had by all. Thanks for your support. We can always count on the generosity of our families at Frome Valley.

### **Calling all bakers!**

Two part-time teaching staff and one Frome grandparent have come forward to help the PTFA Committee run a refreshment stall plus raffle at May Day next week. We're ideally asking for home bakes (or shop bought donations) of individual cakes, muffins, cookies, flapjacks and brownies which will be sold for 50p. These are easier than larger, sliced cakes to hold and eat whilst watching the dancing. Please hand in all donations at drop off on May Day: Wednesday 25 May. Nut-free course!

Tea, coffee and cans will also be available to buy before, during and after the dancing. So don't forget your wallets and purses. There will also be a 'days out' raffle. £1 a strip. Watch out for the amazing list of prizes in next week's News Weekly. Just contact the office if you'd like to help the PTFA sell tickets, serve refreshments, set-up beforehand or wash up afterwards.

### **Thank you for your generosity!**

Thank you to everyone who gave a tombola donation last week. The Co-op tombola was a huge success on Saturday and nearly 100 prizes were won. All monies raised will be put towards the school's brand new library area.

### **The Lottery has raised £500!**

Well done and thank you to Saturday night's 'Your School Lottery' winner: Mr M. They have helped the PTFA raise £500 for the new school library since its launch back in September 2021. Want to join in and raise even more money for new books? Just visit 'your school lottery' and search for Frome Valley to register then buy either a month's worth of tickets for £4 OR set up a direct debit for a weekly £1 ticket. Good luck!

### **No PTFA volunteers = No PTFA!**

No one has stepped forward yet to help keep the PTFA up and running from September onwards when the Year 4 children of two long-standing Committee members (Kerri and Niki) go to middle school. Our Treasurer Liz (mum of Benjamin in Year 2) also wants to train up a new person to take on her role next year. Please get in touch with the office to show your interest. If everyone pulls together, you can make a real difference to the school – no matter how much or how little spare time you have to give.

### Items Needed

Preparations for the school play have started with earnest and props are being built by the TA's in school. If you have any of the below items, we would be very grateful.

**2 litre bottles – we need 32 of them!**

**Brown packaging paper – used in packaging Amazon products etc as it's more porous.**

**Newspapers**

**Large cardboard boxes**

Please bring any items to the school office. Many thanks.

### Absence from School in Term Time

Can we remind parents that if your child is due to be absent from school (on holiday) we need to have a completed 'Application for leave of absence form', even if it is for just one day. We would also ask parents to be honest with us, if they are taking their children away. Children are innately honest and love to tell their teachers what they have been doing and where!!

### May Day Celebrations

A reminder to all that May Day is next week, On the day, girls can wear summer dresses (not too long) and boys can wear smart trousers (not jeans) and a smart shirt, or the children can just wear school uniform. Children can come into school wearing these clothes and keep them on all day

Please remember that, if the weather is warm, children will be outside for quite a few hours so sun cream and a sun hat are essential. **Children must have their plimsolls for our May Day celebrations.**



**May Day - Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 1.15pm**  
**Reserve May Day – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 1.15pm**

*All are welcome to this special event*

### 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

