



Frome Valley First School News Weekly



Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are the Stars of this week.

'Star of the Week'

Year 1: Zoe

Year 2: Gwendoline

Year 3: Alfie

Year 4: Molly



Harvest Festival Service

A reminder to everyone that our Harvest Festival service is taking place this Thursday 4th October at 9am in St Aldhelm Church. We look forward to welcoming parents, friends and relatives to the first event of this academic year.

Harvest Festival Donations to the Food Bank

This year, for Harvest Festival, we are supporting Dorchester Food Bank which is run from Dorchester Baptist Church.

The following items are able to be donated to this very worthy cause. Items can be brought into school until this Friday 5th October. Thank you in advance for all your donations.

<i>Milk (UHT or powdered)</i>		<i>Tins of:</i>
<i>Cereal</i>		<i>Meat</i>
<i>Pasta/rice</i>		<i>Fish</i>
<i>Pasta sauce</i>		<i>Vegetables</i>
<i>Tea bags</i>		<i>Soup</i>
<i>Instant coffee</i>		<i>Baked beans</i>
<i>Instant mashed potato</i>		<i>Fruit</i>
<i>Sugar</i>		<i>Rice pudding</i>
<i>Biscuits and snack bars</i>		<i>Sponge pudding</i>
<i>Toilet rolls and toiletries</i>		<i>Custard</i>
<i>Jam</i>		

Flu Vaccination Wednesday 31st October

All children in school are this year being offered a flu vaccination (nasal spray). Full information and a consent form have today been sent home to parents. ***Please note that all forms either giving or not giving consent need to be returned to the school office by Wednesday 17th October at the very latest.*** Thank you.

PTFA News

School disco date announced

There will be a school disco for all year groups on Friday 23rd November (3.15pm to 5pm). So please put the date in your calendar. For the first time children's entertainer, Simon Western – aka 'Count Backwards' – will be leading the fun. He'll be armed with an abundance of well thought-out, interactive party games, competitions and 'party' dances to get all of the children up on their feet. Permission slips will be sent out nearer the time with more details. The cost will be £3.



Christmas Gift Shop opening soon!

The school office has just emailed a letter giving full details of our brand new Christmas fundraiser. Your child will be able to choose a gift for a special adult in their life which will be all wrapped up and labelled by them to put under the Christmas tree. We will need completed order forms and payment by Friday 19 October so that we can start shopping. Thank you again for your support.

Help raise money for the PTFA whilst you shop online!

We've registered with easyfundraising and we need your help! easyfundraising is a great website where you can help Frome Valley First School PTFA raise funds simply by doing your everyday online shopping with over 3,300 big name retailers like: Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S. Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say 'thank you' and it's completely free too! We want to raise as much as possible so please sign up and help us at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fromevptfa/>. Just click on 'Support this cause' to get started then get in the habit of starting your online shopping by clicking through from easyfundraising's website.

Please join us on Facebook!

If you haven't already done so, please join the Frome Valley First School PTFA Facebook group. It's a great way to get reminders for dress down days and other school events.

Walk to School Wednesday and Plastic Free Lunch Day

This Wednesday (3rd October) is the date of our first 'Walking Wednesday' of this academic year. This is the day that we ask **as many parents and children as possible to walk, cycle or scooter to school**. Anything but the car! We will then let you know the results next week.

Also, on this day, following on from the initiative last July that we took part in, we will also be holding a **plastic free lunch day** and are asking for your help. Please try to use alternatives to single use plastic wrapper bag like cling film. Can you reduce the amount of small plastic contains (single wrapped cheese etc)? For any tips and advice, follow this link

<http://www.plasticfreejuly.org/a-z-alternatives.html>

Thank you for your support

The Eco Schools Team

Parent Governor

Last week, we sent home to parent's information on a parent governor vacancy that we currently have.

If you would like to stand for election, please remember to complete the nomination form and return it to the school office no later than **Monday 8th October 2018**.

If you would like more information on what is involved, please speak to the school office.

Parent Drop In

The first of this year's drop in sessions is on **Tuesday 9th October**. 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 is an early morning session from **8.15 – 8.40am** and an afternoon session from **2.15 – 3pm**.

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!

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.

Year 3 Ridgeway outing – Monday 8th October

Year 3 are visiting various areas along the Dorset Ridgeway on **Monday 8th October**. Please can all permission slips and monies be returned to the school office as soon as possible.

Year 2 – Ringstead Beach

Year 2 are visiting Ringstead Beach on **Thursday 11th October**. Please can permission slips and monies be returned to the school office as soon as possible. ***Please remember that if you wish to have an away day lunch ordered for your child we need to know by tomorrow – Tuesday 2nd October.*** Thank you.

Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks

A reminder to everyone that we have a child in school who has a very severe nut allergy. Please ensure that all lunches and snacks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help.

