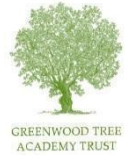




Frome Valley First School News Weekly



Star of the Week

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

'Star of the Week'

Reception: Finley
Year 1: Honey
Year 2: Lilly
Year 3: Logan
Year 4: Erin



Children In Need

Thank you to everyone that donated to this very worthy cause. We are pleased to advise that we raised **£123.25**.

Sharing Assembly

A reminder that Sharing Assembly, for the Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 takes place tomorrow, **Tuesday 20th November**, starting at 2pm. All parents, relatives and friends are welcome.



Cold Weather

As most parents are aware, our playground has its own climate and is often very, very windy! With the colder weather now approaching, please can all children have in school a coat, gloves and a hat (all named please) to help keep warm at break time and lunchtime. Thank you.

Class Dojo

We have been asked by several parents if they can access Class Dojo from home to see their child's class moments. We are sorry but this is something that we do not offer at the moment.

PTFA News

We're fundraising for new playground equipment

You probably already know that your children have just voted for their favourite design of new playground equipment which will replace the condemned wooden play trail. Of course they all picked the most expensive option! The school have therefore asked for £1000 of additional PTFA money to top up their existing sports funding. All profits made from the disco, Christmas raffles, Christmas Gift Shop and the upcoming Christmas Fair will be added to the £296 raised from the Bake Off and 'DIY' Christmas Cards to put towards this and cover the cost of the recent £350 donation for Humanities Week. Thank you for supporting all of our fundraisers this term.



Warm cookies for sale on Thursday

Following the success of this summer's after-school ice cream stall, the PTFA will be selling warm, home-baked cookies in the playground at pick-up on Thursday 22 November for 40p each or 3 for £1. If your child will be at Happy Valley that day and you'd like them to have a cookie, please give their 40p to the school office in the morning. The school office has also emailed you our cookie poster.

Dress Down Day for tombola prizes

It's Dress Down Day in exchange for bottles for the Christmas tombola this **Friday 23 November**. For those of you who are new to the school, we are able to accept alcohol. Thank you for all of your generous donations.

It's disco time on Friday!

Experienced children's entertainer - DJ Simon from Count Backwards Entertainments – will be running the school disco this **Friday 23 November** from 3.15pm to 5pm. Disco letters with all of the details are on the carousel. Please hand in your completed permission slips to the office – along with a donation of £3 per child – by Wednesday. Don't forget to help us claim a further 25p per £1 by ticking the Gift Aid box and adding your name, address with postcode plus signature!

If you are able to help us on the night, please write your name on the volunteer sheets that are outside each classroom. It's Dress Down Day on Friday so children can come in wearing disco clothes or may bring an outfit to change into along with a snack - if required. Squash and biscuits will be available to children throughout the disco.

Keep bringing in your pre-loved fluffy toys

We're still looking for your quality, second-hand soft toy donations to use as prizes on a Christmas Fair stall. A plastic box is outside the school office for any more donations that you may have. Thank you.

Closure of school due to snow

Thinking ahead, we thought we would remind parents of the procedures that we will follow if we have to close school because of snow.

A decision will be made as early as possible if the school is not to open. You will receive a text message from the school. There will also be a list of schools that are closed on the Dorset for You website: www.mapping.dorsetforyou.com/closedservices

You can also listen to the local radio stations: Wessex FM 96- 97.2, Heart FM 102.3 as they read out the list of schools from the Dorset For You site.

If a decision is made to close school during the day, we will text parents asking them to collect their children. Please be advised that children can only be collected by the parents/ relatives that we already have authorisation for (unless we hear from parents directly).

Please note: we only have one phone line and it can be very difficult to get in touch with us at such busy times. You can always email a response too. Thank you.

Film Club and After School Football

A reminder to all that there is **no film club or football this week** as the disco is taking place.

This was reflected in the fees paid for football. If you would alternatively like to book your child into Happy Valley, please speak to the office.

Nut Free / Mango Free School Lunches and Snacks

A reminder to everyone that we have in school a child and an adult with very severe nut and mango allergies respectively. Please ensure that all lunches and snacks do not contain nuts or mango. Thank you for your help.

