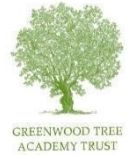




Frome Valley First School

News Weekly



Welcome Back

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable and restful half term break. This half term we have an exciting 6 weeks with World Book Day, Year 4 Singing Concert, School Disco and lots more!

Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are the

'Stars of the Week'

Reception: Phoebe

Year 1: Azaan

Year 2: Charlie

Year 3: Gwen

Year 4: Emma



Art Week

Wow!!! What a wonderful week the children had. Thank you to everyone that helped to make the week such a success. Special thanks to Mrs Ashby, Mrs Essex and Miss Dixon for all their time and effort in organising the week and arranging all the visitors. Thank you to all the children that entered the Art competition. The variety and talent of the children's work made it very difficult to choose. However, the winners are:

Reception Class – Benjamin

Year 1 – Bertie

Year 2 – Georgia

Year 3 – Harriet

Year 4 - Scarlett

Dorchester Family Partnership – Drop In

Dorchester Family Partnership Zone are once again holding their drop in at Frome Valley in the spring term. They will be on hand to discuss any issues you may have regarding your child's behaviour. They are able to offer practical advice themselves and can also signpost you to other services.

The next session is tomorrow, **Tuesday 25th February from 9-10.30am.**

If you would like any further information, please speak to Ms Thorp or Mrs Essex (Year 4 teacher and SENCO).

Year 4 DASP Singing Festival - Wednesday 4th March

Full details of the concert have been given to parents. Please can all permission slips be returned to school by this **Thursday 27th February**. Thank you.

Staffing

We would like to welcome to Frome Valley Mrs Gemma Martin, who will be teaching Year 3 this half term and Mrs Maddy Morris, our new lunchtime supervisor. We are also pleased to advise parents that Mrs Bronywn Croft will be joining Frome Valley after the Easter holidays to teach Year 3.

PTFA News

It's the School disco on Friday! (3.15pm to 5pm)

Please hand in completed permission slips plus £3 (cash or cheque) to the office ASAP this week. We're still looking for volunteers too so just sign up on the sheets outside of classrooms. Thank you.

Unwanted books needed

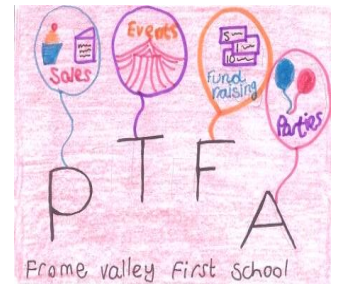
A book collection box has been put outside of the school office today. Any second-hand books are welcome - non-fiction and fiction, adult and children's books – to sell at 'Stories at 6' on World Book Day (Thurs 5 March). Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

Summer Event help

Time is ticking by and we still need your support to find local caterers and performers for our Summer Party on Saturday 6 June (2pm to 5pm) so please do get in touch via the school office. We're also looking to borrow space hoppers. Thank you again.

Art Week refreshments and cakes on Thursday

Thank you to everyone who either baked or bought refreshments and cakes or cookies on the last day before the school holidays. We raised £102.



World Book Day and Stories at 6 – Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

Before half term, we emailed parents a letter giving information on World Book Day (Thursday 5th March). To recap we would like all children to dress up this year with the theme of an unusual word! This is a great opportunity to explore new and exciting vocabulary with your child that you may come across when sharing books at home. If your child chooses to dress up, they need to wear a piece of paper or card with their chosen vocabulary written on this. Their costume then needs to reflect the chosen word. If your child does not wish to participate in dressing up, that is absolutely fine and they should come into school in their school uniform as normal. We look forward to seeing some exciting costumes and words!

Stories at 6

All children are invited to return to school in their PJ's or Onesie to listen to stories read by their teachers and to drink hot chocolate. Children will need to bring a plastic cup to school for their hot chocolate!

The session will finish at 6.30pm and parents are welcome to wait in the hall and have a hot drink while they wait!

After School Activities

This half term we have the following after school activities

Monday – Tag Rugby

Wednesday – Swimming and Recorder (Years 2 -4)

Friday – Film Club (Years 3 and 4)

If you would like further details, please speak to the staff in the office.

Hooke Court – Dietary Forms

Before half term, a letter was sent home to parents requesting dietary information for children in Year 4. Please note that this form has to be returned to school by **next Monday 2nd March** at the latest. Thank you.

Reception Class – Junk Modelling Required

The Reception class are looking for donations of junk modelling. Cereal boxes, yogurt pots etc. If you have anything suitable Miss Padfield and the children would be very grateful. Please bring any items to the office or the Reception class.

DIY Dads – Parent Support Group

With News Weekly today, we have emailed information on a group for men that looks at a range of issues commonly faced by parents and carers. The sessions are aimed to support men with DAD responsibilities.

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, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts or mango. Thank you for your help.

Please can we ask parents to double check ingredients in products. Mango appears in a number of items that you would not think of! Unfortunately the member of staff who has severe allergy doesn't need to eat or come into contact with mango to have a reaction. It only needs to be in the same room. Your help is very much appreciated by us all.

