



Frome Valley First School

News Weekly



Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are the

Stars of the Week'

Year 1: Olivia

Year 2: Ava

Year 3: Logan

Year 4: Alex G



Health and Safety

Morning Routine

Please can we remind parents that **when the second bell goes at 8.50am**, we need all parents to have left the school building by this time. From then onwards, children will either be making their way to Collective Worship or starting their learning. For the safety of everyone, we can't have parents still in school at this time.

Driving

We have had several reports of dangerous driving in the school car park. Please note that **the grass area is not to be routinely parked on**. To gain access to this area, the pavement has to be driven on, which is too dangerous. It is also unacceptable to **park or mount the pavement at any time** whilst driving in the school grounds.

Your help with both of these is very much appreciated.

Dates for School Nurse drop in sessions

Every half term, we have a drop in session for parents to come and talk to our school nurse (Specialist Community Public Health team), **Karen Caines**. She is able to help with a variety of issues including, bed-wetting, advice on head lice, healthy eating, support and much more.

The date for this half term is:

Tomorrow - Tuesday 24th September 8.50am

If you would like to speak to Karen, you just need to come to the school office at 8.50am – no appointment is required.

Crossways Library – Volunteers Needed

With News Weekly today, we have sent home a leaflet from Crossways Library asking for volunteers. Please ring them for further information.

Hot School Meals – 1st October

If you have ordered a hot meal for your child on the 1st October, please can parents check to make sure the correct choice is on the Local Food Links system. There was a problem with orders for the day, which we believe has been rectified successfully, but would appreciate parents double checking to make sure. Any problems, please speak to the staff in the office.

Pupil Premium

Today, we have emailed home to parents our 'Information Leaflet' on Pupil Premium. You may be aware that this is extra money that the government gives to schools to help children from lower income families to achieve their best.

Once more this year, we have a Pupil Premium Allowance, where we offer parents that are in receipt of Pupil Premium an annual allowance of £100 to use on school based activities. This includes: school uniform, trips, Hooke Court, music lessons and after school clubs. Pupil Premium Service Children are entitled to an annual Pupil Premium allowance of £25 per academic year.

If you are unsure if you qualify for Pupil Premium or would like any advice or assistance, please speak to the school office as soon as possible.

Parents whom are already in receipt of Pupil Premium will receive a payment allowance card by the end of this week.

Data Collection Forms

Thank you to everyone that has so far returned their data collection forms. Please can they be **returned to school office as soon as possible**. We want to make sure that we have the correct contact information for parents to ensure that, in an emergency, we can contact you easily and without delay. Thank you for your help.

Building / Construction Toys

Year 1 are looking for any donations of building, construction toys such as Lego or Meccano. If you have anything spare please bring them to the school office or Year 1.

Year 3 - Ridgeway Trip – 1st October

Details of Year 3's trip to the Dorset Ridgeway was emailed to parents on Friday. Please can parents ensure that permission slips and monies are returned to school as soon as possible.

Book Bags

Just to let parents know that we have now received our order of Book Bags. Please come to the office if you wish to purchase one.

PTFA News

Biscuit 'Bake Off' details

Following the success of last year's fundraiser, the Great Frome Valley Bake Off returns on Thursday 3 October...but this time it's all about 'harvest-themed' biscuits instead of cakes! Full details are on the entry form that has been emailed to you today by the school office. Please hand in your completed entry forms plus 50p by Tuesday 1 October. We had well over 40 entries last year and the children loved displaying their creations plus winning prizes and certificates. So please do either take part or come along to buy some biscuits (to eat in or take away!) and have a cup of tea. Also, don't forget that biscuits can keep fresh and tasty for a few days if they're stored in an air-tight container so you don't have to bake and decorate the night before! Thank you for your continued support.



Aldi 'Kit for Schools'

Don't forget to hand in your Team GB Stickers to the school office. Visit www.aldi.co.uk for all of the details. We have until 3 November 2019 to collect as many as we can.

Dare we mention Christmas?

It's never too early to make sure you have the Christmas Fair date in your diary! It's planned for Friday 6 December from 3.30pm to 5pm.

Beetle Drive update

The Beetle Drive at Owermoigne's village hall last Friday kick-started the PTFA's fund-raising this academic year with a £40 donation. Thank you to everyone who came along to support this event.

easyfundraising update

Don't forget help raise funds for Frome Valley First School PTFA whenever you shop online! Use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,600 big name retailers including Amazon, Argos, Ebay, and Domino's pizza – and when you shop, you'll raise a free donation for us every time. It's that easy! So far we have raised a total of £143 simply by doing our normal shopping. Help support us:
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fromevptfa/>

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.