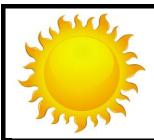


Frome Valley First School News Weekly





Welcome Back

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable break. We welcome all the children back to school and, in particular, the new children who have started at Frome Valley School and Preschool. We also welcome to Frome Valley Mrs Judith Essex who is our new Year 4 teacher, Deputy Headteacher and SENCO.

Citizenship Day

Tomorrow, **Thursday 6th September**, we are holding **our first Citizenship day** of the academic year. This is a day when we focus on anti-bullying and Global Citizenship. We would like all children to come to school wearing blue clothes.

This is to remind everyone of our **NO BULLYING** ethos, as blue is the universal 'no bullying' colour.

Job Adverts

We have two vacancies in school, both required for September/October:

- 1. Lunchtime Supervisor This is for 5 days per week 11.45am 1.15pm
- 2. Cleaner This is four 4 hours per day, normally 4-8pm.

These adverts will be advertised on Dorset for You this afternoon so please do apply if you are interested in either post. Please follow the following link: https://jobs.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/SearchResults.aspx?ocg=243 Please speak to Julie Thorp, the Headteacher, if you would like to discuss either post and what it entails.

Change of Name

Just to let all parents know that Mrs Palmer will now be known as Mrs Schoorens. Many thanks.

Metal water Bottles

Water bottles

Metal water bottles have now been given to the children whom have had one ordered for them. Forms have today been sent home to the Reception class. If there are any additional orders, we would be grateful if a completed form could be sent in to the school office as soon as possible.

Plastic water Bottles

We have a few new plastic water bottles left in stock that we no longer need. If anyone would like to purchase one for £1.50, please speak to the staff in the office.

Please note that all children must have a water bottle in class – if you don't wish to purchase one of the metal water bottles, please ensure that you provide a suitable, named alternative. Thank you.

Happy Valley and After School Clubs

Happy Valley (our breakfast and after school care facility) is open every day from 8.00 – 8.40am and 3.15 – 6.00pm.

If you would like to book a place for your child, please speak to the staff in the office. Please remember that places are limited and will be reserved on a first come, first served basis.

<u>After School Activities</u> Full details of after school clubs have been emailed to parents today. All clubs start next week.

Please note that for this term the only activity that the Reception class can do is swimming.

Eco Schools News

This school year, we are having half termly Walking Wednesdays again and on these days we will also be having a plastic free lunch. The first date will be announced shortly. We are very keen to see how you are using your produce bag and beeswax food wrap. Please send in pictures of you using them for our Eco display!

Lost Property

We have one more box of 'Lost Property' full of items found over the summer holidays. Please can parents have a look to see if they can reclaim anything. Any items not claimed by next **Monday 10th September** will be disposed of. Thank you.



PTFA News

What did we raise last year?

Your support and generosity helped the PTFA raise a staggering **£4421** last academic year. In turn, we gave £4165 to the school to spend on a new sound system plus other resources (such as playground zone equipment) in addition to money towards special weeks and activities which benefited all of our children. Thank you so, so much!



Please come to our AGM

Our AGM meeting is next week on **Thursday 13 September** and we really need some new faces to join the team - so please come along. We have to elect (or re-elect) all Committee members on an annual basis. This year we are looking for new 'event-focused' Committee members to take on roles such as leading the organisation of school discos and other fundraisers. Please email if you're keen on joining the Committee plus the role that you're interested in.

Last year your Committee members were:

Name	Position	Children
Denise Bunce	Chair	Jaxon, Year 3
Niki Bolton	Secretary	Amelia, Year 4 Hayden, Year 1
Katie Ayres-Turner	Treasurer	Abbie, Year 4 Zoe, Year 1
Kerri Aplin	Committee Member	Hayden, Year 3 Ashton, Year 1
Kate Davey	Committee Member	Nicole, Year 1 Jacob, Reception
Louise Powditch	Committee Member	John, Year 4 Georgia, Year 1
Bronwyn Croft	Committee Member	Alex, Year 3

If you're looking to be a regular PTFA helper – rather than a Committee member – please do join us on the 13th. We'd also love to see anyone who may have some new ideas for the fundraising calendar or has feedback on last year's activities. So everyone is more than welcome.

Thank you in advance for your continued support throughout the 2018/19 academic year. If you haven't already, please join the Frome Valley First School PTFA group on Facebook and don't forget to glance at the PTFA Noticeboard (between Year 2 and the reading books) to keep up-to-date.

Also email us at any time with your ideas or suggestions: <u>fromevalleyptfa@gmail.com</u>. Here's to another stellar year of fundraising for the school and our children!