

# VALE

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# NEWS

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## **MUFTI DONATION DAY TOMORROW!**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please can we encourage you to read these fortnightly newsletters as all information and forthcoming events are communicated through the newsletter. Separate letters will only be sent home if they require a reply slip to be completed or if it is a trip or activity for a specific year group. The newsletter is sent out by email, printed for those parents who have not signed up to parentmail and uploaded onto our website.

**Parent Consultation Evenings** – As you will have read in the last newsletter, we have two formal parent consultation evenings for parents of children in years 3 – 7 scheduled for Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 4.00 – 7.00 p.m. and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 4.00 – 7.00 p.m. The appointments will be planned on the basis that they will be a maximum of 10 minutes to allow you to discuss your child's progress to date with the teacher. If you have not yet arranged an appointment and would like to see either your child's teacher or Special Needs Co-ordinator Miss McConnell please telephone the school for details of available times and to book appointments.

**Industrial Action – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2011** – We are still waiting to learn the results of all union ballots regarding the proposed industrial action and possible strike on 30<sup>th</sup> November. I will let you know as soon as I can if the school is forced to close on 30<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Festive Fun with Friends of the Vale**

**Christmas Fair** - This year we are going to hold our Christmas Fair during the evening of **Thursday 8th December from 5 -7pm.**

We would love this to be an extra special Festive event for all the family to enjoy, with the children singing carols, parents and grandparents can enjoy a warm drink whilst the children buy their secret gifts for their family.

We also hope to have a variety of festive themed stalls, so if you are interested in having a stall, please contact us at [FOVale@gmail.com](mailto:FOVale@gmail.com)

**Friday 18th November - Mufti Donation Day** - Tomorrow we invite the children in all year groups, to come to school in their own clothes in return for a donation towards the Christmas Fair. Some of the donated items will be used to create luxury hamper prizes for the raffle and some will be used towards games or stalls on the night. Please be as generous as you feel able.

## Donation Day Requests

Year	Requested Items	
Early Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Luxury Biscuits</li> <li>• Chocolates/fudge</li> <li>• Speciality Teas / Herbal Tea Filter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hot Chocolate</li> <li>• Festive Pet Treats / toys</li> </ul>
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Mugs / Tea cup &amp; saucers</li> <li>• Christmas Pudding</li> <li>• Christmas Crackers</li> <li>• Luxury Preserves Marmalade / Jam</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breadsticks / Biscuits for Cheese</li> <li>• Pickled onions / Chutney/relishes</li> <li>• Olives</li> <li>• Luxury crisps / snacks / dried fruit</li> <li>• Wine &amp; Beer</li> </ul>
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2012 diaries</li> <li>• Stationery sets</li> <li>• Good as new gifts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Festive Pet Treats / Toys</li> <li>• Wine &amp; Beer</li> </ul>
Year 3 & 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Luxury Ladies toiletries body lotion, shower gel, bath bombs, hand cream, hair products, luxury bubble bath, body scrubs</li> <li>• New flannels, sponges, shower sponges / scrubs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children's bubble bath &amp; toiletries, hair accessories</li> <li>• Men's toiletries, shower gel, body spray</li> <li>• Stocking filler toys</li> </ul>
Year 5	Bottles please ... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wine Beer Soft drinks</li> </ul>	
Year 6 Year 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selection Boxes</li> <li>• Chocolate Oranges</li> <li>• Bags of Chocolate Coins</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Chocolate (Smarties, Maltesers, Rolos Toblerones etc)</li> <li>• Wine &amp; Beer</li> </ul>

**Request for help!** - As always, to successfully run these events we rely on volunteers to help on the day. We have sent home a reply slip if you are able to help, please complete this and return as soon as possible.

In addition, we need donations of good quality Teddy Bears to be re-homed in time for Christmas, these can be donated at Reception. We also need help with outdoor lighting for the fair and Christmas lights, etc.

If you are able to help in any way, please email us at FOVale@gmail.com.

**Bags2School Collection** -13th December, 9 am at gate. Fill a black bag or two with your unwanted clothing, shoes, bags, bedding, soft toys. Leave your bags at the school gate before 9am and the bags are collected by Bags2School. The items are recycled and the school is paid 50p per kilo, so the more we recycle the more we raise!

The next **school discos** will be held during the Spring Term.....check newsletter for dates

**Carol Singing at Old Barn Nurseries** – Vale School pupils from years 1 to 7 have been invited to sing carols at Old Barn Nurseries on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November from 10.30-11.00 a.m. A separate letter is being sent home today. Please return the slip at the end of the letter as soon as possible if your child is able to take part.

## **Sporting News**

**Girls Football** - The girls' football team played really well in their league matches over the last month. They showed great enthusiasm and determination. They worked as a team and even though they didn't manage to score they had many attempts and certainly put the team under pressure. A big well done to all the girls who played: Shania Clement (Captain), Claire Bond (Goalie), Millie Cacioppo, Cydney Tang, Amy Saunders, Ella Glazebrook, Ellen Voice, Imogen Barber and player of the match Miranda Mizen.

The school would also like to thank the sponsors NCP for the new team kit. Look out for the picture on our school blog.

**Cross Country Competition** - This Saturday 80 children from Vale will compete in the Worthing Schools Cross Country taking place on the Gallops. It would be great to have lots of support, so if you can spare some time during the morning please come up and cheer us on!

Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help. A note detailing your roles will be sent out by Friday.

**Year 5 Netball** - Our year 5 netball team played a great game last Monday and they beat Orchards 10-0!! A huge well done to all the girls who played and to Mrs McKernan and Mrs Haywood for all their efforts with the team.

**The Argus and Barclays Money Skills Awards** – We have applied to take part in The Argus and Barclays Money Skills Awards with a chance to win one of 15 cash prizes ranging from £250 to £3,000. Today, 17<sup>th</sup> November, a list of all the schools that have applied for awards will be printed in The Argus. Please help us by collecting "votes" printed in The Argus each day until 8<sup>th</sup> December. Vouchers on Saturdays and Mondays will be worth double! Please send all vouchers into school as soon as possible and by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at the latest for us to send to The Argus. The winners will be announced in The Argus on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

**CRB Applications** – The on-line CRB application process is now up and running. Any parents who would like to help in the classrooms on a regular basis are asked to contact Donna Churchill in the office to begin their CRB application.

**Community Stars Congratulations** – I am delighted to announce that Mr. Joe Todd and Mrs. Carol Darney were announced the winners of Worthing Herald's Community Stars Teacher of the Year Award last weekend. Although both have moved on to other schools in Lancing and Rustington, we are very proud of their achievements and send them both our congratulations.

Year 1 pupil Libby Slater was presented with the Courageous Youngster award. You may have read her heartfelt story in the Worthing Herald and her bravery certainly deserves this recognition. Well done Libby.

Dani Heppenstall, who teaches after school clubs in dance and zumba at the Vale was also victorious and was awarded Sports Person of the Year. Congratulations to her too!

**Link Romania Thanks** – I would like to thank all those who contributed a shoebox for the Link Romania Appeal. We collected 81 boxes this year, which although not as many as previous years, is still greatly appreciated by all the recipients. I would also like to thank my assistants from Sapphire house Esme Stewart and Isaac Close for not only taking on the responsibility of the assemblies, but also locating the shoeboxes and delivering them to my classroom. (Mrs. Alison Smith)

## Diary Dates

<b>November 2011</b>		
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> November		FOV Christmas Fair Mufti Donation Day
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> November	a.m.	Worthing & District Schools Cross Country Competition, Gallops
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov		Raffle tickets being sent home for Christmas Fair
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> November	4-7 pm	Parent Consultation Appointments years 3 - 7
<b>December 2011</b>		
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> December	4-7 pm	Parent Consultation Appointments years 3 - 7
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 pm	Yr 1 & 2 Performance "Are we nearly there yet?"
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15 am & 2pm	Yr 1 & 2 Performance "Are we nearly there yet?"
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 pm	Yr 1 & 2 Performance "Are we nearly there yet?"
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> December	5-7.00 pm	Christmas Fair – Families and friends welcome
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00 pm	EYFS Nativity at Free Church
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00 am	Bags2School Collection
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.00 pm	Year 7 Carol Service at All Saints Church
<b>February 2012</b>		
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> February		School closed for in-service day
<b>June 2012</b>		
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> June		School closed for in-service day

## **SCHOOL TERM DATES**

### **AUTUMN TERM 2011**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011

Half term 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October 2011

### **SPRING TERM 2012**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012

Half term 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> February 2012

### **SUMMER TERM 2012**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2012

Half term 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2012

### **AUTUMN TERM 2012**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2012

Half term 29<sup>th</sup> October – 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2012

### **SPRING TERM 2013**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2013

Half term 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2013

### **SUMMER TERM 2013**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Half term 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2013

## Clubs – Autumn Term 2<sup>nd</sup> Half

Day	Club	Year groups	Location	Changing	Time	Run By	Cost
Mon	Karate	All	Hall	Hall	3:15- 4:15pm	Sama Karate Club	£4 per session
	Zumba	R-3	Hall	Hall	8-8:30am	Dani	£2 per session
Tues	Football	6-7	Field		3:15-4:45pm	Cally Beaumont	None
	Netball	5	Playground	7DD	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Mckernan	None
	Brazilian Football	2-7	Field	Hall	3:15-4:15pm	Matt Wiltshire	£18 per half term
	Zumba	4-7	Hall	Hall	4:45-5:30pm <small>Please note time change from letter</small>	Dani	£2.50 per session
Wed	Kickboxing	5-7	Hall	Hall	8-8:35am	Sama Karate Club	£4 per session
	Gymnastics	3-7	Hall	5MS	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Scott & Mrs Potkins	None
Thurs	Girls football	5-7	Field	7KC	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Webb	None
	Basketball	5	Hall	Hall	8-8:35am	Worthing Thunder	£12 for 6 weeks
	Netball	3-4	Playground	4AF	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Finch	None
	Indoor athletics/running	4-7	Hall/Gallops	6EG	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Webb & Mr Barber	None
Friday	Football	5	Field	TBC	3:15-4:15pm	Julie Shannon	None
	Dance	R-yr 3	Hall	Hall	3:15-4pm	Dani	£17.50 per half term
	Dance	3-7	Hall	Hall	4-4:45pm	Dani	£17.50 per half term
	Football	4	Field	TBC	3:15-4:15pm	Jody Cutthbert Graham Pinn	None

## Non-Sport Clubs – Autumn Term 2<sup>nd</sup> Half

Day	Club	Year groups	Location	Time	Run By	Cost
Mon	Woodwind	All	Music room	2.15-3.15pm	Mrs Govar-Nayer	Run by West Sussex
	Construction	KS1	2AP	12:30-1:00pm	Mr Pannell	None
	Art	5-6	5NV	3:15-4:15pm Every other week	Mrs Nichol	None
Tues	Piano	All	Music room	9.00am-1.00pm	Jo Keating	Run by West Sussex
	Violin	All	Music room	11.00am-12.30pm	Miss Bridgeland	Run by West Sussex
	Sewing	6	Yr 7 group	12.30-1.00pm	Mrs A. Smith	None
Wed	Acoustic Guitar	All	Music room	10.30-12.00pm	Miss Osborn	Run by West Sussex
	Sewing	5	5LK	1-1:30pm	Miss Kipping	None
	Construction	3	3SH	12:00-12:30pm	Mrs Head	None
Thurs	Board games/puzzles	3-4	3JV	12:00-12:30pm	Mrs Von Detten	None
	Choir	2	Hall	12:30-1pm	Mrs Granger & Miss King	None
	Countryside conservation	1-4	2/1 ATRC	12:20-1pm Every 3 weeks	Mrs Cotton & Mrs Blaker	None
Friday	Fimo Clay Modelling	6	Lab	1-1.30pm	Mrs Scott	£2
	Keyboard	All	Music room	AM	Mrs Tate	Run by West Sussex
	Drums	All years	Music room	Throughout the day	Jon Pugh	TBC
Friday	French	3-4	Lab	12:00-12:30	Fernande Finch	£4.82 per lesson + CD
	French	1-2	Lab	12:30-1:00	Fernande Finch	£4.82 per lesson + CD
	Spanish	3-4	4/3AF	3:15-4:15 pm	Tim Nicholls	

Music Clubs: Please indicate on the club confirmation form if you require the application form for a specific music lesson.