

# VALE

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# NEWS

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to the Summer term. I do hope you all enjoyed the Easter break, followed by the Royal Wedding Bank Holiday long weekend and made the most of the glorious weather we have been blessed with.

### **Staffing News**

I am very pleased to announce that Mrs. Sue Smith has been appointed Deputy Headteacher and Mrs. Sarah Granger has been appointed Assistant Headteacher with effect from the start of this term. We wish them both every success in their new roles.

I am sure you will want to join me in congratulating Miss Stevens on her wedding last month. She returns to us as Mrs. Blaker.

We said sad farewells to Mrs. Pam Jezard, Mrs. Sandra Redhead and Mrs. Justine Barnes who all left at the end of last term. We were sorry to see them go and wish them all health, happiness and success for the future.

### **In-service Date**

A reminder that the school is closed for in-service training on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011. We will have the dates for next Year's INSET days in July and will inform you of these dates then.

### **Uniform**

As I explained in my letter dated 6<sup>th</sup> April, we are exploring how we can update the school uniform and incorporate the new school logo. I hope to be able to provide full details of the proposed changes in the next newsletter.

The children are now permitted to wear their summer uniform to school. Polo shirts or reverse collar blouses can be worn but if the children wear a shirt and collar they are still expected to wear a tie. May I remind you that no heeled or backless shoes/sandals should be worn for health and safety reasons. Thank you for your continued support.

Although it is overcast today, if the hot weather returns please can we ask that you apply sun cream to your child before they come to school in the morning and send them with a sun hat to protect them from the midday sun. Thank you.

### **Photographer**

The school photographer will be coming into school on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May to take class, team and year 7 leavers photographs.

## **Cycling to School**

I would like to remind you that all children cycling to school **must** wear a helmet for their own safety.

## **Friends of the Vale News**

### **Royal Wedding thanks!**

Many thanks for your support with our Royal Wedding Cake Sale and Hat Competition. The children had a wonderful day and entered into the spirit of the event with their red, white and blue colours and fabulous hats. We raised over £1,000 which is fantastic, so many thanks again for your support.

### **Car Boot Sale**

The car boot sale will take place on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May, at the relaxed time of 11am – 2pm. (With sellers from 10.00am). Cars £5, Vans £10. This is of course dependant on the weather. Please see the attached flyer, if you are able to put this up at your place of work to help advertise the event we would be very grateful. The more support we have, the more we can raise!

Space is limited, so we ask that to ensure that you have a space on the day that you register your interest to the following email address [FOVale@gmail.com](mailto:FOVale@gmail.com).

Again, anyone available to help on the day with car parking, refreshments or bouncy castle, please let us know at the email address above.

## **Tesco Vouchers For Schools**

Please continue to collect as many Tesco vouchers as possible for the school. We can also collect even more tokens by recycling ink jet cartridges (not Epsom). We will receive 10 vouchers per cartridge so please spread the word! Collecting boxes are in the reception area. Thank you very much for your support.

## **Year 3 & 4 Mini Production of Joseph**

Congratulations to the children in years 3 and 4 for entertaining us so well at the end of last term with their mini production of Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. Their singing and acting was fantastic and I was extremely proud of them all.

## **Music Success**

Congratulations to Jameel Rogers in 5NS who achieved his Grade 3 piano exam with a Distinction in March 2011.

We would love to hear about other pupil successes that we can celebrate in our newsletter.

Learning to play a musical instrument is not only great fun but also develops many transferable skills to other subjects. We have a number of instrumental teachers who visit the school. If your child would like to start to learn an instrument in September please contact Mrs. Allen in the school office and she can give you the relevant forms.

## **Clubs**

Attached is a list of the clubs available during this half term. Please can we remind you that the children need to re-apply for **all** clubs on offer. If you have any questions about the clubs please contact Mrs. Allen in the school office.

## **Jo-Jo's Half Term Holiday Club**

Information and booking forms are now out for Jo-Jo's holiday club from 31<sup>st</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June inclusive. Activities on offer include

- *Indoor Games* (table soccer, snooker, board games, train sets, playstation, xbox, wii)
- *Outdoor Sports* (Prostar Brasilia on Wednesday and Thursday morning at no extra charge)
- *Art Explosion* (painting, clay modelling, how to draw, beadwork and jewellery making)
- *Dance and Drama* (workout workshops, dressing up, jazz and street dance)
- *Quizzes, Tales and Stories, Circle TimeI ('show and tell', junior stand up comedy competition)*

For more information please contact Jo Stewart on 07787786373 or email at [administration@jojoschildcare.com](mailto:administration@jojoschildcare.com).

### **Cheeky Shoe Company Footwear**

At the end of last term you will have received a voucher from the newly opened Cheeky Shoe Company next to the BP Garage. The shop apologises that the phone number on the voucher was wrong. The correct number for the Cheeky Shoe Company is 877444. Please keep the voucher as your loyalty card and when you purchase school shoes or school wear, the Cheeky Shoe Co. will donate 5% from the sale to Friends of the Vale. You will also receive a 10% voucher for your next purchase.

### **Foster Care Recruitment – Library Drop In Sessions**

Do you think you could make a difference, and change someone's life for the better? West Sussex County Council is eager to recruit new foster carers, and is holding a series of drop-in sessions at libraries throughout West Sussex.

Come along, ask questions and explore the possibilities of becoming a foster carer. Call 01403 229333 or visit [www.westsussex.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/fostering) for dates, venues and further information.

### **Arundel Cricket Club Colts**

Arundel Cricket Club runs a thriving and very successful colts section with over 80 youngsters from 7 to 16, with many of the colts not only playing in the senior sides at weekends, but also in County and Area teams. The club is looking for boys and girls to join them. If you are interested please contact Karen Marsden at [kazzmarsden26@btinternet.com](mailto:kazzmarsden26@btinternet.com) or call on 0791 7569150.

### **New Zumba Fitness Classes at Vale School**

Dani Heppenstall who runs our after school dance club on Fridays is starting Zumba classes in the Vale School hall every Thursday evening from 7.00-7.45 p.m. for anyone aged 12 and over. The cost is £4 per session, payable each week. Classes start tonight (5<sup>th</sup> May) and for more information please contact Dani on 07863 105453 or email her at [danibell82@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:danibell82@hotmail.co.uk).

### **Diary Dates**

<b>May 2011</b>		
9 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> May		Key Stage 2 SATs Tests for Year 6 pupils
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> May		Class, team and year 7 leavers photographs
<b>June 2011</b>		
13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 6 Residential Trip to Herstmonceux
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June		Early Years Sports Day
20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 7 Residential Trip to France
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June		Years 1-4 Sports Day
27 <sup>th</sup> June – 1 <sup>st</sup> July		National Sports Week
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June		Years 5-7 Sports Day
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> June		INSET DAY (School closed for staff training)

### **SCHOOL TERM DATES**

#### **SUMMER TERM 2011**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011

Half term 30<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011

#### **AUTUMN TERM 2011**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011 (please note Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September will be an in-service day)

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

## Clubs – Summer Term 1<sup>st</sup> Half

Day	Club	Year groups	Location	Changing	Time	Run By	Cost
Mon	<b>Karate</b>	All	Hall	Hall	3:15- 4:15pm	Sama Karate Club	£3.50 p/session
	Cricket	5/6	Field	6JT	3:15-4:30pm	Mr Todd	None
	Art Studio	Invited pupils	3SH	N/A	3:15-4:45pm	Mrs Steele	None
	Netball	5	Playground	7DD	3:15-4:45pm	Mrs Daisley A. Killip & H. Potiphar	None
Tues	Athletics	5,6 and 7	Field	Boys -6JT Girls – 6NM	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Webb	None
	<b>Brazilian Football</b>	4-7	Gallops	Hall	3:15-4:15pm	Matt Wiltshire	TBC
	Cricket	5/6	Field	6JT	12:30-1:30pm	Mr Todd	None
	Netball	3/4	Playground	3/4AF	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Finch	None
Wed	Football	4	Field	3JV	3:15-4:15pm	Julie Shannon	None
	<b>Moon Valley Yoga</b>	R-3	Hall	Hall	3:15-3:45pm	Bridgette Blackman	£12
	<b>Moon Valley Yoga</b>	4-7	Hall	Hall	4-4:45pm	Bridgette Blackman	£16
	Cricket	5/6	Playground	6JT	3:15-4:30pm	Mickey Demetriou	£3.50 p/session
Thurs	Gymnastics	3-7 (invited pupils )	Hall	5MS	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Scott	None
	<b>Dance</b>	R-yr 3	Hall	Hall	3:15-4pm	Dani	£20 per half term
Friday	<b>Dance</b>	3-7	Hall	Hall	4-4:45pm	Dani	£20 per half term
	<b>Football</b>	3	Field	3JV	3:15-4:15pm	Jody Cuthbert Graham Pinn	None
	<b>Spanish</b>	3-4	4/3AF	N/A	3:15-4:15pm	Tim Nicholls	TBC

**NB:** You need to complete a school club form for all clubs you wish your child to attend

Clubs in bold also require a separate club letter to be completed and/or payment. Please see Mrs Allen in the office  
Please fill in all letters/forms for each club regardless of whether your child has already attended last term.

# **CAR BOOT SALE**

**At The Vale First & Middle School**

**Sunday 15<sup>TH</sup> May**

**11am - 2pm**

**Cars £5, Vans £10 - Sellers from 10am**

**Limited Spaces - Pre-booking available**

**Contact [FOVale@gmail.com](mailto:FOVale@gmail.com)**

**Or Lesley Hope on 07786 994060**

**\* Refreshments \* Bouncy Castle \***