



13th June 2024

## Welcome Back to Summer Term 2!

We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for the last term of the 2023/24 academic year! We have hit the ground running and have had lots of exciting visitors and trips planned.

## Two Faced Twins Visits Vale School

Last week we had an exciting visit from the Two face twins who spoke with Year 1 & 2 about their upcoming art project. Afterwards the children all received a black and white drawing of the Dome Cinema, which they'll colour for homework. The children are also going to visit the art gallery on Worthing seafront in a few weeks' time during their Pier trip and begin their own Two Faced Twins Inspired drawings of the Dome and the pier! Excitingly, the children are going to put on an exhibition later this year and frame all of their artwork, so their classrooms will look like a Two Faced Twins inspired art gallery!



## Medical Information for the new academic year

If you have been sent an annual review of your child's IHCP review and or Asthma review please ensure you confirm whether or not there are any changes by 21 June. If your child has a new medical condition that we are not aware of, please contact us at [office@valeschool.org](mailto:office@valeschool.org) with details. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## Micropore Earing Tape

If your child has their ears pierced please can we ask they come into school on PE days with their earrings out. If they are unable to take them out please can we ask that you provide earring tape and the children come into school with this in their bags to put on themselves. Thank you for your support with this.

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### A message from Mrs Nichol

France was very challenging! 3 training days totalling 130km with 3,750m of climbing - the yellow signs were a welcome sight at the top of each mountain. The weather wasn't kind, it poured with rain but that didn't dampen the amazing views across the valley. The scenery was spectacular and now 2 weeks later I'm just beginning to say I enjoyed the experience (not sure my legs have recovered though)! I would like to think that I never have to do anything like that again but I know Lands End to John O Groats will be just as hard, if not more so as it's over 9 consecutive days.

Once again, **THANK YOU** to those of you who have already shown me some support, I have now reached £1360. This is above my goal of £1 per mile so I would like to increase that to £1500. If you would like to follow my journey or even show some support along the way please feel free to use the link to my just giving page: [Just Giving Page - Mrs Nichol](#)



### Sports Day

We are really looking forward to holding our sports days this year. These events are open to parents to attend. They start at 9.15am and are usually finished by 11:15am at the latest. The children take part in a selection of team games to start with, and then finish with some races. The children can wear their PE kit on that day and we encourage them to wear a coloured T-shirt of their house colour. If you are coming along to cheer the children in their activities, please wear suitable footwear to go on to the Astroturf.

Tuesday 16th July	Year 1 & 2 Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15
Wednesday 17th July	Years 3 & 4 Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15
Thursday 18th July	Years 5 & 6 Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15
Friday 19th July	EYFS Sports Day 9.00 - 10.45

### Buttons / Beads / Puzzles / Bottle Tops

Do you have any unwanted buttons, beads, jigsaw puzzles or bottle tops? We are looking for donations of buttons, beads, old jigsaw puzzles (it doesn't matter if there are pieces missing!), beer bottle caps or milk bottle tops, Jam jars, corks, and dry fir cones! From September we are planning a new after school club, Vale Ventures - an entrepreneur club which will make products for sale at Christmas to raise money for a local charity. Please bring any donations to the school office for the attention of Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Bullard. Thank you.

### Outside Railings

Children should not be allowed to swing from or climb on railings in any areas around school, for their own safety and to avoid causing damage. We would remind all parents and carers that children should be supervised in the mornings until the school opens at 8.35am.

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### **Accelerated Reader Books**

If your child has any old AR books lingering at home please can we ask for them to be brought back into school. Or if any have been damaged or broken, please let us know so we can replace them. Thank you.

### **Chartwells**

We had a few parent enquiries about not being able to book a hot school meal on Parentpay last week. This error has now been rectified and you can now go on and book a lunch option for the last day of term, Wednesday 24th July.

### **FoV News**

Friends of the Vale (FoV) are looking forward to seeing you with your donations at drop off **tomorrow morning**. Please remember to check their newsletter for the suggested donations for your child's year group if you are unsure. As a thank you for your donations the children can also wear their own clothes on Friday too! FOV are also very excited about VALEFEST on Friday 12th July. They still need a lot of volunteers to put the event on so if you can, please sign up via the link <https://bit.ly/VALEFESTvolunteering> to support them. Please see the FOV newsletter here... [Friends of Vale Summer Newsletter](#)

### **CherryTree**

Cherrytree are now taking bookings for their ever-popular Summer Holiday Camp running from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August . Places fill quickly, so hurry and book to avoid disappointment. Lots of fun and games, crafts and activities. Bookings can be made via their online booking system <https://bookings.cherrytreechildcare.org>, and more information can be found on their website [www.cherrytreechildcare.org](http://www.cherrytreechildcare.org)

Cherrytree are offering free HAF places at our Summer Holiday Camp for all children that are entitled to benefit related free school meals. Bookings can be made through WSCC booking system [West Sussex Events \(bookinglab.co.uk\)](#)

### **West Sussex Music - Summer Holiday Activities**

West Sussex Music are excited to announce their Summer Holiday Activities- packed with exciting musical workshops led by working musicians, for the Summer Holidays!

They are offering Rap & Lyric Writing in Bognor Regis: 24 - 26 July, Pop Choir in Littlehampton: 29 - 31 July, Rock & Pop Band in Worthing: 24 - 26 July, and DJ & Music Production in Crawley: 29 - 31 July!

All workshops include lunch, and participants will receive a digital badge at the end of the workshops, which are a great way for young people to build their portfolios and CVs with many transferable skills that they will have built through the workshops.

Due to high demand and limited places, please book early to avoid disappointment, places are first come, first served. You can find out more about these workshops and book a place [here](#). We have a range of sign-up options available including free, paid, and places discounted by 50%. [Summer Holidays Flyer](#)

### **Useful links**

[ValeFest Donations Mufti Day 14.06.24](#)

[Matchfit Football Saturday Morning Training - Discount for Vale Pupils](#)

[Premier Education Summer Holiday Camps](#)

[All Saints Church & Pre-School Summer Fayre](#)

[Helen Phillips- Piano Lessons Vale School](#)

[NHS Sussex Community Health for Kids](#)

[Chocolate Making - Family Activity Day](#)

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## Important Dates to Remember.....

2024 Academic Year	
Friday 14th June	FOV Donations day -(children can wear their home clothes)
Wednesday 3rd July	Transition Morning - All Year Groups
Friday 12th July	Summer Fair
Tuesday 16th July	Year 1 & 2 Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15
Wednesday 17th July	Years 3 & 4 Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15
Thursday 18th July	Years 5 & 6 Sports Day 9.15 - 11.15
Friday 19th July	EYFS Sports Day 9.00 - 10.45
Wednesday 24th July	Last day of Summer Term/Academic Year

## Term Dates and INSET Days for 2024/25

<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	INSET Day	Monday 2nd September
	Start of Term	Tuesday 3rd September 2024
	FoV Halloween Disco	Friday 18th October 2024
	Half Term	Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November 2024
	Flu Vaccine For All Year groups	Friday 25th October 2024
	INSET Day	Friday 22nd November 2024
	Elfridges	Friday 6th December 2024
	Last Day of Term	Friday 20th December

<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	Start of Term	Monday 6th January 2025
	INSET Day	Friday 14th February 2025
	Half Term	Monday 17th- Friday 21st February 2025
	Last Day of Term	Friday 4th April 2025

<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	Easter Holidays	Monday 7th- 17th April
	Bank Holidays after the easter holidays	Friday 18th and Monday 21st
	INSET Day	Tuesday 22nd April 2025

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	May Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May 2025
	May Half Term	Monday 26th- Friday 30th May 2025
	INSET Day	Monday 2nd June 2025
	Last day of Academic Year	Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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