



Frome Valley First School & Preschool News Weekly



*"Together, with God's love, we learn,
nurture and grow, without limits."*

Message from Mrs Moore

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a successful week it has been here at Frome Valley CE First School!

We were thrilled to receive our SIAMS report on Monday, and we are extremely proud of the incredibly positive feedback. The report reflects the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our pupils and the strength of our whole school community. It is wonderful to see our values recognised so clearly.

This week also included a very special moment for our Year 4 pupils, who took part in the singing concert at the Thomas Hardy School on Wednesday evening. Their performance was joyful, confident and full of energy. We are all so proud of their hard work and the way they represented our school.

Today, we also enjoyed a wonderful sharing assembly with our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils. Pupils were excited to present their learning, achievements and creative work. Their pride in what they have accomplished this term shone through, and it was a delight to share these moments with them.

To round off the week, we celebrated Red Nose Day together as a school community. The spirit of fun, kindness and generosity was evident throughout the day, and we are grateful to everyone who helped support this important cause.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we make Frome Valley a wonderful place to learn and grow.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Moore

Stars of the Week



Reception	Malias
Year 1	Gabi
Year 2	Ivy
Year 3	Seb
Year 4	Caleb

Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone for their donations to Comic Relief.

We have so far raised:

£82

Online donations can still be made via the following link.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd26-frome-valley-cofe-va-first-school>



FRIDAY 20 MARCH

Week beginning 20.03.2026

Sharing Assemblies

A reminder that we have Sharing Assembly next week:

**Wednesday 25th March: (Reception, Years 1 and 2)
at 9am (will last approximately 1 hour)**

For parents new to Frome Valley, Sharing Assembly is a chance for all classes to share what they have learned this term. We will also present the Citizenship Certificates for each class for children that have been particularly kind and helpful this term (these are chosen by the children themselves). We look forward to welcoming all parents, friends and relatives to these special assemblies.

At Sharing Assembly, we like to share in all the children's achievements. If your child has been awarded anything outside of school, please bring all certificates etc. to the school office.



School Choir

After Easter, Mrs Johnstone is starting choir rehearsals for the Year 3 and 4 children. These rehearsals are to prepare the choir for a performance on **Saturday 9th May** for the annual Wessex Arts Fest. Children that sign up will need to be available and committed to attend **Saturday 9th May at 10.30am.**

The day will be filled with performances, workshops, drama and dance for the whole family. Some schools have been asked to perform a couple of songs so Mrs Johnstone thought it would be a wonderful opportunity for the choir. If you have not been to choir before and would like to join, then please sign up, new members all welcome.

Rehearsals will run from Monday 20th April - 4th May. 3.15pm- 4pm
The Arts Fest will be on Saturday 9th May, 10- 3pm.

Children can attend for their songs which are to be sung at 10.30am so please arrive no later than 10.15am. You are then welcome to take your child home or stay and enjoy the rest of the day as a family.

Children will all need to attend the Music Fest with a parent or guardian and must be supervised throughout the whole day.

If you have any further questions then please speak to Mrs Johnstone.



Year 2 – Cakes for Apes

As part of their Active Citizen work, Year 2 are fundraising for the organisation International Animal Rescue. They will be holding a cake sale on Friday 27th March from 3.00pm. We will give more information nearer the time.



What are we learning in our classrooms next week?

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
In Literacy, we will be writing messages for our families in our Easter cards.	In Phonics, we will be continuing to learn our sounds, especially focusing on words with the 'chatty friends' sounds: a_e, i_e, o_e, u_e.	In Literacy, we will be creating our own stories based on the book The Journey Home.	In Literacy, we are writing a non-fiction booklet about looking after our environment.	In Literacy, we be finishing our tourist brochures on a imaginary seaside town.
In Numeracy, we will be experimenting with adding one more and taking one away.	In Numeracy, we will be learning and recapping on the positions left, right, above, below, forwards and backwards.	In Numeracy, we will continue measuring exploring centimeters and meters.	In Numeracy, we are measuring mass and capacity.	In Numeracy, we will continue learning about decimals.
In RE, we will continue to learn about the Easter story.	In Music, we will be learning and singing our Easter songs.	In Geography, we will continue learning about food, where it comes from, and how it is produced.	In French, we are learning the vocabulary for some classroom objects.	We will be enjoying Hooke Court!

Do ask your child about their learning!

If you need any further information, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Preschool News

This week our focus Nursery Rhyme is **Old Macdonald had a Farm** and our Makaton signs of the week are **Cat, Horse and Farmer**. The Butterflies created scarecrows using a variety of 2D shapes. They displayed fantastic fine motor skills when cutting their shapes naming each shape they selected. The Caterpillars have shown great enthusiasm in the outside area where they've practised scooping and pouring using jugs and cups to transfer the water from one object to another. We've made sandwiches for snack, embedding our learning of where our food comes from. The children had the choice of cheese or jam for their filling. They looked delicious!



Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) News

Promoting equality and diversity in schools is essential to create a safe, inclusive environment that fosters a sense of belonging, improves mental health, and boosts academic performance. It prepares students for a globalized society by fostering empathy, challenging prejudices, and ensuring all learners, regardless of background, can reach their full potential.

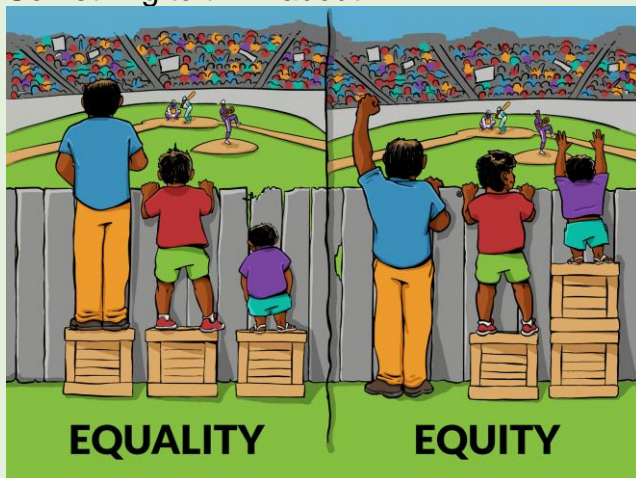
In the UK, DEI aligns with the [Equality Act 2010](#). This legal framework protects children and families from discrimination based on nine "protected characteristics":

- Age,
- Disability,
- Race,
- Religion or Beliefs,
- Sex and Sexual Orientation,
- Gender Reassignment,
- Pregnancy and Maternity,
- Marriage and Civil Partnership.



At Frome Valley, we really focus on "the belonging effect," where children feel safe, valued and accepted, which is linked to better mental health and academic success.

Something to think about...



Equality means each individual or group of people is given the same resources or opportunities. Equity recognises that each person has different circumstances and allocates the exact resources and opportunities needed to reach an equal outcome. At Frome Valley, we strive to provide resources and opportunities to enable EVERY child to flourish.

Upcoming Events: Dates for your Diary!

24th Mar	Preschool Stay and Play 2-3pm	25th – 29th May	Half Term
25th Mar	Reception Class, Year 1 and 2 Sharing Assembly 9am (will last approximately one hour)	9th June	Year 1 and 2 trip to Leeson House
25th – 27th Mar	Year 4 Residential – Hooke Court	17th June	Sports Day 9.15am - Reception Class, Year 1 and 2 1.15 pm – Years 3 and 4
27th March	Year 2 Cakes for Apes Fundraiser-	19th June	Reserve Sports Day
30th Mar – 10th Apr	Easter Holidays	23rd June	Reception Class, Year 1 and 2 Celebration Assembly 2.15pm (will last approximately 45 minutes)
13th Apr	INSET Day – school closed to children	24th June	Year 3 and 4 Celebration Assembly 2.30pm (will last approximately 30 minutes)
1st May	INSET Day – school closed to children	29th and 30th June	Reception Class – Parent Interviews
4th May	Bank Holiday	2nd July	Parent Drop In (Years 1-4 only) 8.15 – 8.40am and 2.15 – 3pm
5th May	School Nurse Drop In 9.30 – 10.30am	7th July	Transfer Day
6th May	Miles for Mosaic Fundraiser	8th July	Year 4 Performance 2pm
15th May	Reception Class – Height and Weight check - National Child Measurement Programme <i>This date has been changed</i>	9th July	Year 4 Performance 6pm
12th May	Parent Drop In 8.15 – 8.40am and 2.15 – 3pm	15th July	Eco Day
20th May	May Day Celebrations 1.15pm – 3pm (approximately) – all families and relatives are welcome	16th July	Year 4 Leavers Trip
21st May	Reserve May Day Celebrations 1.15pm (if wet on 20 th)	17th July	Year 4 Leavers Assembly 2pm