

Frome Valley First School & Preschool News Weekly



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

Message from Mrs Moore

Dear Parent and Carers,

I cannot believe how quickly this term has gone and we are now fast approaching the end of Autumn 2. I have been thrilled with the fantastic work that has taken place this term. I have been particularly impressed with how pupils have returned with such passion and perseverance. We have been delighted with the progress made this term and pupils have had a fantastic foundation to build upon next term.

We had a very special Collective Worship session on Thursday 27th November. It was led by Reverend Peter Stevens, and the theme was music and hymns. Reverend Peter and I played a duet on the violins and taught the pupils about the power of music in bringing people and communities together.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Christmas celebrations over the next three weeks. The school is filled with Christmas cheer, songs and laughter! The children are very excited about their performances.

Have a wonderful weekend. Kind regards, Mrs Moore



First Sunday of Advent
Jesus, you are light even in
the darkest places. Help us
to trust in you when we are
lost or lonely. Shine hope
into our hearts we pray.

Amen.



Stars of the	e Week		
Reception	Holly		
Year 1	River		
Year 2	Felicity		
Year 3	Thomas		
Year 4	Bella		

Festive Bingo
In case you have missed it!
The PTFA Festive Bingo is tonight in the school hall. Doors open at 5pm with eyes down from 5.30pm.
Adults and children are all welcome.



Welcome to Frome Valley - Prospective Preschool & Reception Parents September 2026

The application process for Reception & Preschool admissions in 2026-27 is now open.

If you are looking for a school place for your child during the current year or to start in September 2026, please contact the school and we will arrange a tour with a member of the Leadership Team.

Christingle Service

We are holding a special Christingle Service in St Aldhelm's Church next **Thursday 4**th **December** at 2.15pm. All parents, friends and relatives are welcome to this service. All children will make a Christingle candle before the service. Many thanks to Tesco for kindly donating the oranges to us.



Reception Class Parent Interviews

Reception class parent interviews are taking place on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th December between 3.30 - 6pm.

Appointments are all face to face and are for ten minutes. Parents will be able to book their preferred appointment time through Arbor from 6pm this evening.

Please note that you cannot book an appointment before 6pm – you can see the times but will not be able to book.

Details of how to do this is being emailed to parents with the newsletter. If anyone has any questions, please speak to the school office.

Textile Recycling

We are holding a textile recycling fundraiser with Bag2School. A leaflet giving full details is being sent to families today. The below link advises which items are acceptable:

https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect

Items can be brought to school from Monday 1st – 9am on Friday 5th December.



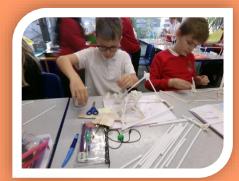
Upcoming Events: Dates for your Diary!						
2 nd Dec	School Nurse Drop In 9.30 – 10.30am	11 th Dec	Carols by Candlelight 6pm – all welcome			
3 rd Dec	Preschool Stay and Play 9-10am	15 th Dec	Nativity Service – Years 1– 4 9.10am			
4 th Dec	Christingle Service 2.15pm	16 th Dec	Nativity Service – Years 1-4 -2pm			
5 th Dec	Textile Recycling Collection Day	18 th Dec	Preschool Festive Party 10.30am – 12.30pm			
8 th – 9 th Dec	Parent Interviews Reception Class	18 th Dec	Last Day of Term Party Lunch for children			
8 th - 12 th Dec	Preschool Parent Consultations	19 th Dec	INSET Day – school closed to children			
10 th Dec	Nativity Service – Preschool and Reception Class 9.10am	22 nd Dec - 2 nd Jan	Christmas Holidays			
10 th – 14 th Dec	Anti Bullying Week	5 th Jan	INSET Day – school closed to children			

What are we learning in our classrooms next week?								
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4				
In Literacy, we will be designing our own night spirits and creating a class book of our ideas.	In Literacy, we will be continuing to write our fact file on space.	In Literacy, we will continue to find out facts about wolves and use these to begin writing our own wolf fact files.	In Literacy, we will be looking at verb tenses. We will write a message, using the present perfect tense, e.g. I have felt/ you have carried/ she has looked.	In Literacy, we will be producing a short informal explanation text using the text Until I Met Dudley as stimulus.				
In Numeracy, we will be learning about repeating patterns.	In Numeracy, we will be focusing on taking away numbers to 10 by crossing out.	In Numeracy, we will begin a new block of work on shape. Exploring the properties of 2D shapes.	In Numeracy, we will focus on using skills and facts that we already know in order to solve other calculations.	In Numeracy, we will be learning to multiply by 1 and 0 and divide by 1 and the number itself.				
In Music, we will be practicing our singing and actions for our Nativity performance.	In Music, we will be learning songs and preparing for the Nativity.	In DT, we will continue to explore structures	In Geography, we are starting our new topic about weather and climate.	In Music, we will be creating music using a program on the laptops.				
Do ask your child about their learning! If you need any further information, please speak to your child's class teacher.								

Year 4 News

In Design Technology, the Year 4 children have been designing and creating Pavilions. They made their stable structure and then added cladding to their creative designs.







Christmas Post Box

The Christmas post box is now in school until Wednesday 17th December. Everyone can bring their cards into school and post them in the box. Please remember to write the child's name or adult's name and the year group on the card so we can deliver the cards to the right people!!



Nativity Services

Pre School and Reception Class: Wednesday 10th December 9.10am

Years 1–4: Monday 15th December 9.10am and Tuesday 16th December 2pm.

We know that all services will be very popular and we therefore ask parents, relatives and friends to only come to the Preschool / Reception nativity if they have a child in these years.

If you have a child in Years 1–4, we ask that you only attend one of the services. The children in Year 1 will be provided with a costume by school. The children in Year 2 will be playing instruments to accompany the service. After both of the morning services, coffee and mince pies will be available to parents.

Preschool News

In Preschool this week we have been focussing on Diwali, the Festival of Light. The children made Diya lamps, explored Rangoli patterns and created their own Rangoli patterns using paint. Our Butterflies focused on rhyming during their small group time and the Caterpillars showed great enthusiasm in our new sand and water trays. They also investigated how vehicles travel faster and slower down ramps! Lastly, they have used the musical instruments to express how they are feeling. It's been another incredibly busy week!















Eco-Schools

Eco School NewsA plea from the Eco schools Committee



To help our seas, oceans, sea creatures and plants, we need to use less one-use plastic such as **cling film!**

Otherwise, more plastic will end up in the sea or in landfill, never able to biodegrade, staying there forever and harming animals and plants!!!!

This week, we, the eco school committee, have made a count of how many children are currently using cling film in lunch boxes.

We hope you will help us to reduce the amount of cling film being used. So, **in a few weeks' time**, when we do a recount of how much cling film is being used, we hope there will be **NO cling film in lunch boxes.**

Instead you could use:

- Plastic pots
- Tin foil (this can go in your recycling at home)









Thank you!