

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 / Carers,

Children having leadership roles is a proven way to support self-confidence, communication skills and a sense of belonging. At Frome Valley, we have an Eco School Team, School Council and also a Collective Worship Team. Today, I am going to tell you about our newly appointed Collective Worship Team.

Year 2: Mackaulay, Alana

Year 3: Ollie and Ivy L

Year 4: Adele, Oliver, Lauryn, Joel Pu, Jude, Dexter, Katie, Lucien, Minnie & George

The pupils were asked if they would like to apply to be part of the group and hold a position of responsibility at the start of the term. We were absolutely thrilled when so many applied for the post. The written applications to be on the Collective Worship Team were so well written, with enormous levels of pride being shown in presentation and content. The answers to the questions clearly reflected the qualities and attributes that would be required in a position of responsibility and worship in the school. They wrote about how they needed to be responsible, to set the tone for others in their behaviour and showcase our three core values of 'Respect', 'Compassion' and 'Perseverance'. They described how they would need to consider the feelings of others and support everyone to be successful. Reading their words made me extremely proud! Please see some answers below to the questions.

'I like learning new things about the Bible and Jesus.'

'I will be a good listener and inspire other children.'

'I can bring kindness and happiness to the Collective Worship Group.'

'My favourite Bible story is Noah's Ark because he persevered and was compassionate towards the animals. '

Stars of the Week		
Year 1	Ellen H	
Year 2	Merida	
Year 3	Hollie	
Year 4	Dexter	

Year 3 Visit

Year 3 are visiting Holy Trinity Church in Dorchester next Tuesday 30th September. Please can any outstanding consents and payments be made by Monday morning. Thank you.

What are we learning in our classrooms next week?						
Year 1	ear 1 Year 2		Year 4			
In Literacy, we are practicing forming our letters correctly, starting with the 'long-legged giraffe' letters – I,i,t,u, j,y.	In Literacy, we will begin planning and writing our own story based on the Minpins. We will concentrate on using the past tense consistently.	In Literacy, we have started reading our new text, "Black Dog" by Levi Pinfold. We will focus on punctuation, such as apostrophes and speech marks.	In Literacy, we continue to use The Varmints text to plan and write our final Big Write in the form of an explanation text.			
In Numeracy, we will be using a number line to compare and order numbers to 10.	In Numeracy, we will be counting in 2s, 5, and 10s.	In Numeracy, we are applying our knowledge of number bonds to 10 to help us solve problems.	In Numeracy, we are learning to add two numbers up to 1,000 mentally and using column addition.			
In Science, we are learning to identify parts of our body, including shin, thigh, chest and which part of the body is associated with each of our senses.	In Computing, we will be learning about the benefits of IT around us.	In French, we are learning some classroom language and a finger rhyme.	In DT, we will be learning how to make a structured frame.			
Do ask your child about their learning! If you need any further information, please speak to your child's class teacher.						

Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks

A reminder to everyone that we are a nut free school. Please ensure that all lunches, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help

Year 1 News

Year 1 enjoyed a visit from William Spackman, Lay Minister at St Aldhelm's Church this week. He came to talk to the class about Christian Baptisms/Christenings as part of their RE lesson. William talked about the use of water in a Christening, about gifts that may be given and he also explained some of the words used within a baptism. The children loved meeting and learning from Will and one child even said, 'I want to be like Will when I am older!'











Upcoming Events: Dates for your Diary!				
29 th Sep	Preschool Stay and Play 9-10am	4 th Nov	Preschool Stay and Play 2-3pm	
30 th Sep	Year 3 visit to Holy Trinity Church Dorchester	10 th – 13 th Nov	Parent Interviews Years 1 -4	
2 nd Oct	Year 4 Parent Information Evening - 3.30pm and 5pm on Times Table Tests and Curriculum	12 th Nov	Sharing Assembly 2.15pm – Reception Class, Years 1 and 2 – all welcome	
2 nd Oct	School Nurse Drop In 9.30 – 10.30am	19 th Nov	Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Years 3 & 4 – all welcome	
6 th Oct	Year 3 Parent Information Evening –3.20pm and 5pm on homework	21 st Nov	Children In Need Fundraiser	
7 th Oct	Year 4 Class Assembly 9am – all welcome	3 rd Dec	Preschool Stay and Play 9-10am	
8 th Oct	Reception Class -Read Write Inc – Parent Information Evening 3.30pm and 6pm	4 th Dec	Christingle Service – 2.15pm	
9 th & 14 th Oct	Open Morning for parents of children starting school Sep 2026 9.30am-11am	9 th – 10 th Dec	Parent Interviews – Reception Class	
9 th Oct	Harvest Festival 2.pm St Aldhelm's Church– all welcome	10 th Dec	Nativity Service – Preschool and Reception Class -9.10am	
10 th Oct	Flu vaccinations	10 th – 14 th Dec	Anti Bullying Week	
10 th Oct	PTFA AGM 3.15pm – all welcome	11 th Dec	Carols by Candlelight 6pm – all welcome	
14 th Oct	Parent Drop In 8.15-8.40am & 2.15-3pm	15 th Dec	Nativity Service – Years 1 – 4 9.10am	
15 th -17 th Oct	Special School Week - Science	16 th Dec	Nativity Service – Years 1-4 -2pm	
16 th Oct	Years 3 & 4 Literacy Festival	18 th Dec	Last Day of Term	
22 nd , 23 rd and 24 th Oct	INSET Days – school closed to children	19 th Dec	INSET Day – school closed to children	
27 th –31 st Oct	Half Term	22 nd Dec – 2 nd Jan	Christmas Holidays	
3 rd Nov	Individual School Photos	5 th Jan	INSET Day – school closed to children	

Preschool News

This week, our Caterpillars have explored shaving foam play using their hands to create marks and move the foam around a large tray. They've used acorns to fill a body shape pattern showing great perseverance and resilience when their acorns appear too big for their hole. Our Butterflies continue their topic 'All About Me' where this week they have focused on different homes and what they are made of. We've observed some amazing creative play in the outside area where the children used foam bricks to create their own home, using sand as cement to stick their bricks together!

For Maths this week, the children have discovered who is the tallest and shortest in our class. We have been encouraging mathematical language, sizing our children from tallest to smallest and introducing number recognition.

Alongside all of the above amazing activities our Caterpillars and Butterflies have made photo frames for their family photographs and iced biscuit faces using icing, sprinkles and chocolate drops to create facial features. What a busy week!















