



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,

Welcome back to school from all the staff at Frome Valley CE First School. I hope that you had a wonderful summer with your families and are now ready for another school year. It was fantastic to see the children rush through the doors with smiling faces on Tuesday!

This term is one of my favourite times of the year, as we get to welcome many new children to the school. I was delighted to see how quickly our new Preschool and Reception pupils have settled into their daily routines. They have thoroughly enjoyed exploring their newly decorated indoor and outdoor provision, making new friends, and beginning their learning journey. This will set a strong foundation for their future learning.

Thank you, as ever, for your efforts in ensuring that all children came in full school uniform looking very smart, clean and tidy. We do have some items of 'pre-loved' free uniform. Please see Mrs Gray in the school office for more information.

I hope this is a successful year for everyone part of the Frome Valley community.

Mrs Moore

A Prayer for the New School Year

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers. Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic about my learning and the courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to learn and grow with You by my side and let me experience Your presence every day.

Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!

Amen



Stars of the Week



Year 1	Dolcie and Lilly
Year 2	Ivy
Year 3	Tallulah
Year 4	Lucien

Stars of the Week

Every week, all teachers choose a child from their class that is the:

'Star of the Week'

They are chosen for a number of reasons that include: attitude in class; good citizenship and outstanding behaviour.

Reception Class: Mrs Bell will start to choose her 'Stars' after half term, when the children have settled in.

Happy Valley and Breakfast Club – Arbor

Arbor is now up and running for all Breakfast Club and Happy Valley bookings. Any outstanding payments from the last academic year have been added to Arbor for payment. If you have not yet registered and logged onto Arbor, please do so as soon as possible. This is now our only MIS (Manage Information System) and you will need access for all payments, consents and more! If anyone has any queries or requires assistance, please speak to the staff in the school office.

After School Activities

This half term, we have the following after school activities.

Monday – football (Years 2-4)

Wednesday – gardening (Years 1 -4)

Further information will be sent home to parents as soon as possible.

Photo and Video Permission

Next week, we will be sending home to families, with children in Years 1-4, a new photo and video permission form. Please can these be returned as soon as possible.

Later this half term, we will have a school Facebook page, and the new form includes this and other social media permissions. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Diary Dates for this academic year are being finalised and will then be shared with parents next week. They will also be on our school website via the below link.

<https://www.frome.wessex.ac/news-and-events/events>

Preschool News

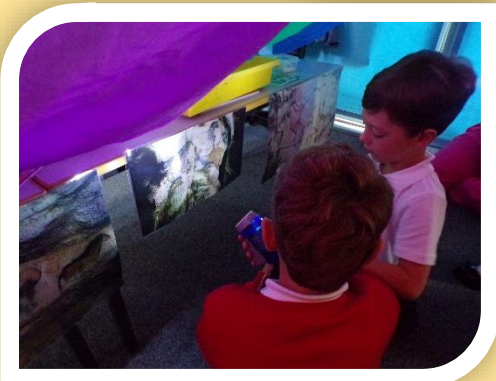
I would like to welcome our new families to the Frome Valley First School community. This week our focus has been on settling the returning children and welcoming new children into our wonderful environment. Don't they all look amazing in their new school uniform!

The children have adapted well to some of the new classroom changes and have embraced their new daily routine. We have introduced a snack café to our morning so the children can develop their independent skills. They now select their plates, cups, and spoons and scoop pieces of fruit and vegetables onto their plates. They have shown great enthusiasm exploring the environment and have remembered their amazing tidy up skills during Tidy Teams. A fantastic start to the new term! Well done Preschool.



Amazing Prehistoric Event in Year 3

The children arrived at the Year 3 classroom to find it had turned into a cave and could only be entered through a tunnel. We all clambered through the narrow opening, only to find the cave was full of cave paintings and, in the middle, there was a child-sized footprint. Who could have left these paintings? What do they represent? How old might this person be? All the children compared the footprint with their own to see if it belonged to someone in the class, but it remains a mystery!



What are we learning in our classrooms next week?

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
We are beginning to look at our Literacy text for the next few weeks called 'The Naughty Bus' By Jan Oke.	In Literacy, we are exploring the text 'The Minpins'. We will be learning about different types of sentences, exclamation, question and statements.	In Literacy, we are continuing to read our class text, "The First Drawing" by Mordicai Gerstein. We are looking at different parts of sentences, such as nouns, verbs and conjunctions.	In Literacy, we are basing our learning around the text The Varmints which is about the preservation of plants life. We have already started growing cress and reporting on plants in our writing!
In Numeracy, we are learning to count objects to 10 and represent these numbers using a tens frame	In Numeracy, we are looking at the place value of numbers and how to count objects grouped into different amounts.	In Numeracy, we are representing and partitioning 3-digit numbers.	In Numeracy, we are learning about the place value of numbers up to 1,000.
In Art, we will be learning about different types of lines used within artwork.	In Geography, we will be learning about the different weather in the different seasons.	In Art, we are learning about Stone Age cave paintings.	In Computing we are learning about the Internet.

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