

## Vallis First School Thursday Note



Summer Term - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 www.vallisfirstschool.org

Feedback from survey on school trip contributions: Thank you to all our parents who responded to the survey about contributions for school trips. The overwhelming majority were happy to make a contribution of up to £15 as long as it was not too often. Our teachers have found that the majority of worthwhile trips cost between £10 and £15 once the cost of the coach is added in, so it is great that parents are happy to support making these trips happen. On the whole we plan one major trip a year to tie in with our topics and other events and activities take place locally or involve inviting visitors in to school to work with the children. Our hope is that we will be able to give parents sufficient notice in future so that you can save up to cover the contribution. Notification for events: As you are aware we try to give you dates of future events to put in your diary well ahead of time but from time to time we are offered a last minute opportunity to access an activity perhaps because another school has cancelled. Most of the time we can manage the short term inconveniences within the school day but from time to time it impacts on parents. If at any time you are unable to accommodate a short term arrangement please do let us know so that we can see if we can help. Speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. Please see below for the dates of various events and activities

Reminder about bringing toys into school: Our school policy is that children should only bring toys into school on the day it is their 'show and tell' which is arranged with their class teachers. Various crazes sweep the nation, the latest of which is fidget spinners. These toys should not be brought in to school and will be confiscated if they are.

Year 4 Leavers' Assembly: This will be during the afternoon of Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Parents of our Year 4 children are invited to attend this assembly. We can usually offer two adult places per child.

Cake Sales: Voyager Class made £16.60 in their cake sale, well done Voyager Class. It is the turn of Sun Class on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Please make or buy some cakes for them to sell. Thank you ©

VSA UNIFORM SHOP - is open on the first Friday of every month. Please bring something to swap for 50p -£2.00 per item. If you have any unwanted Oakfield or Selwood uniform from older siblings please bring those along too!

VSA SUMMER FAIR - Please sign up for the Summer Fair! FREE CAKE FOR VOLUNTEERS! The school Summer Fair is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June from 12 - 3pm. If you would like to help, please come to our SIGN-UP stall on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May or Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 2.45-3.15pm outside the school office. Bakers, stall-holders and face painters needed ©

## Dates for your Diary 2017

Friday 12th May - Sun Class Cake Sale

Friday 19th May - Moon Class Cake Sale

Friday  $26^{th}$  May - Mufti Day for Frome Missing Links and last day before half term

Monday 5th June - Back to school

Thursday 8th June - KS2 trip to Bristol Museum

Friday 9th June - Mufti Day for VSA Summer Fair

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Whole school Sports Day (or Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June if postponed)

Wednesday 19th July - Leaver's Assembly

Friday 7th July - Transfer morning

Friday 21st July - Last day of term, 2pm finish

Slap Cheek: We have had two identified cases of slap cheek at school. The guidelines are to contact your GP/midwife if you are pregnant, have a blood disorder or have severe anaemia.