



**NOTIFICATION OF CHICKENPOX AND SCARLET FEVER:** Please ensure you have read the letter we have sent out today regarding these two illnesses which have occurred in our school. We have reminded children about good handwashing and hygiene.

**Introductory Meetings for parents and carers of children in a new Key Stage or new to the School:**  
Thank you to those parents who attended our Introductory meeting this morning. There is a second opportunity to attend an Introductory meeting in our School Hall with our Phase Leaders for Key Stages 1 and 2 on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2.15pm. They will explain how life in the Key Stage works - reading, homework, curriculum etc. and answer any questions that you may have. Please come along.

**Parents' meetings:** These will be held on the last week before the half term holidays. Letters will be sent out next week offering you the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to talk about how they are settling in and how they are getting on with their learning this academic year.

**School Playground:** We are happy for you to use the school playground after school but children need to be supervised by their parents and please note that this out of school time play is at your own risk. Our playpods have been damaged recently by children climbing on top of them. Please encourage your children to use the climbing equipment instead. Also, we cannot offer access to the school toilets or resources after school hours.

**VSA News**

**Christmas Cards:** Your child will have come home with their Xmas4schools order pack. Please return your orders to the school by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Please note that cheques should be payable to the Vallis School Association.

**VSA Committee Meeting:** Our first committee meeting of the year took place yesterday. Thanks to those who attended and it was great to have some new parents join us. Look out for more information on our notice board (in the corridor leading to the school hall) or on our Facebook page (Vallis First School - VSA) about our planned events for this year.

**Cake Sales:** Further to Mrs Pauley's message in last week's Thursday note, we have now agreed the schedule of cake sales for this year. The schedule is on the back of this Thursday Note and will be posted on our Facebook page and our notice board tomorrow. **Galaxy class** will kick off this year's sales on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October. If you have a child in that class please bake or buy some cakes to help them raise funds. If you are able to help pack (9:00 - 9:15am) or sell (2:45 - 3:10pm) cakes please fill out the slip below and hand it in to your child's class teacher. Thank you in advance for your help.

**Dates for your Diary 2017**

- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September - KS1 & KS2 Parents Introductory meeting at 2.15pm in the School Hall
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Galaxy class cake sale
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Festival at 2pm at Trinity Church
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October - School Photos
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - last day of school before half term holidays
- **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - INSET DAY**
- Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October - back to School

**HELPERS FOR CLASS CAKE SALES 2017-2018**

- I am able to help pack cakes between 9.00 and 9.15am YES/NO
- I am able to help sell cakes between 2.45 and 3.10pm YES/NO

My child's name.....My child's class.....

My name (please print).....Contact phone no:.....