

## Vallis First School Newsletter

## Phone 01373 462657 Headteacher Mr Nick Firkins Friday 15th July 2022

It has been a very warm week in school and it looks set to continue in the early part of next week too; we are trying hard to keep everyone cool but please send your child in with plenty of water and a hat if possible - they can refill their water bottles in school as needed. Applying sun cream before they arrive at school is also a good idea if it is forecast to be sunny, although we are limiting the time spent outside in the sunshine on the very warm days and making full use of the benefits of our air conditioned school hall and community room to keep the children as cool as possible. We take our lead from Somerset County Council, in addition to consulting with the other schools in Frome, in terms of any closures due to weather and aim to keep parents informed as quickly as possible if the guidance changes at any time.

It was great to see so many of you at the KS1 parents and carers open classroom sessions on Wednesday. I know the children are always excited to show you their learning books and to share some of the things they have been doing in class. Yesterday, Mars parents and carers also enjoyed a musical performance of violins. All the Year 3/4 children have worked hard this year in mastering this difficult instrument and I know when I have popped into their sessions, it's always a pleasure to hear them play as a group.

You should have received your child's end of year report by now - if you have any questions or queries, please speak to their class teacher in the first instance. We have sent them out as hard copies this year, but in future we hope to send them out electronically to save on paper and it is more environmentally friendly.

Just a reminder that we finish at 2:00pm next Friday and the Child's Play Club will not run on that day.

Nick



Our Star Powerful Learners from last week are: Solomon from Sun; Arlo from Moon; Theo and Adam from Jupiter; Alana from Saturn; Genevieve from Neptune; Wilf and Oscar from Apollo; Milo from Milky Way and Alice from Mars. Well done to you all and keep up the good learning.

**Dates for your Diary** 

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 Leavers Assembly – 2pm Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Year 4 Leavers Party Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – last day of term – finish at 2pm Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July & Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July – INSET DAYS Thursday 1st September 2022 – INSET DAY Friday 2nd September 2022 – INSET DAY Tuesday 3rd January 2023 – INSET DAY Monday 17th April 2023 – INSET DAY Friday 26th May 2023 – INSET DAY

The winners of the 100 Club this month are:-Ist Prize - Loredana C-Hunter 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Sasha Roberts 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Charlotte Bickley Please pick your prize up from the School Office

Our Eco Council visited the Library this morning and were a credit to the school. They made seed packets and were given some lettuce seeds to grow as part of the visit.

Our Year 1 children had drawn fruit and vegetables and their drawings are now in the library and in a book on display. Look out for photos in a forthcoming issue of the Frome Times and we will also be sending out a leaflet with more information about the seed library soon.