



# Vallis First School Newsletter

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Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

KS2 started their week with a lovely river walk as part of their new topic - they will be learning about rivers and the water cycle during the term. The topic seems very pertinent at the moment with the amount of rainfall we have experienced! In KS1, there's been lots of excitement during the week as they try to fathom out what the alien creature that seems to have visited us has been up to. EYFS have also been busy making porridge and putting together some of their new equipment.

Some of the children may remember that last term we had a visit from a pirate in one of our assemblies. Thomas and Rebecca Moore have a new book coming out which is part of the series they shared in assembly - please see the competition attached to the newsletter for more details.

In last weeks Friday assembly, we talked about New Year resolutions, what they are and some of the more common targets people set themselves. We looked at how some children had had a big impact on their own and others' lives through resolutions they had set themselves. If you have made a New Year resolution, good luck in the coming months trying to keep them.


Hopefully, next week will be a little drier. Have a lovely weekend.

Nick



## Dates for your Diary

- **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February – SEND Coffee Morning – 9am in the Community Room**
- **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb KS1 Family Learning Sewing Event 9-10.15am**
- **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 6 Week Parenting Course 9-11am in the Community Room**
- **HALF TERM: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February**
- **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Headteacher's Afternoon Tea – 2.15pm in the Community Room**



**KS1 Family Learning Event**  
On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb KS1 parents are invited to a sewing Family Learning 9-10.15. Please speak to class teachers if you have any questions.

## Parenting Course

We have been given the fantastic opportunity of holding a Parenting Course led by two experienced Parent & Family Support Advisors – Lynn Gaye & Joel Ayliffe. It is a 6 week programme where you can learn strategies on how to deal with children's challenging behaviours. The course starts on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January and will be held in the Community Room. If you would like to attend the course, please pop to the school office and see Sue.

## Lunchtime Bank Staff

If you would like to join our bank of lunchtime supervisors, please come to the school office and see Jacky.

We have just updated the Curriculum pages on our website with lots of useful information on each subject – please take a look and let us know what you think! The pages will be updated regularly.

