

Book Fair activities- Our Book Fair arrives on Wednesday 15th November and leaves a week later on Wednesday 22nd November. A range of lovely children's books will be on sale each day in our School Hall for a week with the school receiving 'benefits in kind' in the form of books for our class book corners. The more books we sell the more books we get for the classes! As part of Book Week we will be holding a special Bedtime story afternoon on Monday 20th November. Children are invited to bring a cuddly toy to school, pyjamas, slippers or a dressing gown to change in to ready to snuggle down for an afternoon of storytelling courtesy of the Vallis First School staff. We would like to ask parents to send in a donation towards the cost of upgrading our class book corners which the children will design as part of their Book Fair activities.

Happiness posters: The children recently entered a competition to create some posters for the Job Centre on the theme of Happiness. The winning entry was Angelina who will receive her prize in our Celebration Assembly.

Childs Play Clubs UK: Our Vallis First School after school provision is now officially open in our Community Room and children are able to attend from 3-6pm daily. Please go on the Childs Play Clubs UK website to find out more and to register and book or collect a registration form from the School Office.

Poppies: We have a box full of child-friendly poppy merchandise and will be collecting for this worthy appeal all next week. Suggested minimum donations are 50p for smaller items and £1 for larger ones. Of course, any donation over £1 will also be very welcome ☺

Bin it for Trinity: The children have been helping with a local community project producing posters to encourage dog owners to pick up any mess in the Trinity Street. area. We hope to see some of their designs up soon. As part of this project there is also a general litter pick this Saturday - November 4th from 10.30-12.30. Please meet at the Griffin Pub if you would like to support this.

KS1 Family Learning morning 9-10:15am Wednesday 8th November: KS1 parents or a member of the family are invited to join their children to help them to design and make a Bog Baby. Come and join in the creative fun!

- **Cake Sales:** Neptune Class cake sale raised £71.20 before half term. It is the turn of Apollo Class tomorrow 3rd November - please make or buy some cakes to sell.
- **Uniform Shop:** The VSA Uniform Shop will be open tomorrow afternoon between 2:45 and 3:15pm in the room opposite the school Reception. Second hand uniform is available to buy or swap - we do accept Selwood or Oakfield uniform donations as well.
- **Christmas Bingo:** This year's fundraising Christmas Bingo will take place on **Thursday 30th November**, in the School Hall, doors open at 6pm. All proceeds will go to our funds for improving the school's outdoor play spaces. Numbers will once again be limited due to fire regulations, so it will be first come first served once the doors open. As usual there will be 3 children's games followed by 5 adult games, with a DVD to entertain the children. We will also run our Christmas Raffle at the event. Refreshments will be available and if anyone is able to make some sweet or savoury goods for us to sell on the night it would be very much appreciated - if you think you can contribute please leave your name, number and what you can make with the School Office.

Dates for your Diary 2017

- Wednesday 15th November - School Book Fair arrives
- Monday 20th November - Book Fair - Bedtime story afternoon
- Wednesday 22nd November - School Book Fair Leaves
- Friday 24th November - Mufti day for Bingo
- Thursday 30th November - Christmas Bingo at 6pm

School Photos: A small amount of our pupils are having their school photo re-taken tomorrow afternoon. You will have received a text notifying you if your child is one of the children being re-taken.