

Vallis First School Thursday Note

Summer Term - Thursday 5th July 2018 www.vallisfirstschool.org



Important Information: Transfer Day - Friday 6th July is our Frome Learning Partnership Transfer Day. Our Year 4s will try out being a Year 5 at Middle School for the day. This leaves us with free classes so that our current Year 2s can try out being Year 3 and our Reception children can then try being Year 1 for the morning. Our new intake of Reception children will also join the school for the morning. Your child will bring home a letter today with staffing and class information for their classes in September 2018. Children will need to be taken to their new classes on Transfer Morning but collected from their current classes after school (apart from our current Year 4s who are at Middle School all day.)

Frome Learning Partnership Writing Competition winners: A number of children entered this competition with their stories and poems and last night at Oakfield four Vallis children received prizes for their work. Faye Chapman, Aimee Baldwin and Annie Callen won prizes for their stories and Mia Drury won a prize for a poem she wrote when she was a pupil at Hayesdown. Congratulations to our winners on their fabulous achievements and a huge thank you to the competition organiser Mr Kirby, the judges, Oakfield School and the families who supported the event.

Frome Library FREE Summer Holiday Reading Challenge: In our Monday morning assembly the children were excited to hear about 'Mischief Makers' which is the theme for this Summer's Reading Challenge. Children need to take out 6 books of their choice from the Library and read and return them to collect 6 stickers for their poster. Everyone who signs up gets a certificate and if they complete the challenge then they are presented with a medal in our September assembly. Last year 75 children joined the challenge - can we beat this total this year? It is all free and there are plenty of additional free activities to entertain children of all ages. Joining the library is free - parents just need to show proof of their ID and address.

Fostering in Somerset Make a child feel like they belong

Somerset are looking for foster carers in Somerset right now, to offer our children stable, nurturing homes. Foster carers make a real difference to children's lives. They help them through tough times and give them the support they need to achieve their potential.

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Small World Toys: Are you having a tidy up this summer and culling some of your children's toys because they no longer play with them? Our Nurture group - Satellite Class are keen to receive any small world toys still in good condition eg. Playmobil, Pets World etc.

Year 4 Violin Concert & Pen Presentation: Our Year 4 children are inviting their parents to join them on Friday 13th July at 9.05am for an end of year concert. At this concert the Blue House will present pens to those children who have made the most improvement in their handwriting during the course of the year.

Dates for your Diary 2018

Friday 6th July - Transfer day for Year 4 and Transfer morning for EYFS and Year 2
Friday 13th July - Year 4 Violin Concert for Year 4 parents - 9.05am in the School Hall
Wednesday 18th July - Leavers Assembly - 2.15pm in the School Hall. Year 4 parents are invited
Friday 20th July - Last day of school before Summer holidays - 2pm finish