

A week in the life of



Issue one – March 10th 2017

New Look Newsletter

We hope you enjoy the new style newsletter. Thank you to all parents who completed the communication questionnaire the result of which have been sent out this week. It was pleasing to see that you are happy with communication between school and home. We have tried to include everything that you asked for information on in our new look newsletter. If it is not included this week, it may be in future weeks but if there is any information you require that has not been provided, please let us know.

Congratulations to both Maths teams that took part in the Vale academy Maths Challenge. You all showed resilience and determination to do well.



Clubs for next week

Please see details of clubs below:

Monday

Maths Booster (Year 6) Lunchtime – Mr. Brown

Reading Buddies - Lunchtime – Mrs. Hatton

Vale Maths Club (Year 6) 3:45-4:45

Mindfulness (Years 1 – 6) A change of day this week due to residential

Tuesday

Premier Sports: Playground games (all ages) 8am – 8:45

Reading Buddies Lunchtime – Mrs. Hatton

Homework club (all ages) Lunchtime – Mrs. Hatton

Still Life Art (Year 4, 5 and 6) 3:30 – 4:30 – Mrs. Grey

Wake Up Shake Up (all ages) 3:30-4:30 – Mrs. Clark

Wednesday

~~SATS SPaG Breakfast Booster 8:00am – Mrs. Hatton~~

cancelled due to Residential

Thursday

Premier Sport: Dodgeball (Years 1 - 6) 8am – 8:45am

~~Playground Buddies/School Council 12:30 – 1 – Mrs. Hatton~~

cancelled due to residential

Games Club (KS2) 12:30 – 1 – Miss Toner

Running club (KS2) 3:30-4:30 - Parent volunteers

Friday

~~Drama (KS2) 12:30 – 1 – Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Hatton~~

cancelled due to residential

Lego Club (EYFS) 12:30 – 1 Mrs. Shearwood

PE Kit Reminder

Can we please remind all parents that the PE kit for school should consist of blue shorts and a plain white top for indoor PE? Children should not be wearing any other coloured clothes or t-shirts with logo's on, unless it is the school logo. If anyone is struggling to provide this uniform, please contact Mrs. Hatton.

Amendment to previous newsletter

Please note that the photograph provided by Mrs. Jean Lees was from the 1970s and NOT the 1950s as was previously published.

Class 2



In Class 2 this week we have learned our new story which will help us with our own story writing. The children created actions to help learn the story of Oliver's Vegetables.

In maths we have looked at some addition problems. We have started our topic work on 'Ourselves' and learned what humans need to survive and how we grow and change. The children have completed their own portrait painting, looking carefully at their own features. If you are in school, look out for our portrait gallery.



Class 3



This week in Class 3 we have been exploring the life of the Victorians. We started Monday with a very scary Victorian morning; we were given strict rules to follow. We weren't allowed to speak to a teacher until they spoke to us and had to stand up every time an adult entered the room, no matter what we were doing. The punishments were the worst, one girl was caned for speaking and someone was made to wear the Dunce hat for getting a question wrong!

In Class 3 we used this experience morning and read a variety of diaries from Victorians to help learn about the lives of children of that era, be they working in a factory, coal mine, as a chimney sweep or confined to a workhouse. We have begun to explore the injustices between the classes of Victorian Britain and seen how different life could be based on the opportunities that people could afford.

In Science we have looked at forces and magnetism, reflecting on what we already know and learning about the differences between starting and stopping forces. We played charades and tested each other to see if they could work out what sport we were miming, if it was a pushing or pull force and if it was a starting or stopping force.



Class 1



This week in Foundation, we have been looking at the phonemes /oa/ (as in boat, coat), the short /oo/ (as in look, cook and sounds like /u/) and the long /oo/ (as in spoon, moon and zoo). We have also started reading (and learning the actions) to 'Rainbow Fish' which we will continue to look at over the next 2 weeks.

The children have especially enjoyed outdoor play and have shown an interest in creating obstacle courses, balancing, ball games and also racing and chasing games.

Our Race over the Rainbow competition has also started this week! To move over the rainbow, your child will need to have read to an adult 3 times a week and this must be recorded in reading records to count. This can be done on any 3 (or more) days between Saturday-Friday and will be checked on a Friday.



Class 4



Class 4 have been working hard on shape, angles and geometry in maths and we are incredibly proud and pleased to announce that our Year 5/6 maths team won their maths competition at the Vale Academy on 7th March. Sienna and Isabel represented Year 6 and Aaron and Isabel represented Year 5 but they were allowed to discuss answers as a team and collaborate using quick mental recall and maths reasoning.

They were even given the opportunity to choose a level of difficulty for one question. If they chose the most difficult question it was worth 10 marks but it may have been too difficult so they faced the dilemma of choosing a safe question for just one or three marks or a hard question that they could actually answer. They wisely made the decision as a team to attempt the fourth question which was worth seven marks and agreed on the right answer.

What an exceptional performance and it was a joy to witness and share in their success!

Dates for your diary –

New dates in blue



16th March – Year 5 and 6 residential trip
 19th March 2-4:30 at the Village Hall. Coffee afternoon in aid of Brain Tumour Research
 27th March – Tim Pinto – ESAFETY meeting for parents
 28th March – Uncle Bobs assembly
 31st March – Class 1 assembly to parents “A splash of colour”
 3rd April – KS2 singing event at Baths Hall
 4th April - Year 2 singing event at The Baths Hall
 6th April (9:30) Easter Service at Worlaby Church
 6th April – Easter Art Club (3:30-5)
 6th April – School closes for Easter break
 25th April – school reopens after Easter
 26th April - Nick Sharratt’s Draw a long at The Baths Hall (Years 3 – 5)
 MAY – KS1 SATS
 8th May – KS2 SATS WEEK
 12th May – KS2 Swimming (1st of 7)
 24th May – Class 3 assembly to parents (9:15) “The Romans”
 26th May – Close for half term
 5th June – open after half term
 15th June – Year 5 Induction to the Vale academy (more details to follow)
 30th June – Teacher Training Day
 6th July – Year 6 Induction to the Vale academy (more details to follow)
 7th July – Annual reports to parents
 10th July – Uncle Bobs assembly
 12th July – Optional summer parents meeting
 17th July – SPORTS WEEK

Behaviour

(Recorded incidents this week)

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
3	1	1	1

Please see the academy website for details of our behaviour policy. **This week 69 out of 75 children had no recorded behaviour incidents. Well done!**

★ ★ Stars of the Week ★ ★

Class 1 - Lily May

Class 2 - William

Class 2 - Poppy

Class 3 - Meredith

Class 3 - Jasmine

Class 4 - Cerakai

Class 4 - Casey

Spelling Bee Prize

Ruby has sent us a picture to show how she used her Spelling Bee voucher.



Friends of Worlaby School (FOWS)

At the meeting held on Friday 3rd of March, FOWS agreed to arrange two Easter activities for the children.

One is a free of charge, top secret event organised with the Easter Bunny, definitely involving chocolate (or sweets for those children who prefer them). The second is a 'Design an Easter Egg' competition which will have a small entry fee with winning designers receiving a prize – details to follow in due course.

Several future fundraising events were also discussed and we will let you know about these once details are finalised and the committee also agreed to fund the purchase of compost, seeds etc. for Gardening Club which is due to start again soon.

The date and time of the next meeting is yet to be arranged but will be during week commencing April 3rd. All parents are welcome to attend, so do come along and join us.

Attendance

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
97.7% 1 Late	98.1% 0 Lates	95% 1 Late	94.7% 0 Lates

North Lincolnshire Target for attendance is 95%

Worlaby Academy's Target for attendance is 98%

Gardening with Mrs. Otty

On Thursday afternoon, the children in Class 1 took up the challenge to plant and look after the seed potatoes which had been sent by the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (AHDB), as part of their 'Grow Your Own Potatoes' school project. Seven seed potatoes had been received, across two varieties: 4 'Rocket' which all participating schools grow and 3 of a regional variety which in our case was 'Luciole'.

The children carefully planted three of each in the two potato sacks which AHDB had also supplied. The fourth 'Rocket' tuber will be planted into a clear 2ltr plastic bottle so the children can see how it grows underground. Now they need to water and feed the potatoes over the next few months, to ensure that on harvest day (13th June) there is a healthy crop of tasty potatoes waiting for them to find, count, weigh and register.

Now if we only knew of a potato farmer who might be able to offer some advice