



Valley Views

Autumn is now well and truly upon us and, last week, we came together as a school to celebrate harvest and to say thank you for all our gifts. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who donated food items or money to this year's chosen charity, The Chartwell Cancer Trust. Via the School Council, the pupils voted to support a local charity this year and the Chartwell Trust has a specialist children's cancer unit here in Bromley.

World Food Festival

Once again, this year, our harvest celebrations culminated in the ever-popular World Food Festival. A big thank you to all those who brought along a dish and a special thank you to the PTA and volunteers who organised this year's event.



Swimming Gala

Another sterling performance was seen by the school's swimming team this year where they finished second overall in the large schools Bromley Swimming Gala.

First places were awarded to Buster in his Freestyle race, the Girls' Relay Freestyle, Boys' Alternate Relay and Girls' Alternate Relay. Matilda and Maria achieved second place in their individual races along with second place being awarded to the Boys' Freestyle Relay, Boys' Medley, Girls' Medley and the Squadron event. Well done to you all!

Triathlon Success

Last month, a small group of Valley pupils took part in a junior triathlon event at Hever castle. This as the second time the pupils have participated in the event and, this year, saw some truly outstanding performances from our young athletes. Buster came first in his wave and 25th overall out of approximately 500 competitors with Joe finishing 12th in his wave and 15th overall.



Dates for the Diary

October 19th

Pumpkin Ball

October 22nd – 26th

October Half-Term
Holiday

November 6th

PTA AGM

At
3pm





Christmas Fair Update

A big THANK YOU to all the parents who have responded to the PTA's plea for more volunteers to help organize and run this year's Christmas Fair. I am delighted to say that this popular event will go ahead after all this year and it's still not too late to get involved. The Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 8th December. Please do come along and join in the festive spirit!



Safeguarding Update

All parents are kindly reminded to complete the recent Photo Permission Forms that were circulated last week via Parentmail in order for the school to create its new database.

Don't Miss the Deadline

With all the Open Evening events now coming to a close, it is time for parents with pupils in Year 6 to finalise their preferences for secondary school. The electronic forms must be submitted by the 31st October with National Offer Day falling on the 1st March 2019.

PE Kit

The children will be bringing home their PE kits today. Please check that the contents of the PE bag belongs to your child and is clearly named before returning for the second half of the Autumn Term. Thank You!



More Inventions in Yr 5

Following on from last term's visit by Little Inventors, I am pleased to say that Valley has now become a Little Inventors Super School. Last Friday, saw the second visit by the staff from Little Inventors and pupils in Year 5 spent the morning designing a whole array of whacky and wonderful inventions.

Scores on the Doors

The school recently had a visit from The Food Standards Agency to inspect the hygiene in the school kitchen. I am delighted to announce that Valley has maintained its 5 Star Rating and my thanks go to Mrs. Arthur and her dedicated and hardworking team of chefs in the kitchen. Congratulations to them all.



Golfing Success

Congratulations go to Frank who is making quite a name for himself on the golfing circuit. Frank was recently awarded a medal for an exceptional golf score in a competition that he entered with children from the age group above him. Frank scored 61 net, 10 under par. Well done Frank for such an amazing score!



Uniform

In recent weeks, there has been a small number of pupils wearing non-regulation school jumpers. The school jumper or cardigan is the only item of uniform that carries the school logo and it is important that ALL pupils wear the correct uniform to school. The school has a small selection of secondhand uniform which is sold on the playground at various times throughout the year.

Have Your Say

Thank you to all those parents who completed the homework survey during last month's Meet the Teacher event. The school is currently reviewing the school's homework policy and it has been useful to read your views on this matter. If you haven't already completed the survey, you have until the 1st November to share your views. Thank you!



Valley Remembers

If you are out and about in Bromley over the half-term, please look out for some artwork that has been created by the pupils to commemorate the 100th anniversary since the end of the First World War. The project has been organised by Bromley Churches Together and work by pupils from all over Bromley will be displayed at various locations in the town.



Images of Harvest

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