



Reach for the Stars, by Learning and Growing Together

Friday 23rd October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

ATTENDANCE:

Our attendance target for this year is 91.5%. This week we have reached 91.5%.

Attendance this year so far:

- Nursery: 87.3%
- Reception: 95.3%
- Year 1: 89.5%
- Year 2: 89.5%
- Year 3: 94.2%
- Year 4: 93.7%
- Year 5: 91.6%
- Year 6: 88.7%

THIS WEEKS EVENTS:

Monday 26th Oct to Friday 30th Oct	October Half Term Return to school Monday 2nd November 2026
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CAREERS AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES

After three years of dedicated work as the only primary school in the Vale working towards this, we are proud to have achieved our Gold Award for integrating and valuing work-related experiences across our curriculum. This achievement reflects our curriculum purpose in developing children's skills, to broaden their horizons and raise their aspirations for the future.

By connecting classroom learning with the world of work, we help children understand the relevance of their learning and explore future possibilities. Our focus on developing communication, teamwork, problem-solving and independence supports children to recognise their strengths and grow in confidence, preparing them for the next stages of learning and life.

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Thank you, Mrs Walker, our 'HELPING HANDS' parents and volunteers for making the Halloween Party such a wonderful event for our children. They all looked amazing and had a fantastic time. Approximately £300 was made to reinvest into events and school funding.

BIG FRESH MENU CHANGES: NO BAGUETTES OR SANDWICHES AFTER HALF TERM

The menu (below) will commence on 2nd November when we return to school.

HARVEST THURSDAY 22nd October 2026

On Thursday, we celebrated 'Harvest' with an assembly in which we talked about the need to value food, the processes and extensive number of individuals involved in getting food from farms to plates and how we can support others where food is not so readily available. Thank you to everyone who was able to contribute to our food collection. This was picked up later in the morning by Vale Food Bank.

PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY – ATTENDANCE

Please ensure you let us know by 9am if your child is not going to be in school. If they are going to be late please let us know. If a child arrives after 9.30am they can only have a hot school meal and no alternatives as food preparation would have already started.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL APRIL 2027

The Year 6 residential will take place from **Monday 12th April to Wednesday 14th April 2027**. If your child is interested in attending this exciting, action-packed trip, we will be holding a **Teams meeting with the Manor Adventure team on Wednesday 4th November at 4.30pm**. During the meeting, the Manor Adventure team will provide further information about the residential, explain how the trip is structured and answer any questions you may have. The Teams link will be sent to all Year 6 parents via Arbor.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

'Helping Hands' request that any unused, full sets of toys, games and puzzles are sent into school to be sold in our nearly new Christmas sale.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs will continue on Monday 2nd November until Friday 27th November.

CHANGES TO FOREST SCHOOL and PE Days

These changes started on Monday 5th October.

<u>FOREST AND PE TIMETABLE:</u>	
Monday:	Year 5
Tuesday:	Year 2 and Year 3
Wednesday:	Year 1
Thursday:	Nursery and Reception
Friday:	Year 4 and Year 6

NAMES ON PERSONAL ITEMS:

Please ensure your children's jumpers, cardigans, coats and water bottles have their names on.

SNACK:

Children are welcome to bring a fruit snack. This includes apples, bananas etc. Staff cannot cut up fruit for children. Processed 'fruit' snacks that come in packets, pots or wrapping are not allowed.

NUT ALLERGIES:

We have a number of children with nut allergies so nuts and items containing nuts are not allowed in lunchboxes. Please check packets and containers when making lunches for traces of nuts as contact with such items can have significant impact on the health and wellbeing of individuals.

ALN:

Mrs Kingston is our ALNCo. All matters regarding ALN can be sent to the following email address. Learning-NeedsA6@Hwbcmru.net. Mrs Kingston will manage this and all other ALN matters on a Tuesday each week. **This will change to a Monday following half term.**

DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER 2026/27

New Information will be added in red.

DATES	EVENTS
Monday 9th Nov to Friday 13th Nov	Year 5 and Year 6 Residential to Treginnis Farm, St David's.
Tuesday 17th and Weds 18th Nov	Parent/Teacher meetings. All appointments will be undertaken face to face this year. Appointments to follow.
Monday 16th to Friday 20th Nov	Road Safety Week
Friday 20th November	Children in Need
Monday 7th December	Christmas Concert dates TBC
Tuesday 8th December	Christmas Concert dates TBC
Wednesday 9th December	Christmas Concert dates TBC
Thursday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 16th December	Year 1 through to Year 6 - MEMO Hall Billboard Ensemble 1pm to 2.30pm Alice in Wonderland
Thursday 17th December	Christmas Buffet and Party games (pm)
Monday 21st Dec to Friday 1st Jan	Christmas Holidays – Half Term
Monday 4th January	INSET Day – Children do not attend school. Staff training day. Children return to school on Tuesday 5th January 2027.
Monday 11th January to Friday 22nd January	Year 5 swimming lessons – Details to follow.
Monday 8th Feb to Friday 12th Feb	Half Term
Friday 19th March	Red Nose Day
Mon 22nd March to Friday 2nd April	Easter Holidays, Half Term
Monday 5th April	INSET Day – Children do not attend school. Staff training day. Children return to school on Tuesday 6th April 2027.
Thursday 20th May	Sports Day at Jenner Park Stadium
Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June	Half Term Holidays
Friday 2nd July	Reports go home with children
Tuesday 6th July	Moving on assembly Reception @ 9.15am
Wednesday 7th July	Moving on assembly Year 1 @ 9.15am
Thursday 8th July	Moving on assembly Year 2 @ 9.15am
Friday 9th July	Moving on assembly Year 3 @ 9.15am
Monday 12th July	Moving on assembly Year 4 @ 9.15am Moving on assembly Year 5 @ 2.15pm
Tuesday 13th July	Children spend morning in their new classes

Thursday 15 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 9.15am Nursery Graduation / Reception visit @ 11am with parents
Friday 16 th July	Last Day of school year
Monday 19 th and Tuesday 20 th July	INSET Days

Autumn/Winter Menu WEEK 1

MONDAY

Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Potato Wedges, Corn on the Cob & BBQ Dip

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Chocolate Rice Pudding & Fruit Slices

TUESDAY

Beef Bolognese or Vegetable Bolognese served with Pasta or a Jacket Potato, Carrots & Broccoli

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Cheese & Crackers & Fruit Slices

WEDNESDAY

Pork Sausage or Vegan Sausage served with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed & Roast Potato, Peas, Carrots, Vegetable of the Week & Gravy

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Yoghurt & Fruit Slices

THURSDAY

Chicken or Vegetable Korma served with Naan Bread, 50/50 Rice or Jacket Potato, Cauliflower & Broccoli

Hot Tomato Pasta Pot

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Cookie & Fruit Slices

FRIDAY

Bubble Crumb Salmon Fillet or Fish Fingers or Quorn Dippers served with Mashed Potato or Potato Smiles with Baked Beans & Vegetable Medley

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Ice Cream & Fruit Slices

Autumn/Winter Menu WEEK 2

MONDAY

Pork Meatballs or Vegetarian Balls in Gravy served with 50/50 Rice or Pasta, Broccoli & Carrots

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Yoghurt & Fruit Slices

TUESDAY

Cheese Wheel served with Herby Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans & Peas

Hot Tomato Pasta Pot

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Pancake & Peach Slices

WEDNESDAY

Diced Beef in Gravy or Diced Vegan Pieces served in a Yorkshire Pudding with Mashed & Roast Potato, Broccoli, Carrots & Vegetable of the Week

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Ice Cream & Fruit Slices

THURSDAY

Tomato & Basil Pasta served with Cheese, Garlic Bread & Corn on the Cob

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Cheese & Crackers & Fruit Slices

FRIDAY

Bubble Crumb Salmon Fillet or Harry Ramsden's Fish or Quorn Dippers served with Mashed Potato or Potato Waffle with Baked Beans & Vegetable Medley

Jacket Potato & Choice of Filling

Cake & Custard & Fruit Slices

Weekly Dates:

Week 1: W/C: 2/11/26, 16/11/26, 30/11/26, 14/12/26, 11/01/27, 25/01/27

Week 2: W/C: 9/11/26, 23/11/26, 7/12/26, 4/01/27, 18/01/27, 1/02/27

Daily Dessert Alternatives of Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit Available

Fresh Salad & Additional Wholemeal Bread Available Daily

For any special dietary requirements, please contact your school. Allergen information is available on request

We work closely with our main suppliers to maximise the use of Welsh & Fairtrade produce where possible and only use products containing sustainably sourced palm oil as part of our journey to becoming a deforestation-free champion company.

Hydref/Gaeaf Bwydlen WYTHNOS 1

DYDD LLUN

Pitsa Caws a Thomat wedi'i gweini gyda Lletemau Tatws, Corn ar y Cob a Dip Barbeciw

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Pwddin Reis Siocled a Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD MAWARTH

Bolognese Cig Eidion neu Fotognese Llysiau wedi'i weini gyda Phasta neu Ddatws trwy'u Crys, Moron a Broccoli

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Caws a Chracrys, Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD MERCHER

Selsig Porc neu Selsig Fegan wedi'i weini gyda Phwddin Swydd Efrog, Tatws Stwnsh a Thatws Rhosit, Pys, Moron, Llysieuyn yr Wythnos a Grefi

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Iogwrt a Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD IAU

Korma Cyw Iâr neu Lysiau wedi'i weini gyda Bara Naan, Reis 50/50 neu Datws trwy'u Crys, Blodfresych a Brocoli

Pot Pasta Tomato Poeth

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Cwci a Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD GWENER

Filled Eog mewn Brwsion Crensiog neu Bysedd Pysgod neu Dipwyr Quorn wedi'u gweini gyda Thatws Stwnsh neu Wên Tatws, Ffa Pob a Chymysgedd o Lysiau

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Hufen Iâ a Sletsys Ffrwythau

Hydref/Gaeaf Bwydlen WYTHNOS 2

DYDD LLUN

Pelenni Cig Porc neu Belenni Llysieuol mewn Grefi wedi'u gweini gyda Reis 50/50 neu Basta, Brocoli a Moron

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Iogwrt a Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD MAWARTH

Olwyn Gaws wedi'i gweini gyda Thatws wedi'u Deisio â Phertysiau, Ffa Pob a Phys

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Crempong a Sletsys Eirin Gwlanog

DYDD MERCHER

Cig Eidion wedi'i Ddeisio mewn Grefi neu Darnau Fegan wedi'u Deisio mewn Pwddin Swydd Efrog, gyda Thatws Stwnsh a Thatws Rhosit, Brocoli, Moron a Llysieuyn yr Wythnos

Pot Pasta Tomato Poeth

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Hufen Iâ a Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD IAU

Pasta Tomato a Basil wedi'i weini gyda Chaws, Bara Gartleg a Chorn ar y Cob

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Caws a Chracrys a Sletsys Ffrwythau

DYDD GWENER

Filled Eog mewn Brwsion Crensiog neu Bysgod Harry Ramsden's neu Dipwyr Quorn wedi'u gweini gyda Thatws Stwnsh neu Waffl Tatws, Ffa Pob a Chymysgedd o Lysiau

Taten trwy'i Chrŷs a dewis o Lenwad

Teisen a Chwstard a Sletsys Ffrwythau

Wythnos 1: Yn dechrau'r wythnos: 2/11/26, 16/11/26, 30/11/26, 14/12/26, 11/01/27, 25/01/27

Wythnos 2: Yn dechrau'r wythnos: 9/11/26, 23/11/26, 7/12/26, 4/01/27, 18/01/27, 1/02/27

Dewisiadau pwddin dyddiol o iogwrt a ffrwythau ffres ar gael

Salad ffres a bara gwenith cyflawn ychwanegol ar gael bob dydd

Os oes gennych unrhyw ofynion dietegol arbennig, cysylltwch â'ch ysgol. Mae gwybodaeth am alergenau ar gael ar gais

Rydym yn cydwethio'n agos â'n prif gyflenwyr i wneud y defnydd mwyaf posibl o gynnyrch Cymreig a Masnach Deg lle bo modd, ac yn defnyddio cynhyrchion sy'n cynnwys olew palmwydd o ffynonellau cynalladwy yn unig, fel rhan o'n hymdrech i ddod yn gwmni hyrwyddwr di-ddatgoadwigo.