



Valley Views



Kent Schoolboy Success

I am extremely proud to announce that we have had school representation in the Kent Schools' Football League.

Charlie has played in the Orpington Primary School Team for one year and his team won the Championship Cup last week beating Dartford 4-1

Well done to him for representing the school on the Kent Schools' Football League.



It's been another busy start to the second half of the Spring Term on the sporting front.

Many congratulations to our rugby team who came runners up in the Bromley Schools' Tag Rugby Tournament last week. Finishing in second place out of 37 schools is a great achievement for our young rugby players.

The school football team played in the quarter final of the Orpington and District Cup on Tuesday but narrowly missed out on going through to the next round after being beaten by Green Street Green.

The sportsmanship shown by all of our school teams was exceptional and our recent sporting successes clearly show the improvements that have taken place in PE and sporting opportunities over the past five years at Valley.

I look forward to cheering on our cross country runners next Saturday at Crystal Palace. If you're free, please do come along to support the school team at what is one of the highlights of the sporting calendar.

Dates for the Diary

March 6th & 7th
School
Photographer in for
individual pupil
photos.

March 20th – 22nd
Year 4 Trip to
Sayers Croft

March 29th
Grandparents' Tea
and Eggsfactor
Competition

Boulogne Bound

For the past two Fridays, our Year 5 pupils have enjoyed putting their French learning to good use during their day trip to Boulogne. The day trip consisted of a trip to the Aquarium, a walk around the Old Town and the ever-popular afternoon session making croissants at a boulangerie.



PTA Disco

Get your dancing shoes out as the next PTA disco will take place on Friday 17th March.

Yrs 1-3

5.30-6.30

Yrs 4-6

6.45 – 8.15



Valley welcomes Jenny Mosely

In recent weeks, many improvements have been made to the organisation of activities at lunchtime with many more improvements on the way.

We are very fortunate to welcome Jenny Mosely to school on the 16th March to deliver staff training on Positive Active Playtimes.

Jenny has led training all over the world on Circle Time, Positive Play and Pupil Self-Esteem and Wellbeing.

During the day, she will work with our Midday Supervisors to enhance various aspects of the pupils' lunchtime experience.



A Day on the River



On Wednesday, Year 2 headed into London for a boat trip along the Thames. The trip forms part of their learning within their IPC unit on Buildings.

During the trip, the pupils observed many of the famous London landmarks from the river in readiness to use their observations back in class in non-fiction writing and the creation of clay tiles in art.

We look forward to seeing the end products in the weeks to come!

Book Day 2017



Valley pupils thoroughly enjoyed sharing their favourite stories with their classes on Thursday this week to celebrate World Book Day. Some classes even got the opportunity to write their own books.

Thanks also go to the PTA who, once again, organised the book swap – I hope you found some suitable reading material to replenish your bookshelves at home.



Lockdown

As well as practising termly fire drills, schools are also required to carry out Lockdown Drills. We will be practising the school's procedures for full and partial lockdowns over the coming weeks.

Lockdown drills are a normal part of the school's Health and Safety procedures and are **NOT** being carried out as a result of any new or immediate threat to the school.



MAT Parent Forum

Earlier this week, you all received notification from Mr Mitchell, Chair of Governors, about the decision to enter into a MAT partnership with CSAT. Please do come along to the Parent Forum on Thursday 16th March to learn more about the local and National landscape relating to multi-academy trusts, the benefits of working within a MAT and your chance to meet Mrs Andrea Carter, the CEO of CSAT. The Forum will also provide you with the perfect opportunity to ask any question you might have about this future working collaboration.

Sharing Assemblies

It's been a long-standing tradition at Valley, for classes to share their learning with parents in a Sharing Assembly. These take place on Friday afternoons at 3pm and the timetable for the rest of the year is as follows:

5AG – 10th March

2RJC – 24th March

4DL – 28th April

1AG – 5th May

3EE – 19th May

4CI – 9th June

Robins – 16th June

4MS – 23rd June

Sparrows – 30th June

5NM – 7th July

