



Weekly round up!

This week has been a busy and exciting one across the school, with a strong focus on history in many of our classes. Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed their Viking workshop, where they explored life as a Viking and brought their learning to life through a range of hands-on activities. Meanwhile, Year 5 took part in a fascinating Greek workshop, discovering more about Ancient Greece and its lasting influence on the modern world.

It was also wonderful to see 3W perform their class assembly and confidently share their learning about the Romans. The children spoke clearly and enthusiastically, showcasing all they have discovered during their topic work. Well done to everyone involved for such an informative and enjoyable assembly!

Thank you to everyone who attended the reading workshop with Miss Fisher and Miss Hammersley. We hope you found it useful in learning more about the approaches we are using in school and how you can support your child's reading at home.

After half term, we will be launching even more exciting reading initiatives, which we look forward to sharing with you soon!

When we return after half term, the Year 4 window for taking the Multiplication Tables Check will open, and the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check will begin on 8th June.

Over the half term, Year 4 children can take part in different TTRS battles to help practise their times tables and build confidence ahead of the check.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 1st June.

Have a great week!

Mrs Smith

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Trust Update

Training Opportunity- Train to Teach with Hales Valley Trust this September!

Our School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) routes are school-led training courses which gives you the chance to learn the job 'on the job' in a school. You work as part of the teaching team from day one learning from experienced, highly skilled colleagues and immediately put your new skills into practice.

The SCITT programmes will allow successful trainees to achieve Qualified Teaching Status (QTS) as well as a Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE); the first exciting step into a career which would see you on a starting salary of £32,916 once you're fully qualified.

If you are interested, or know someone who would be, we would love to hear from you.

Find out more on our Hales Valley Teaching Hub website- <https://bit.ly/4bKVj7e> or get in touch with Alison by emailing awootton@halesvalleytrust.org.uk

Apply- <https://bit.ly/4uLmlnr>

Hales Valley Trust socials!

We are proud to be a part of Hales Valley Trust, an academy of Primary Schools from across the Dudley borough. Keep up to date with everything happening across our Multi-Academy Trust by following them on social media. Their channels showcase the brilliant work taking place across trust schools, including:

- 🏆 Pupil achievements and celebrations
- 🗣️ Staff highlights and success stories
- 📅 Events, milestones, and opportunities
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👉 Follow, like, and share; you can find Hales Valley on [Facebook](#), [X](#) and [LinkedIn](#)!

How does academy funding work?

We wanted to take a moment to explain how school funding works now that we are part of a Multi Academy Trust (MAT), and how this differs from when we were a Local Authority Maintained School. We've put together a document explaining this, and you can [read the full document](#) online from parentmail.

Class Attendance %

1H	94.4
1CD	90.1
2R	87.8
2M	93.7
3W	90
3H	96.3
4O	88.2
4S	90
5K	90.3
5F	90
6H	90
6W	82.3
Ducklings	92
Hedgehogs	92.2

goodbye

This week we say a sad farewell to Mrs Parsons (née Millsom), who will be leaving us after half term to begin a new pastoral role at another school.

We would like to thank her for the care, dedication, and support she has shown to our children over the past few years, particularly within the nursery provision and through the nurture interventions she has led. Her kindness and commitment have made a real difference to so many children and families in our school community.

Nurture sessions will continue after half term, and we will send further information regarding the groups.

We wish Mrs Parsons every success and happiness in her new role and thank her for all she has contributed during her time with us.

Well done to our class
attendance winners this week



Summer 1 Week 6

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