

Valley Views

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Cross-Country Success

Last month, pupils from Years 5 and 6 took part in the Bromley Schools' cross-country competition at Crystal Palace Park. Many of those who took part succeeded on improving on their previous best but, on the day, there was one stand out performance from one of our Yr 6 boys. Our congratulations go to Emery who came first in the Year 6 race. His confident running style was clear for all to see and he maintained a substantial lead throughout the race.



Curriculum Round-Up

It has been another busy term at Valley with the pupils studying a broad, balanced curriculum across all subject areas. From our core spine of texts, pupils have been exposed to theme of Ambition and Aspiration. In Design and Technology, Yr 2 have been busy making puppets while pupils in Yrs 1 and 4, have put their culinary skills to the test by making soup and bread respectively. In History and Geography, learning has ranged from identifying human and physical features to the land of Ancient Egypt.





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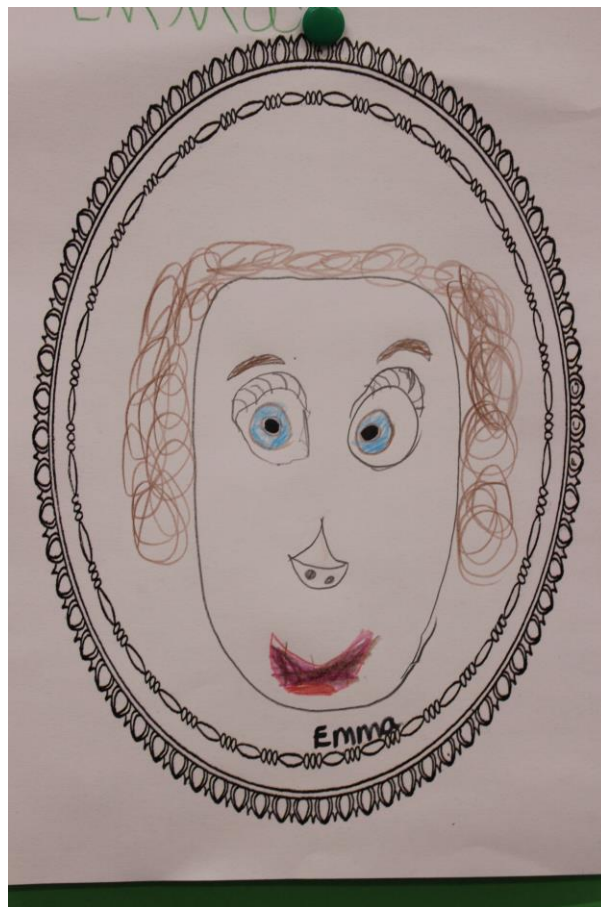
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Saving your work...

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County Fair 12 October 12:00 - 05:00 USA

*** DON'T DELAY COME TODAY ***

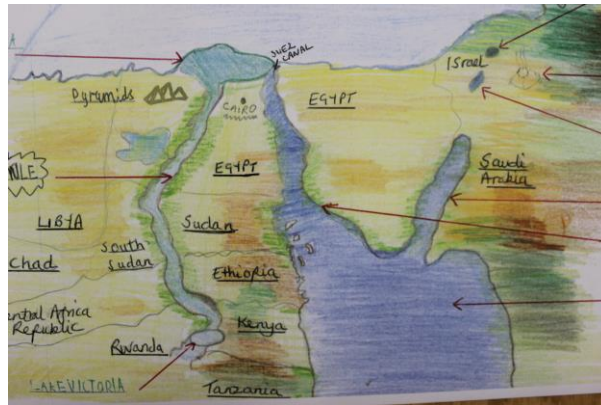
Have you ever seen the most famous and special pig in the world? See this radiant pig now. Now is your chance to see a great pig. You must come to this County Fair on October 12th 2023. Even if you're not an animal lover, this pig shall change your mind. For sure Zuckerman's pig can do backflips and jumps. You shall not regret seeing this stunning pig. Come today and see Wilbur now.

Did you know that at this County Fair you can have delicious hot dogs, or some scrumptious candy floss or would you like some sweet food? Maybe you would like a ride on the Ferris wheel? If you don't like heights, maybe the merry-go-round is more your type. Furthermore, we have bumper cars you shall never forget. This shall be the best fair you have ever been to.

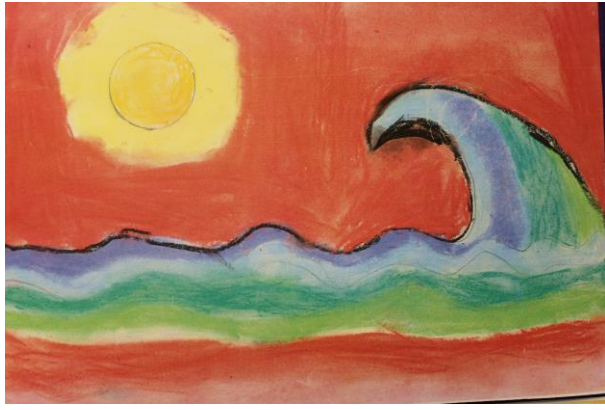
WILBUR!

Don't miss out on best day ever! Fantastic fun for all the family! A must for any animal Lovers!!!

Buy 10 tickets for the price of 7! 2 hot dogs = 1 fantastic ride! ADULTS = \$10 CHILD CAN BE FREE!!











Christmas Fair



Our thanks, once again, go to the PTA for organising another fundraising event. On Friday 8th December, the Christmas Fair took place in the school hall. There was festive cheer aplenty with various stalls, craft stations and food and drink. The school choir opened this year's event with a rousing rendition of Kuyimbah, a song from Malawi followed by a cheerful crowd-pleaser, Seven Feet

of Snow. Initial figures show that over £3,500 was raised so a big thank you to all the families who came along to support and to those who bought a Christmas tree from the PTA this year.

Poppy Appeal 2023



Thank you to all who contributed to this year's poppy appeal at Valley. A total of £365 was raised for the Royal British Legion.

Carols and Christmas Nativities

A big well done to all the pupils who have delivered the message of Christmas this week. The performance began on Tuesday with pupils in Key Stage 2 telling the Christmas Story through readings, poems and song. A special thank you to Rev'd Harratt for once again allowing the school to use Bromley Parish Church and to Mr Mussard who played the piano and organ.

On Wednesday and Thursday morning it was the turn of Key Stage 1 who presented their nativity play, Prickly Hay.

For many, Christmas doesn't really begin, until our youngest pupils have performed their nativity play and this year's cohort of four and five year olds did not disappoint with their performance of A Wriggly Nativity.



























eSafety update

Here are a few ideas to help you and your family with screen time

1. Agree on a clear set of rules with your child on screen time in the home. Talk to your child about when you think it is appropriate and inappropriate to use screens. Agree times when screens are allowed and not allowed in the home. For example: no screens before school, at dinner time, nor bedtime.
2. Do as you say. Modelling behaviour is THE most powerful way you can influence your child's behaviour so let them see you limiting your own screen time.

3. Restrict the use of computers/devices in the bedroom. Depending on the age of your child you may want to set a curfew or ban devices from the bedroom completely. It is important that we encourage openness and mentor

alongside our children and whilst it is important to respect privacy, we must always be mindful of stranger danger as a digital problem.

4. Pick one evening a week where you do a family activity together, whether it's movie night, games night or something else. Doing activities together as a family will help implement screen time guidelines and offer fun alternatives.



For the latest guidance for parents visit: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>

Agents for Change



As part of the ongoing work at Valley relating to equality and diversity, six members of Year 5 have been chosen to act as the school's Agents for Change. The pupils recently attended a whole-day

workshop in Gravesend run by Equaliteach where they further developed their understanding of the different forms of identity-based bullying. The first job for our newly appointed Agents for Change is to finalise the school's action plan and to plan some whole-school assemblies on different aspects of inclusion.

Peer Mediators

In November, the Year 5 Peer Mediators completed their 4-week training programme with Behaviour Matters Ltd. They now join the Year 6 Mediators to carry out their duties on the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds. They perform an important role of helping their peers with minor disputes or friendship problems. They have been trained to use a Restorative Approach to help the children to resolve the issue through talking and listening, and achieve a 'win-win' solution.



Spring Term Menus

[WEEKLY MENU] <i>Oliver</i> Week 1					
Week Commencing: Mon 1st Jan - Mon 22nd Jan - Mon 19th Feb - Mon 11th Mar					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish of the Day	BBQ Jerk Chicken	Beef Burger + Homemade Potato Wedges (G, SE*, SO)	Roast Turkey + Gravy	Chicken and Tomato Basil Pasta (G, MK)	Fish Fingers + Chips (F, GI)
Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Jerk Vegetable Curry (GI*)	Vegetable Bean Burger + Homemade Potato Wedges (G, SE*, SO)	Root Vegetable Wellington (CE, E, GI)	Tomato + Basil Pasta (CE, GI)	Vegan Nuggets + Chips (GI)
Vegetable Choice	Rice + Peas with Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans or Cressau (E, MD)	Rustic Roast Potatoes + Medley of Seasonal Vegetables	Garlic Bread and Green Salad (G, MK)	Beans or Peas
Dessert of the Day	Banana Sponge with Vanilla Sauce (E, G, MK)	Fruit Jelly	Iced Vanilla Sponge (E, GI)	Shortbread Biscuit (GI)	Ice Cream (MK)
Jacket Potato Bar	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details
Cold Selection	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit







Abbreviations:
CE = Celery, CR = Crustacean, E = Eggs, F = Fish, G = Cereals Containing Gluten, L = Lush, MK = Milk, MD = Mustard, MJ = Mustard, N = Nuts, P = Peanut, SO = Soya, SD = Sunflower, SE = Sesame Seeds, * = May Contain

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[WEEKLY MENU] <i>Oliver</i> Week 2					
Week Commencing: Mon 8th Jan - Mon 29th Jan - Mon 26th Feb - Mon 28th Mar					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish of the Day	Spaghetti Beef Bolognese (GI)	Pepperoni Pizza (G, MK)	Roast Gannon + Gravy	Mild Chicken Tikka Masala + Rice (CE, G*, MK)	Battered Fish + Chips (F, GI)
Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Vegetable Bolognese with Spaghetti (CE, GI)	Veggie Supreme Pizza (G, MK)	Winter Vegetable Quiche + Nut Free Pesto (E, G, MK)	Vegetable + Lentil Dahl Rice (CE, GI)	Homemade Veggie Sausage + Chips (GI)
Vegetable Choice	Garlic Bread and Green Salad (G, MK)	Seasoned Potato Wedges + Sweetcorn	Rustic Roast Potatoes + Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Beans or Peas
Dessert of the Day	Lemon Drizzle Cake (E, G, SO)	Fruit Jelly	Classic Jam Sponge + Custard (E, G, MK, SO*)	Selection of Fruit Mousse (MK)	Chocolate Orange Sponge with Chocolate Sauce (E, G, MK, SO)
Jacket Potato Bar	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details
Cold Selection	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit

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[WEEKLY MENU] <i>Olive</i> Week 3					
Week Commencing: Mon 25th Jan - Mon 5th Feb - Mon 4th Mar - Mon 25th Mar					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Main Dish of the Day	Beef Bourguignone Pasta Bake (G, MK)	Chicken Hot Dog (CE, G, SE*, SO*, SU)	Roast Chicken + Gravy	Beef Lasagne (E*, G, MK)	Fish Fingers + Chips (F, GI)
 Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Roasted Vegetable Lasagne (E*, G, MK)	Quorn Hot Dog (E, G, SE*)	Roasted Vegetable Pilo Parcel + Tomato Sauce (CE, GI)	Mac + Cheese (G, MK)	Veggie Burger (G, SE*)
 Vegetable Choice	Chef's Salad + Coleslaw (E, MD)	Homemade Potato Wedges	Rustic Roast Potatoes + Seasonal Vegetables	Green Salad or Coleslaw (E, MD)	Beans or Peas
 Dessert of the Day	Forest Fruit Trifle (E, G, MK*)	Fruit Jelly	Apple Crumble + Custard (G, MK)	Fruity Flapjack (GI)	Double Chocolate Chip Cookie (E, G, MK, SO)
 Jacket Potato Bar	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details	See Board for Details
 Cold Selection	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit

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And finally.....are your hands cold?



A parent, friend or family member who attended last week's Key Stage 2 Carol Service at the church left a pair of gloves behind. They were found near the front of the church on the right-hand side pews. If you attended the service and lost a pair of gloves, please come along to the Main Office to reclaim them.

Parking



Once again, can I please remind parents of the need to need to park safely and responsibly on the surrounding roads. Sadly, there have been two more incidents recently of Valley parents parking irresponsibly and then being verbally abusive to our neighbours, members of the public or indeed fellow parents. Parents should not mount pavements when dropping off or collecting children from school and parents are NOT PERMITTED to park their cars in Shelby Court on Farnaby Road. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Save the date



Upcoming dates for diary:

- 19th December at 3.30pm - End of Term
- 3rd January 2024 - INSET Day (School Closed to Pupils)
- 4th January 2024 - First Day of Spring Term

Thank you for reading!