



Key Dates:

Mondays

Continuation of kickboxing after school club 3-4pm

Tuesdays

Arts and Crafts Club 3-4pm

Lunchtime choir

Wednesdays

Continuation of cricket club 3-4pm

Fridays

Continuation of morning fitness club 8.00—8.45am

Continuation of dodgeball club 3-4pm

15, 16 & 17 April

Year 6 SATs Easter school 9am-1pm

Monday 6 May

May Day—School closed for one day

Tuesday 7 May

Reception and Year 6 class photos

13-17 May

Year 6 SATs week

Wednesday 22 May

Under 11 Cricket Tournament

Thursday 23 May

School closes for Spring Bank holiday

Wednesday 5 June

School re-opens after Spring Bank holiday

Easter Bonnet Competition & Easter Egg Raffle

Well done to Joshua (Y5), Summer (Y4), Archie (Y2) and Lexie (YR) for winning this year's Easter bonnet competition.

This morning's Easter Egg raffle was a huge success—thank you to all the staff who kindly donated Easter eggs... hopefully most of them will make it to the end of the day without being demolished by tempted girls and boys!!



Road Safety

Over the past two weeks we have received more than one report from concerned adults who have witnessed some of our younger children putting themselves in potential danger on the way to school; such as running off from adults, hiding near parked cars or stepping into the road. We have spoken to KS1 and Early Years children about walking to school safely and sensibly—please reinforce this message at home.



We had a lovely visit last week from Mrs Hiley and the beautiful baby Thomas. I think it's safe to say Year 2 were smitten!



Tuesday 21st May

Incredibles 2

Movie night will finish at 4.45pm.

Tickets will be on sale nearer the time.



Headteacher's Message



My goodness, what a busy half term that was!

Thank you to all of you who came to our open mornings; it was lovely to hear your positive feedback. It is incredibly important that your children have the opportunity to share their learning environment with you and show you work they are proud of. We plan to hold a further open morning before the end of Summer term.

On Tuesday we had our annual Trust Safeguarding Review. I am extremely proud of everyone in school for playing their part in what turned out to be an overwhelmingly successful and positive day - in particular the dedication, care and knowledge demonstrated by staff when it comes to safeguarding our children. We have worked so hard to create this culture, and I am so pleased it is visible and evident to anyone who visits school.

During his visit, the reviewer talked to a group of pupils to gather their thoughts and views. It was clear that our pupils see school as a safe place - confident that they can talk to any adult in school (without exception) if they are worried or concerned. Aspects such as online safety, healthy relationships and local issues are extremely well taught - and our bespoke PSHE curriculum is a huge strength.

In summary, every aspect of safeguarding at Worth Valley Primary School is rigorous, robust and thoroughly embedded in daily practice: recruitment procedures, risk assessment, site safety, the curriculum, procedures for reporting child protection concerns, the new website, responding to safeguarding scenarios and consistently improving attendance.



Attendance Incentive

Next half term is unusually short, containing only 18 school days!

We will be rewarding EVERY child who achieves 100% attendance over next half term with a prize. Children will be able to select a book of their choice from a huge selection of brand new books during celebration assembly on Thursday 23 May. To ensure pupils with an existing medical diagnosis are not discriminated from achieving success, pre-booked hospital appointments will be authorised (please show appointment confirmation to Mrs Barnes). However, GP and dentist appointments will **not** be authorised, as national guidelines state that these should be made out of school hours. As always, pupils arriving late after the register closes will receive an unauthorised absence.

Have a fantastic break, and we will see you back at school on **Monday 29 April**.



Attendance

Attendance figures for the last 3 weeks are as follows:

w/c 25 March 2019	
Reception	98.62%
Year 1	100% ★
Year 2	95.33%
Year 3	97.86%
Year 4	98.15%
Year 5	94.91%
Year 6	99.05% ★

w/c 1 April 2019	
Reception	86.9%
Year 1	94.33%
Year 2	89%
Year 3	94.29%
Year 4	94.81%
Year 5	97.98%
Year 6	87.93%

w/c 8 April 2019	
Reception	94.64%
Year 1	87.04%
Year 2	91.48%
Year 3	90.48%
Year 4	88.07%
Year 5	98.61%
Year 6	98.47%

Please phone school to inform us of any absences on 01535 604240

We will continue to work closely to support families of those children whose attendance falls below 90%. In most cases this is known as persistent absence. Our Parental Involvement Worker – Mrs Tonya Barnes – is working alongside the Senior Leadership Team to actively engage parents and families who may be in need of further support.



During the week 25-29 March, whole school attendance was the highest so far this year!

We celebrated by enjoying an extra long playtime.



Year 1 achieved 100% and were rewarded with a non-uniform day and Year 6 earned hot chocolate and biscuits!



Providing opportunities for children to maximise learning and apply their skills in different contexts is one of our key priorities. In the last couple of weeks, Year 6 enjoyed a visit to the Keighley and Worth Valley Railway to witness the re-launch of the Bahamas Locomotive; meeting the Lord Mayor in the process! Year 1 watched a performance of Jackie and the Beanstalk, and we loved inviting you in for our open mornings to show off all the fantastic work we have been doing!



Year 6 visit to the KWVR



Open Morning



Y1 visit to theatre performance



EASTER CAMP

KID FIT

LASER TAG
BOUNCY CASTLE, FOOTBALL, DANCE, ARTS & CRAFTS, DEN BUILDING, CAPTURE THE FLAG, DODGE BALL AND MORE...!

WHERE....?
WORTH VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

WHEN...?
15TH 16TH 17TH APRIL 3 DAYS
TIMES...?
8.45AM TO 4PM

COST? £15 A DAY £10 SIBLING (AGE 5-14)
TO BOOK
CONTACT JONNY ON 07854019240 OR
KIDFITCAMP@AOL.CO.UK
LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON



World Autism Awareness Day was on 2 April this year. We raised awareness of children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) through a range of classroom resources and activities.

