

Parent Newsletter

Friday 31 March 2023

This week really has been a week where our pupils have demonstrated their '**pursuit of excellence**'. I was able to award over 30 Executive Headteacher Awards to acknowledge the excellence demonstrated by so many pupils on a daily basis and moving forward this will be a half termly feature of our school calendar. **Congratulations** to all pupils who received awards.



This was also the week for the **School of Rock**. Mrs Brush and her creative team have given our pupils the most amazing experience being a part of this school production. I did not stop smiling through the whole performance, such incredible talent. Our 68 Primary pupils who visited from Partner schools on Tuesday also enjoyed their first Test Valley experience, and we are planning many more to come.

Thank you to all parents and cares that have attended our Post-Ofsted evenings and/or completed the survey or emailed me. As I have said before, your feedback is central to our school improvement journey. The plan, along with regular updates, will be shared from April by myself and Mrs Goodridge. There will also be further opportunities to come into our school and meet with us.

After the Easter break, we move to a slightly amended timetable to support all pupils with their learning experience in school. This timetable ensures pupils have a subject specialist with them and we have been able to increase our provision of PE. Pupils will still have two breaktimes, a slightly longer one in the morning, and 5 minutes for registration at the end of Break 2 in the afternoon. In addition, Mrs Collins will oversee Years 8 and 9.

Times of the Day

8.50 - Registration

9.25 - 10.25 - Lesson 1

10.25 - 11.25 - Lesson 2

11.25 - 11.50 - Break 1

11.50 - 12.50 - Lesson 3

12.50 - 1.50 - Lesson 4

1.50 - 2.15 - Break 2

2.15 - 3.20 - Lesson 5

My sincere thanks for your support over the past term, I wish you and your families a joyful Easter and look forward to seeing you in the new term.

Best Wishes,
Mrs McKeown

Forthcoming Dates:

Monday 3 – Friday 14 April – Easter Holidays
Monday 17 April – Grandstand Photographs (change of date)
Thursday 20 April – Yr 7 Parent Consultation Evening (in person)

More about all the activities occurring in and out of lessons at Test Valley School can be found on our Facebook page, Twitter Feed and Instagram Account. Reshares and likes are always appreciated!

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Vacancies

Please see our website for current vacancies: [Test Valley School - Vacancies](#)

Venue Hire

Do you require a room for a meeting or sports event? School facilities are available to hire outside of the school day. Please email leisure@testvalley.hants.sch.uk for all enquiries.

Exam Invigilators

We are seeking a number of examination invigilators to support our Exams Officer. You will be working on a casual basis during the exam seasons from May-June, plus November and January. Successful candidates will be responsible for ensuring that exams are conducted in accordance with established procedures and regulations, including supervising students during exams, distributing and collecting exam papers and materials, and reporting any irregularities or issues to the appropriate authorities.

This role welcomes candidates from any sector or experience and is a great opportunity to work in a rewarding and flexible role, and to play a key part in supporting the academic achievements of our students. Full training will be given.

If you are interested in this position, please apply today (recruitment@testvalley.hants.sch.uk) with your CV and a covering letter explaining your suitability for the role.

Remaining INSET Day

Friday 23 June

Used School Uniform

We are always in need of good quality second hand school uniform and PE kit. If you can help, please drop it in to the school office after the Easter break. Many thanks.

Parents Consultation Evenings

We have 2 Parent Consultation Evenings when we return after the Easter break namely:

Thursday 20 April, 4-7pm in the school hall for **Year 7 pupils**

Thursday 27 April 4-7pm in the school hall for **Year 8 pupils**

Information about how you can book in for these important meetings will be sent out next week.

RESCHEDULED Grandstand Photograph

We have had to rearrange the whole year photograph for **Year 11 pupils only**. This will now be taking place during Tutor time on **Monday 17th April**, the day school resumes after the Easter holiday. This is a wonderful memento for the pupils to have of Test Valley School as they move on to the next stage of their lives.

Pupil Anonymous Reporting Function

Anonymous - Reporting bullying or other concerns you have



New Pupil Timetables

Please see below the planned timetable changes for the summer term.

New Timetable Structure – from April 2023

Year 7

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	PE – all	7A – Science 7B – History 7C – English	PE – all	7A – English 7B – Science 7C –History	7A – Drama 7B – English 7C -Geography
2	Maths – all	7A – English 7B – Art 7C -Science	7A – English 7B – Geography 7C - Geography	Maths – all	MFL - all
3	7A - English 7B – English 7C – History	PE – All	Maths - all	Food/ Art/ Spanish	Maths - all
4	Food/ Art/ Spanish – new classes	MFL - All	7A – Science 7B – Science 7C -English	7A – Geography 7B – Drama 7C -English	7A – Geography 7B – Science 7C - Art
5	7A – History, 7B – Geography 7C – English	Food/ Art/ Spanish	7A – Art 7B – English 7C -Drama	7A – History 7B – English 7C -Science	7A – Science 7B – History 7C -Science

Year 8

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	8A – History 8B –History 8C – Art	8A – Science 8B –Drama 8C –Geography	Maths – all	PE – all	8A – Science 8B –Art 8C –History
2	PE – all	PE – all	8A – Drama 8B –Science 8C –History	8A – Geography 8B –English 8C –English	8A – Geography 8B –Science 8C –English
3	8A – Science 8B –English 8C –Drama	8A – History 8B – Science 8C – English	8A – English 8B –English 8C –Geography	Maths – all	8A – Art 8B –History 8C –Science
4	8A – English 8B –Geography 8C –English	8A – English 8B – English 8C –Science	Food/ Art/ Spanish	MFL/ Intervention	Maths - all
5	Food/ Art/ Spanish – new classes	Maths - all	PE - All	8A – English 8B –Geography 8C –Science	MFL

Year 9

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	Food/ DT/ Spanish	PE - all	9A – Science 9B –English 9C –Science	9A – Science 9B –Geography 9C –Science	MFL/ Intervention - all
2	9A – Art 9B –History 9C –English	9A – History 9B –Science 9C –English	Maths – all	MFL/ Intervention - all	9A – History 9B –Drama 9C –Science
3	Maths – all	9A – Science 9B –Geography 9C –Science	PE – all	9A – Geography 9B –History 9C –English	Food/ DT/ Spanish
4	9A – Drama 9B –English 9C –History	Maths – all	PE - all	9A – English 9B –Science 9C –Art	9A – Science 9B –English 9C –Drama
5	9A – English 9B –Science 9C –Geography	9A – English 9B –English 9C –Geography	9A – English 9B –Science 9C –English	PE - all	9A – Geography 9B –Art 9C –History

Year 10

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	10P/10Q – English 10R/10S - Science	Option B	Option C	Option B	10P/10Q – Science 10R/10S - PE
2	Option C	Option C	Option B	Option A	10P/10Q – Maths 10R/10S - PE
3	10P/10Q – PE 10R/10S - English	10P/10Q – English 10R/10S -Maths	10P/10Q – Science 10R/10S - English	10P/10Q – English 10R/10S - Science	10P/10Q – PE 10R/10S -English
4	10P/10Q – Maths 10R/10S - PE	Option A	Option A	10P/10Q – Science 10R/10S - Maths	10P/10Q – PE 10R/10S - Science
5	10P/10Q – Science 10R/10Maths5 -	10P/10Q – Science 10R/10S - Science	10P/10Q – Maths 10R/10S - Science	10P/10Q – Maths 10R/10S - English	10P/10Q – English 10R/10S - Maths

Option A – DT, Food, Geography, History, Music, PE

Option B – Art, Computer Science, DT, Food, German, History

Option C – Animal Care, Construction, Computer Science, Drama, French, Geography, RE

Year 11

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	Maths – all	English – all	English – all	English – all	Maths – all
2	English – all	Maths – all	Science – all	Science – all	English – all
3	Option C	Option B	Option B	Option A	Science – all
4	Science – all	Science – all	Maths – all	Option C	Option A
5	PE - all	Option A	Option C	Option B	PE - all

Option A – German, Music, PE, DT, History

Option B – Land-Based Studies, Art, French, RE, DT, German

Option C – Computer Science, Geography, History, Food

Headteacher Awards

The following pupils have received a Headteacher's award from Mrs McKeown this week, either in person or by post. Well done everyone:

KS4

Sam J, Holly G, Josie B, Liam N, Lily W, Sarah B, Keysha M, Asher P, Harriet D, Angus B, Henry A, Ruby A, Oliver H, Megan M, Ruby R, Elliot H-S

KS3

Violet H-S, George G, Riley S, Ethan E, Rosie C, Jack W, Alexis B, Julita C, Lucy F, Livvy S, Callum E, Victoria S, Violet C, Bryn B, Megan R, Ailsa S, Cain F, Bethany H, Barney G, Evie K

KS3 Art

In Art, year 7, 8, 9 pupils have been working on Easter baskets, bunnies and eggs. They were drawing and painting.

Happy Easter!



KS3 Celebrations

Full list of awards: [Test Valley School - Celebrations](#)

Certificates for 100% Class Charts for this term

- Ethan E
- Victoria S
- Harriet S
- Henry B
- Darcy B
- Alice R
- Freddie P
- Freya B
- Faizah A
- George G
- Eryka H
- Alfie W

Year 7

Congratulations



Certificates for 100% Class Charts for this term

Year 8

- Harry C
- Amelie T
- Charlie H
- Leo B
- Alfie A
- Harvey J
- Felix S
- Kaycie-Lea C
- Taran J-D
- Pippa F
- Joel C
- Julita C
- Livvy S
- Lucy F
- Grace M
- Tilly L
- Leon D
- Zac B
- Callum E
- Mia S
- Teddy L-C
- Beau D
- Sienna P
- Henry R
- Flora R
- Brooke T
- Alexis B
- Annabel A
- Ted T
- Addi R

Congratulations
😊

Certificates for 100% Class Charts for this term

Year 9

- Rosie W
- Sravana A P
- Ailsa S
- Evie K
- Bethan H
- Elliot W
- Megan R
- Oliver L-C
- Cain F

Congratulations
😊



Certificate and Easter Egg for Top Class Charts Tutee for the Spring

- 7 Phoenix Rosie C
- 8 Phoenix Grace M
- 9 Phoenix Rosie W
- 7 Griffin Kathryn V
- 8 Griffin Livvy S
- 9 Griffin Sravana A P
- 7 Centaur Neve M
- 8 Centaur Julita C
- 9 Centaur Ailsa S

KS4 Celebrations

Full list of awards: [Test Valley School - Celebrations](#)

Certificates for 100% Class Charts for this term

Year 11

- Alfie R
- Angus B
- Artem T
- Elliott H-S
- Harriet D
- Isabella T
- Kyan F
- Lily R
- Maddison W
- Megan M
- Milo M
- Oliver H
- Ruby A
- Ruby B
- Ruby R



Congratulations
😊

Certificates for 100% Class Charts for this term

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Year 10

- Daisy C
- Elizabeth F
- Evie W
- Harriet W
- Harry G
- Holly G
- Holly W
- Ivalina K
- Jack F
- Jemima L
- Josie B
- Keysha M
- Liam N
- Mason B
- Milly P
- Oliwier D
- Sam J
- Sarah B
- Seren S
- Toby B
- Tyler L



Certificates for 100% Class Charts for this term

Certificate and choc for Top Class Charts Tutee for the Spring Term

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| • 10 Centaur | ► Sam J |
| • 10 Griffin | ► Josie B |
| • 10 Phoenix (PH) | ► Sarah B |
| • 10 Phoenix (PX) | ► Keysha M |
| • 11 Centaur (CE) | ► Harriet D |
| • 11 Centaur (CR) | ► Ruby A |
| • 11 Griffin | ► Oli H |
| • 11 Phoenix | ► Elliot H-S |

► Choc bars can be collected at the end of the assembly

KS3 & KS4

Shoutouts to our top  points earners

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Rosie C	Julita C	Ailsa S	Lili Penelope R	Maddison W
Michelle A	Livvy S	Rosie W	Asha P	Elliott H-S
Victoria S	Lucy F	Elliot W	Sarah B	Lily R
Freya B	Zac B	Eleanor Y	Luna A	Amy S
Violet HS	Annabel A	Bethany H	Jack F	Harriet D
Liqi L	Evie H	Oliver LC		Kyan F
Jack W	Callum E	Lisia LCN		
	Flora R			

GCSE Summer Exam Timetable

Please use the below link to access timetable information for the summer GCSE exams

[Test Valley School - Yr 11 Exam Information](#)

Stitch-A-Logo

Stitch-a-Logo Ltd are offering a 10% discount in store only for parents/guardians looking to buy school uniform for all schools we supply.

The offer of 10% off will be available **IN STORE ONLY** from March 6th to the 28th of April 2023.

This information can be viewed via the rolling banner on our website, in addition we are publishing it through the local social media sites.

Year 11 How to Revise Workshop

HOW TO REVISE

Year 11 Workshops

With mock exams out of the way it is time for the big preparation drive towards the GCSE examinations. In addition to the classroom preparations, lunchtime and after school workshops, immediately after half term during Monday tutor times we will be running workshops in the school hall for Year 11 pupils. The details of these are shown below.

Date	Time	Location	Topic	Delivered by
Monday 20 th February	08.55 to 09.25	Hall	The basics, the place, the resources, and the techniques	Mr Langdown
Monday 27 th February	08.55 to 09.25	Hall	How to use past exam papers to revise	Mr Langdown
Monday 6 th March	08.55 to 09.25	Hall	The tailored revision planner	Mr Langdown
Monday 13 th March	08.55 to 09.25	Hall	Maximising your revision techniques with English	Miss Barton
Monday 20 th March	08.55 to 09.25	Hall	Maximising your revision techniques with Mathematics	Mr Whatley
Monday 27 th March	08.55 to 09.25	Hall	Maximising your revision techniques with science	Mrs White

[Test Valley School - Yr 11 Exam Information](#)

College Open Events

Please see our website for the latest information on College open events with information on how to book a place.

[Test Valley School - College Open Events 2022-23](#)

Andover College

Registrations are now open for the next open event on **Wednesday 10 May 2023, 4.30pm – 7.30pm**

To attend, students will need to register for the event **as soon as possible** by visiting [Open Events - Andover College | Hampshire](#) as the events do fill up quickly!

Also, for year 11s it is not too late to apply to Andover College as applications are still open and students can apply by visiting the Andover College website or by using [Apply - Full Time and Part Time courses - Andover College | Hampshire](#).

Queen Mary's College Open Evening



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Year 10 Taster Days

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Year 10 pupils are encouraged to attend college taster days with our local colleges. **Peter Symonds College** will be holding taster days on **26 and 27 June 2023**. Please use the above link to access their site and book a place.

Any pupils attending, must make their own arrangements for travel to and from the college and you must let school know if you will be attending.

Further information will follow in due course regarding the Taster Day for arrangements for Andover College.

Please see below, information from the Mental Health Support Team:

Hampshire Carer Parent Network (HCPN) events

Please find attached some information regarding events being run by the Hampshire Carer Parent Network (HCPN). Some of these are being held out of the area but the content may be of interest to some of your parents/ carers.

HAF - free provision by Hampshire County Council over the Easter Holidays

Please see the link below regarding Easter activities around the Andover area

<https://andoverfamilylife.co.uk/2023/03/21/easter-holiday-activities-and-events-in-andover/>

Self-Harm Support Hub

The emotional and psychological implications of self-harm can be overwhelming, and many carers and professionals may feel unsure of how best to support someone who self-harms.

The self-harm support hub is a centralized resource for parents, carers and professionals who support young people who self-harm. The hub provides information and resources on the most effective ways to support young people who engage in self-harm, including evidence-based strategies for prevention and intervention. This includes information on the different types of self-harm, warning signs to look out for, and practical tips for supporting a young person who is self-harming.

One of the unique features of the self-harm support hub is the access to peer support where parents, carers and professionals could connect with one another to share experiences, advice, and support. This provides a valuable opportunity for carers and professionals to learn from one another, exchange ideas, and build a supportive network.

In the coming months, the self-harm support hub will also offer a range of educational resources, such as webinars and training modules. These resources are designed to equip professionals with the knowledge and skills needed to effectively support young people who self-harm.


You can find out more about the service and register your interest in receiving support at

solentmind.org.uk/theseelfharmsupporthub

Future in Mind Cyber Safety from a Police Commissioner



- ✓ Learn what to look for
- ✓ Professional advice
- ✓ Keep your child safe
- ✓ Gain Strategies
- ✓ Free Peer Support



CAMHS Aldershot GU11 3JD
Thurs 20th April 10.15-12.15

BOOK VIA  www.linktr.ee/hpcn.org.uk

 Hampshire Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Service


Wednesday 26th April 2023
Book your space
<https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events>
Location: Thornden School, Winchester Road, Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh,
Hampshire, SO53 2DW



The events include a variety of 60-minute workshops which focus on relevant issues, such as:

- Helping boost body image and self-esteem
- Managing ADHD
- Supporting a child with eating difficulties
- CARE (coping and resilience education)
- Crisis and self-harm
- Autism Awareness
- Anxiety Management

Come and say hello at our stand



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Developing Positive Communication

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- ✓ Meet a Professional
- ✓ Identify Struggles
- ✓ Develop Skills
- ✓ Gain Strategies



Basingstoke
Friday 28th April 10-12

BOOK VIA 



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Hampshire Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Service

Future in Mind

Thinking Beyond the Behaviour

- ✓ Free Peer Support
- ✓ Meet a Professional
- ✓ Identify Struggles
- ✓ Develop Skills
- ✓ Gain Strategies



Havant
Thursday 27th April
10-12

BOOK VIA 



www.linktr.ee/hpcn.org.uk



Hampshire Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Service



Ask
About
Autism



Nurturing The Positive Autistic Identity

Online
19th April 7-9pm

- Understand why it's so important that autistic young people are listened to and their needs/requested validated
- Build knowledge of neurodiversity in a neuro-affirmative way



Book your FREE ticket by clicking the  www.linktr.ee/askaboutautism



Ask
About
Autism



TLC Space

Motor Skills & Autism

Tuesday 25th April
10.30-12.30

The Maltings, Alton GU31 1DT
With a Qualified Occupational Therapist

No diagnosis needed - just a willingness to fill your toolbox

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Ask
About
Autism



Supporting Your Child's Self-Esteem

A free interactive workshop with tips and techniques for supporting self esteem and sense of self whilst celebrating our child's differences - no diagnosis needed - this will be delivered by a qualified professional from



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7pm
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FOR MORE INFO PLEASE EMAIL LUCY
AT
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Ethos, Values and Vision

Ethos – (characteristic spirit of a community):
“In Pursuit of **Personal** Excellence”

Values

- Readiness to learn
- Respect for self and others
- Individual responsibility
- Determination and Ambition
- Enjoyment through belonging

Vision – To develop Test Valley as a small, rural, high achieving school