

Parent Bulletin

Friday 29 April 2022

Week commencing Monday 2 May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for the numerous messages of support we have received from parents this week. It is lovely to know that so many of you have faith in us to support and guide your children.

Colleagues returned to school on Monday and worked closely with me and the newly structured Leadership Team. As before Easter, Mrs Botwright (Business Manager), Mrs Collins and Mrs Osborne (Assistant Headteachers) are leading on some key areas. Mr Langdown and Mrs Wheeler have joined the Leadership Team and have also taken on additional responsibilities. I am so proud of all of our members of staff who work tirelessly for your children.

Our pupils returned on Tuesday. I am grateful that you have supported us to ensure that the standard of uniform is excellent – pupils look so smart and this translates into a positive attitude towards learning. The evidence is clear – Class Charts shows that pupils achieve 7993 positive points and relatively few negative points. Overall pupils have achieved a 95% success rate. Year 11 have achieved an overall rate of 98%, which is outstanding. This shows how seriously they are taking their time at school and they really are leading by example.

Hope returned to school on Wednesday and is getting used to her new office. Lots of pupils have asked me if she has a new role as Deputy Headteacher!

Mrs Thomsett and Mr Whatley took 40 pupils to an Armed Forces Careers Event at Marchwood Barracks in Southampton on Wednesday. This was a fantastic event where pupils had a taste of life in each of the Armed Forces – I am even tempted to think of a change of career myself!

As a school we said farewell to Mrs Frost-Langley, who has moved on to take up a new opportunity. She has supported many pupils through her role as a Learning Support Assistant and as part of the Pastoral Support Team. We thank her for all she has done for the school – she will be greatly missed.

Forthcoming Dates:

Monday 2 May – Early May Bank Holiday, School closed
Thursday 5 and Friday 6 May – School Production, Moana
Thursday 12 May – PTA Event – The Masked Teacher
Monday 16 May – GCSE Exams commence

#WeAreTestValley

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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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.

Bank Holiday

Reminder that Monday 2 May is May Day Bank Holiday and the school will be closed. We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Tuesday 3 May.

KS4

Shoutouts to our top 5  points last week

Year 10

Kingsley Bishop
Ty Fenton
Henry Allsopp
Toby Hardy
Abigail Van Doorn

Year 11

Charlie Titchener
Lewi George
Tom Lane
Molly Lousley
Joshua Hayball
Angelique Jones

Prom 2022 – Year 11

The Prom Committee has been working hard pulling together arrangements for this year's Class of 2022 Prom which is being held on Friday 24 June from 6pm-10pm. Please refer to the recent letter for full details.

Tickets are priced at £16.50 to cover some of the costs of food and decorations. Payment and consent **MUST** be made via Scopay. Please ensure you tick the consent box.

We would like to say thank you to:

- The PTA for funding the photobooth, inflatable, candy cart and marquee hire.
- Mr Richardson for free photography.
- Mr Collins for running the disco for free.

English – Year 11

As we approach the last few weeks, our year 11s are continuing with revision tightly focused on the priority areas. Please see the schedule below for what is coming up:

Week commencing	Topic(s) Focus for learning or revision
25 April	Class: 3 X Macbeth, 1 X Language Paper 1, question 4 Evaluation After-school revision: Paper 2, Question 4 – Evaluation (Mrs Collins) Homework: Paper 2, Question 4 - Evaluation
2 May	Class: 3 X 19 th Century, 2 X Language Paper 1, Q2 & 3 – Analysis Qs After-school revision: Paper 1, Q2 & 3 – Analysis Qs (Dr. Velica) Homework: Paper 1, Q2 & 3 – Analysis Qs
9 May	Class: 2 X An Inspector Calls, 3 X Language Paper 1, Q4 & 5 After-school revision: Language Paper 1, Q4 (evaluation) & 5 (creative writing) (Mrs Collins) Homework: Language Paper 1, Q4 (evaluation) & 5 (creative writing)
16 May	Breakfast session, beginning at 8am, Wed 18 – Language Paper 1 Wed 18 – English Language Paper 1 Class: Language Paper 1, then Jekyll & Hyde/A Christmas Carol & An Inspector Calls After-school revision: <i>provisional lecture, Dr. Devon Campbell-Hall, Solent University, A Christmas Carol & Jekyll & Hyde TBC</i>
23 May	Breakfast session, beginning at 8am, Wed 18 – Lit. 19 th C & Modern Drama Wed 25 – English Literature – 19th Century & Modern Drama Class: 1 X Macbeth, 1 X Language Paper 2 After-school revision: <i>provisional lecture, Dr. Devon Campbell-Hall, Solent University, An Inspector Calls – Tuesday 24 TBC</i>
Half term revision	
6 June	Breakfast session, beginning at 8am, Wed 8 – Shakespeare & Poetry Wed 8 – English Literature – Shakespeare & Poetry After-school revision: <i>provisional lecture, Dr. Devon Campbell-Hall, Solent University, Macbeth – TBC</i>

	Breakfast session, beginning at 8am, Fri 10 – Language Paper 2 Fri 10 – English Language – Paper 2
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The other year groups are all beginning their study of the following topics:

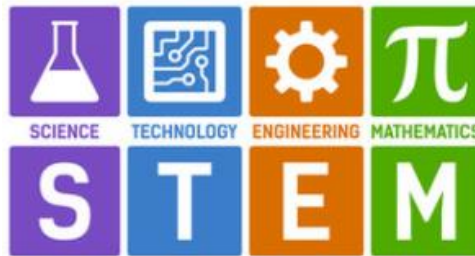
Year 10 – Completing Macbeth & beginning Paper 2 Language skills

Year 9 – Explorers! English Language Paper 2 introduction to GCSE#

Year 8 – Romantic poetry

Year 7 - Frankenstein (Philip Pullman’s play adaption)

STEM



STEM in the News



Lab-grown meat and insects “good for plant and health”

[Lab-grown meat and insects 'good for planet and health' - BBC News](#)

What do you think?

STEM Pupil of the week:

Alfie R Year 10

STEM Subject: Food Technology

Date: 26 April 2022

Hampshire Youth Access Counselling Online

We have been sent the below information regarding Hampshire Youth Access Counselling online:

<https://www.testvalley.hants.sch.uk/content/uploads/2022/04/Ruth-word-doc.pdf>

<https://www.testvalley.hants.sch.uk/content/uploads/2022/04/HYA-Online-Counselling-Poster-June-2021.pdf>

https://www.testvalley.hants.sch.uk/content/uploads/2022/04/HYA-YP-leaflet-Feb-18-11024_1.jpg

Photography Competition

PHOTO COMPETITION - ALL YEARS

The theme is "Nature".

All photos will be displayed in one of the boards in the reception area and there will be a prize for the winning photo.

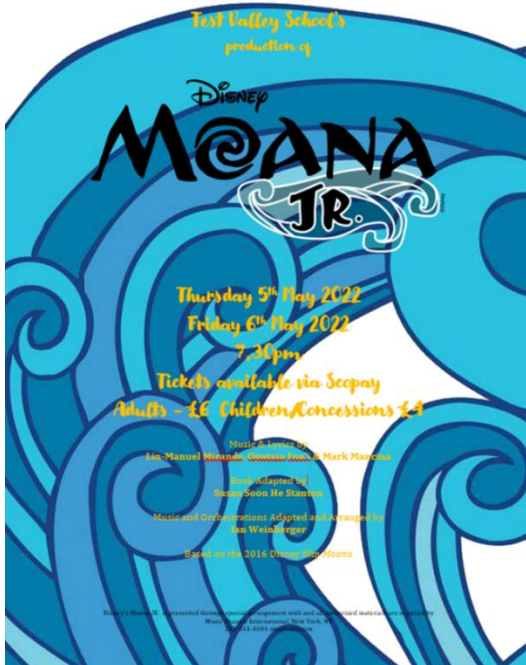
*The closing date is **20 May 2022** and all entries to be emailed to:*

whiteheadj@testvalley.hants.sch.uk

Below are some examples taken by staff:



School Production - Moana



We are really excited to be showing our next school production – Moana. It will be running on Thursday 5 May and Friday 6 May at 7.30pm in the school hall. Tickets are available to purchase through Scopay.

PTA

The Masked Teacher is coming to Test Valley on Thursday 12 May at 7pm!

Tickets are now available and include a ploughman's supper. A cash bar and tuck shop will also be available.

Family ticket £28
Adult £10
Child (5 to 16) £5

To order tickets, please email testvalleypta@gmail.com with your name and number/type of ticket. Then complete a BACS to:

Lloyds Bank
Sort Code: 30 - 90 - 21
Account Number: 0 1 2 9 5 8 0 4

Alternatively, send a cheque or cash into school clearly labelled "Test Valley School PTA "with your name and number/ ticket type."

If you would like to sponsor a costume, it's not too late, please email the PTA or get in touch through the school. £40 to sponsor a whole costume, less to sponsor an arm or a leg!

TEST VALLEY SCHOOL PTA PRESENT...

**THURSDAY
12TH MAY
7PM**

AT TEST VALLEY SCHOOL, STOCKBRIDGE

family ticket £28
adult £10
child (5-16) £5

**PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPER
INCLUDED**

**CASH BAR AND
TUCK SHOP**

WHO'S BEHIND THE MASK???



School Library

Step into spring with a new book!

We have received a large selection of new books from Hampshire School Library Service, with something for everyone!

All KS3 pupils should have a reading book on them, as a part of their essential equipment every day, so please do encourage your child(ren) to visit the library if they do not have a book.