



VANE ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

16th March to 20th March 2026

Our week started with a very exciting visit from Alan Strickland, MP for our local area who delivered a whole school assembly about democracy. Children had the opportunity to ask questions by standing up if they had a question they would like to ask as they do in Parliament.

Alan then worked with our Young Leaders on issues in our local community that they felt were important to discuss. They asked Alan to investigate the anti-social behaviour in our local area as well as parking and littering issues.

Our Young Leaders were fantastic!



Miss Stephenson was out with our tag rugby team on Tuesday, and our dodgeball team were in action at the finals on Thursday. Both teams showed fantastic sportsmanship with the tag rugby team finishing in a fantastic first place and our dodgeball team finishing in a well-deserved second place and securing a place in the County Finals.

We were also very lucky to have Jaci Stroud visit us on Tuesday afternoon. Children then tried to sketch bees, elephants and giraffes from the story. Thank you to those parents/carers who came after school to purchase her book.



Teacher's Awards

Our next KS1 assembly will be held on 27.3.26 and will be for parents of children receiving awards in YR, Y1 and Y2.

The following children have been nominated to receive an award at our next merit assembly. Assembly time is **9:15am** (doors open at **9.10am**), Parents/Carers are invited to come along.

Below are the names of children who will be receiving an award.

C1	Jaxx C, Alex S	C2	Saoirse A, Harrison S-A, Albie R
C3	Hunter B, Mila C	C4	Alyssa E, Emily B
C5	Eli T, Aaliyah W, Ava S	C6	Arthur S, TJ R
C7	Next week's Round Up	C8	Next week's Round Up
C9	Next week's Round Up	C10	Next week's Round Up
C11	Next week's Round Up	C12	Next week's Round Up
C13	Next week's Round Up	C14	Next week's Round Up

Weekly Attendance

This week's attendance		Our Minimum Target is 96%
Class	% Attendance	
1	92.7	Well done to Class 4,5,6, 7,8 & 12 who have achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to Class 5 for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.
2	86.6	
3	95.2	
4	96.1	
5	97.3	
6	96.7	
7	96.0	
8	96.3	
9	95.5	
10	94.8	
11	90.0	
12	96.7	
13	95.3	
14	84.0	

Whole School Weekly Attendance = 93.8%

This is down on last week's figure and no longer on target for the 96% expected.

If you have any issues regarding Attendance, please contact Mr. Grady as soon as possible.

Dates for Your Diary

24 Mar	Y5 visit to UTC (small group)
24 Mar	Y1 Parent Workshop
25 Mar	C10 Y4 Trip to Tees Barrage
25 Mar	Nursery Open Evening – 5pm
31 Mar	Y4 Parent Sewing Workshop
1 Apr	C9 Y4 Trip to Tees Barrage
1 Apr	Nursery – Olympic Game Themed Carousel with Parents - 1.30 – 2.30pm
2 Apr	Break up for Easter Holidays
22 Apr	Moor House Meeting – 3.30pm or 4.15pm
27 Apr	Whole School Parents' Evening
4 May	May Day Holiday
7-8 May	Year 4 Residential Trip to Moor House
8 May	Y5 Mini Police in school
11-14 May	Year 6 SATs Week
22 May	Y5 Mini Police in school
22 May	Break up for Half-Term
1 Jun	PD Day – No children in school
8-10 June	Year 6 Residential Trip to Carlton Activity Centre

NURSERY LOOK-AROUND

We are holding another nursery open evening for prospective parents to come and have a look round on the following dates.

- Wednesday 25th March at 5pm

We look forward to seeing you then.

Mrs Poulter & The Nursery Team



WHO CAN I SPEAK TO?

We know it can be tricky to know who to talk to.
Here is a quick guide to help.

Office Staff Mrs Whalen and Mrs Dick

- Reporting absence or lateness.
- Educational visits, letters.
- School communication.
- Payments
- Breakfast/After School Club
- School meals



When?
Visit the office or contact school via phone or email.

Class Teacher

- Learning
- Progress
- Attainment
- Classroom behaviour
- General wellbeing



When?
Quick messages can be shared at drop off or collection times. Alternatively, please arrange a meeting.

SENDCO Mrs Elliot

(Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator)

- Special educational needs concerns
- Learning support
- SEND support plans
- Support working with outside agencies
- Referrals
- EHCP
- SEND assessments



When?
Contact the school office or ask your child's class teacher or arrange a meeting.

Pastoral Mr Grady

- Mental health and emotional wellbeing support
- Help with friendship and social skills
- Behaviour support
- Advice from outside agencies
- Family support
- Attendance and punctuality



When?
Contact the school office to arrange a meeting.

Deputy Head / Head of School Miss Wren /Mrs Howe

- Questions about school policies
- Share feedback or suggestions
- If an issue has not been resolved by other members of school staff.



When?
Please request an appointment with us through the school office.