



# VANE ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY ROUND-UP

11<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

A huge well done to our Year 6 children this week. You have all worked so hard and showed great resilience each day this week. Never giving up and trying your best.

We are so very proud of you all!



Your teachers are busy organising a well-deserved treat for you all.

A reminder that we are holding our new starter meeting for parents/carers whose children will be joining us in September 2026 next Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm. This is for parents/carers only and children cannot attend.

We have had some concerns reported by our neighbours regarding parents/carers parking over their driveways preventing them from leaving their homes. Please be mindful of parking when dropping and collecting child/ren.

A reminder that we break up from school next Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May and return to school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026.

Have a lovely weekend!

### Teacher's Awards

**Our next KS2 assembly will be held on 22.5.26 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 on 15.5.26. 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	Jaxon D, Ariya W	C2	Harlow D, Martha H
C3	On School Trip	C4	On School Trip
C5	Penny H, Leo N	C6	Arlo A, Lily T
C7	Next Week Round Up	C8	Next Week Round Up
C9	Next Week Round Up	C10	Next Week Round Up
C11	Next Week Round Up	C12	Next Week Round Up
C13	Next Week Round Up	C14	Next Week Round Up

**\*\*REMINDER \*\*** CENSUS DAY LUNCH - THURSDAY 21ST MAY 2026

**ONLY FOR CHILDREN CURRENTLY ON PACKED LUNCHES. IF YOUR CHILD IS ALREADY ON HOT LUNCHES PLEASE DO NOT REPLY.**

We are inviting our children on packed lunches to join us on Thursday 21st May 2026 for our Census Day lunch. If your child wishes to have this, please complete this form and return it to school NO LATER than Monday lunch-time 18th May. Please note if your KS2 child is currently on packed lunch and you need to pay for this lunch on Arbor, it will not show until the afternoon of 21st May, however you may top-up in advance on Arbor if you wish to. We cannot accept any cash.

Please use the link below to complete the form to request a lunch. Thank you.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/vG0ZYhDVG2>

### Weekly Attendance

This week's attendance		<b>Our Minimum Target is 96%</b>
Class	% Attendance	
1	96.1	Well done to Class 1, 7 & 14 who have achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to <b>Class 14</b> for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.
2	94.1	
3	94.8	
4	95.6	
5	95.3	
6	95.2	
7	96.0	
8	94.3	
9	88.3	
10	88.7	
11	94.0	
12	92.0	
13	94.3	
14	97.3	

**Whole School Weekly Attendance = 94.0%**

**This is down on last week's figure but still 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

21 May	Carlton Meeting for Y6 Parents - 3.30pm
22 May	Y5 Mini Police in school
22 May	Y1 Trip to Hamsterley Forest
22 May	Break up for Half-Term
1 Jun	PD Day – No children in school
2 June	Return to school after Half-Term
8-10 June	Y6 Residential Trip - Carlton Activity Centre
17 June	Uniform Day in School – 2.30pm to 5.30pm
23 June	Trust Athletic Event
25-29 June	Scholastic Book Fair
29 June	EYFS (Reception) Sports Day 1.30pm
30 June	KS1 Sports Day (Y1/Y2) 1.30pm
1 July	Y6 Transition Day to Woodham Academy
1 July	Whole School Transition Day to new classes
3 July	KS2 Sports Day – Y3/Y4 morning Y5/Y6 afternoon
6 July	YR Teddy Bears Picnic – Parents invited
6 July	GD Maths Challenge
8 July	Summer Fayre – 1pm
14 July	Y6 Leavers' Performance – 10am
15 July	Y6 Leavers' Disco – 5pm – 6pm

### CENTRAL AVENUE – CROSSING PATROLS – PLEASE HELP/REMIND YOUR CHILD TO CROSS SAFELY

Some of you may have noticed that we still have no school patrol crossing at Central Avenue. We have reported our concerns to Durham County Council on numerous occasions and they have shared that due to long-term absence there is no crossing currently in place.

**Also there will be no school crossing patrol cover at Central Avenue, outside St Mary's RCVA Primary on 18/05/2026 returning on 01/06/2026.**

They have asked that we share the advertised vacancy –

[https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School\\_Crossing\\_Patrol/290177](https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School_Crossing_Patrol/290177)

### IMPORTANT!!

#### PUPIL INFORMATION/CONTACT FORMS

Could we please remind you to return your completed forms to the school office as soon as possible. We have still a lot of forms that have not been updated. This is needed for our next census in the summer. You can request a new form from the office or by email if you need one. Thank you for your co-operation.



# 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.