

Parent Newsletter

Thursday 13 July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

We're hurtling towards the end of term and very much looking forward to a break to recharge, but before we do there's still lots to look forward to!

We've had a settled week in lessons, students have remained focused on their learning, we've been really impressed with their positive attitudes. At social times students have shown real community spirit, supporting each other in the Sports Day events and during our impromptu 'open mic' concert on Wednesday during wet break.

We look forward to the week ahead with excitement. On Monday we will be holding our end of term Celebration Assemblies to recognise the efforts and achievements of many students. Events that had to be cancelled this afternoon due to the rain will be re-run on Monday. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday are activities days, there's a host of exciting events planned, I hope everyone enjoys them. Our Italy residential trip departs at 3am this Sunday morning, we hope everyone has a brilliant time and makes memories that will last a lifetime (thanks to the parents dropping off at 3am!). Friday is the last day of term; we will be finishing at 12:30pm. But before we do, our annual 'Stock Fest' event will take place in the morning, we're all very much looking forward to this.

Arrangements for the start of next term:

September 1st - Inset day for staff

September 4th - Year 7 & 11 only

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 students and helping them to settle in on this day.

Year 11 will have a 'Reset Day' to focus in on the plans for their last year of formal education.

September 5th - We welcome back all year groups.

All students must be in full uniform, please see our uniform policy if you're in doubt.

[Test Valley School - School Uniform](#)

We have received a large amount of donated uniform from parents, if you would like to make use of this, please do get in contact with the main school office.

I would like to thank our PTA for a very productive meeting last Friday. With the PTA's support we will be able to brighten up areas of the school before the students return in September.

Have a lovely weekend when it comes

Warm wishes

Nicky Goodridge

Forthcoming Dates:

18, 19, 20 July – Celebration Trips
Friday 21 July - STOCKFEST
21 July – End of Term, School closes at 12.30pm

More about all the activities occurring in and out of lessons at Test Valley School can be found on our Facebook page: Test Valley School, Twitter Feed: @testvalleysch and Instagram Account: testvalleyofficial. 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.

School Lockers

Please ensure that your locker is empty at the end of term – the school and ILS Lockers are not responsible for damage or loss of any items left inside during the summer break. After the end of term, items found will either be donated or disposed of.

Bus Renewal Invitation

Please can all current Test Valley bus users complete the bus application form for 2023-2024 by Friday 21st July 2023. The link can be found under the 'Bus Routes to School' section on the Test Valley School website. If your child has not previously required a bus on the TVS Blue or Red routes and you would like to apply please contact finance@testvalley.hants.sch.uk.

[Test Valley School - Bus Routes to School](#)

Medical Preparations for Academic Year 2023 – 2024

In September will all parents please ensure that the medical room is given a spare inhaler for those pupils suffering from Asthma and a spare Adrenaline Auto Injector (AAI) (e.g. Epi Pen) for those pupils suffering from allergies. This is in addition to the inhaler or AAI that the pupil **should** be carrying with them.

There are separate forms to be completed for pupils with Asthma or who use an AAI. Both forms can be found on our website (link below) and should be handed in to Pupil Services for the Pupil Welfare officer.

[Test Valley School - Medical](#)

KS3 and KS4

Shoutouts to our top  points earners w/c 3 July

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Michelle A	Flora R	Megan R	Mollie S
Megan M	Zoe B	Elliot W	Hamish W
Kathryn V	Matilda L	Cain F	Kimberley T
Liqi L	Julita C	Evie L	Eleanor V
Mia H	Grace M	Rosie W	Asha P
	Mia S		Alice M
			Keysha M

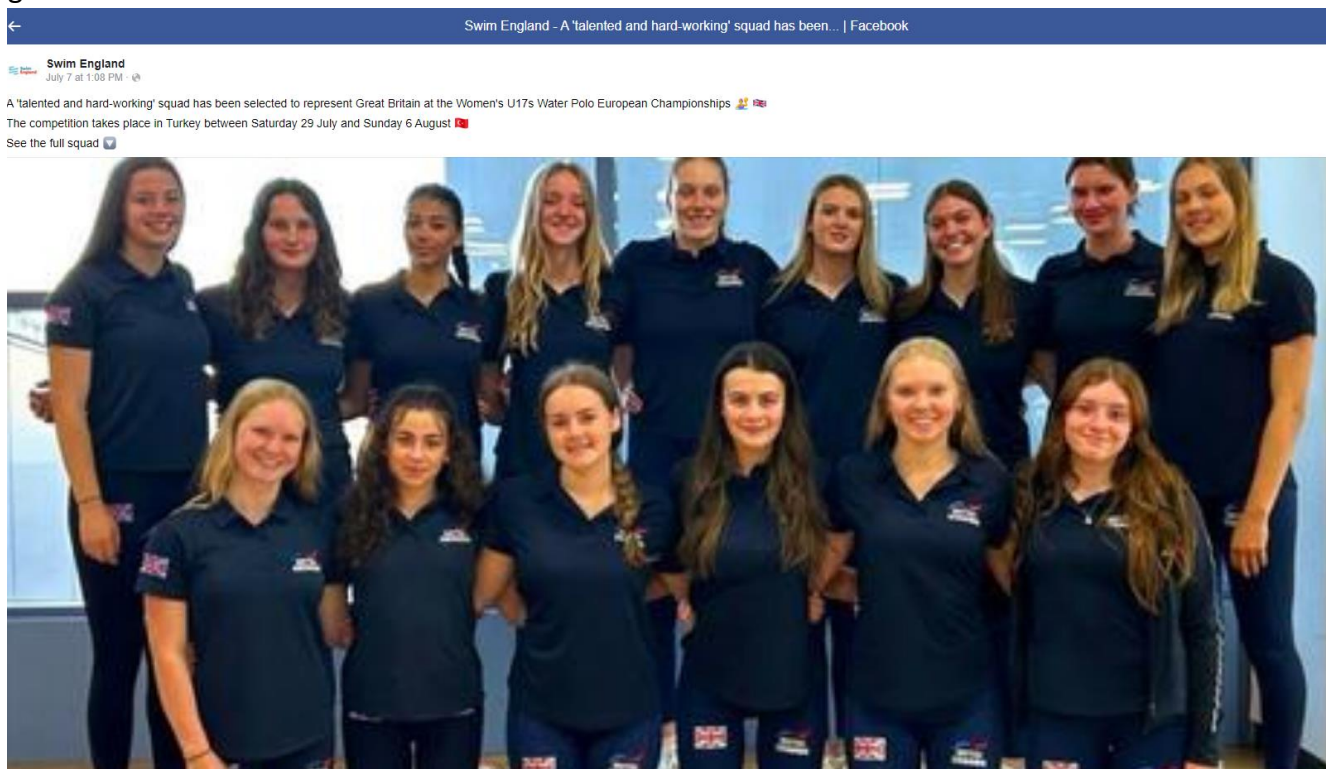
Celebrations



Congratulations to Elle who attended a martial arts competition in Essex and won two golds in the junior and senior U63kgs. Amazing achievement

Well done and good luck to Lily in year 11 we look forward to hearing how you get on in due course.
Press release from Swim England:

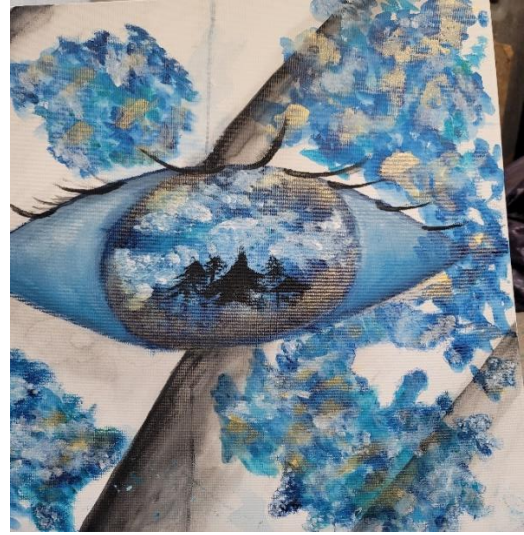
A “talented and hardworking” squad has been selected to represent Great Britain at the Women’s U17s Water Polo Championships. The competition takes place in Turkey between Saturday 29 July and Sunday 6 August.



Art

A small selection of some of our year 10 GCSE mock work:





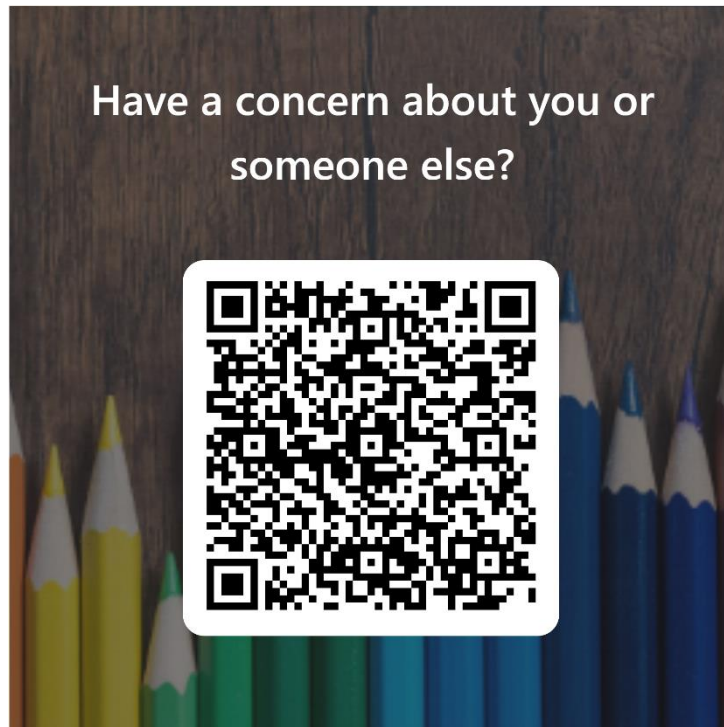
Year 10 Andover College Taster Day

Our Year 10 college taster day trip to Andover college last week was very helpful to the year group. The College also has some great new facilities being developed including mock hospital wards.





Pupil Anonymous Reporting Function



SETA Engineering Apprenticeships

[Test Valley School – SETA Engineering Apprenticeships](#)

Careers in Construction Survey

Wates have attended some of the career events our pupils have been to recently. To enable them to understand how to engage more effectively, they would be grateful if parents/carers could complete a short survey.

Wates Construction – Inspire & Educate Survey –
<https://forms.office.com/e/J7EV3Mv6Xz>



Health and Wellbeing

[top-ten-tips-for-parents.pdf \(youngminds.org.uk\)](#)

Please see our website for more useful information: [Test Valley School - Wellbeing](#)

College Open Events

Salisbury 6th Form College: [Test Valley School - Salisbury 6th Form College](#)

Sparsholt College Open event: [Test Valley School - Sparsholt College](#)

Peter Symonds Open Event: [Test Valley School - Peter Symonds College](#)

Andover College Open Event: [Test Valley School - Andover College](#)

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](#)

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

At Test Valley we are committed to building an engaging inclusive environment where success and excellence is experienced by all. We will achieve this by ensuring:

Kindness

We always show care, respect and consideration for each other. Test Valley is a warm, welcoming and safe place for all.

Excellence

We are relentlessly determined to strive for the best in all we do; developing excellent learning habits which help us to grow.

Resilience

We show courage by not giving in, challenging ourselves, stepping out of our comfort zones and not fearing failure.

Empowerment

We help pupils to evolve into happy, independent, knowledge rich citizens who have the skills to make a real difference in our ever changing world.

Test Valley SCHOOL
"In Pursuit of Personal Excellence"

In pursuit of personal excellence you must dream big, work hard and make it happen.