

Parent Newsletter

Thursday 20 July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

What an end to the year we've had, so much fun, laughter and memories made. The students have been incredible in the activities they've taken part in and I would like to thank the staff for all their hard work organising them.

Tomorrow is the annual 'Stock Fest' event, I'm told this a fantastic community event, I can't think of a better way to mark the end of term together as #TeamTV. Students may come in non-uniform (no crop tops or crop shorts allowed). If they wish to buy BBQ food and drinks they will need cash (cards not accepted). Children who receive free school meals will have lunch supplied. In addition, there will be stalls to buy things from or activities to take part in. School finishes at 12:30pm, buses have been notified of the early finish.

Sadly we are saying goodbye to a number of people tomorrow:

- Mr Whatley leaves the Maths department
- Mrs Adams leaves the Technology Department
- Miss Wojtas leaves the Art Department
- Miss Bullon leaves the MFL Department
- Mrs James our Student Welfare Officer is retiring.

We wish them well with their new ventures and thank them for their hard work at Test Valley.

We have been fortunate enough to have recruited to a wide range of roles, we are very much looking forward to welcoming the following in September:

- Mrs Cleaver-Bailey – Key Stage 3 Progress Leader (Head of Year 8&9)
- Mrs Sandiford – Director of Behaviour and Well-being
- Mr Atkins – Head of Technology
- Mr Johnson – Art Teacher
- Mr Wareham – MFL Teacher
- Mrs West – RE and English Teacher
- Mrs Nichols- Pastoral Support Officer
- Mrs White moves to become Director of STEM
- Mrs Martin moves to become Director of Humanities
- Mrs Dunn moves to become Head of English
- Mrs Brush moves to become Head of Creative Arts
- Mrs Luckham moves to be Maths KS3 Lead
- Miss McArthur moves to be Science KS3 Lead
- Mrs Wray moves to Pastoral Support Officer

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you as parents for your support, educating our young people is a real team effort and I've really appreciated your emails, phone calls and meetings over the last term. I can honestly say I feel so privileged to be in this position, your children are all brilliant in their own way and I've

really enjoyed getting to know them over the last term. The Senior Team and I are even more determined than ever to drive the school forward, but we do need a bit of a break over the next few weeks! I hope you all have a lovely summer, and we look forward to welcoming your children back in September.

Warm wishes
Nicky Goodridge

Forthcoming Dates:

Friday 1 September – INSET Day
Monday 4 September – Yrs 7 & 11 return to school
Tuesday 5 September – All year groups return to school

INSET DAYS 2023-2024

Friday 1 September 2023
Friday 22 September 2023
Monday 4 December 2023
Friday 2 February 2024
Monday 22 July 2024
Tuesday 23 July 2024

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!

Jo McKeown
Executive Headteacher
j.mckeown@hispmat.org

Nicky Goodridge
Head of School
goodridgen@testvalley.hants.sch.

Cara Rees
School Business Manager
reesc@testvalley.hants.sch.uk

Andrew Page
Deputy Headteacher
pagea@testvalley.hants.sch.

Anna Collins
Deputy Headteacher
collinsa@testvalley.hants.sch.u

Emma Andrews
SENDSCO & Assistant Headteacher
andrewse@testvalley.hants.sch.uk

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.

Chess

For our budding chess players in school we will have a large number of chess sets for you to use at break and lunch in September. Our new delivery arrives tomorrow.

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.

School Immunisations

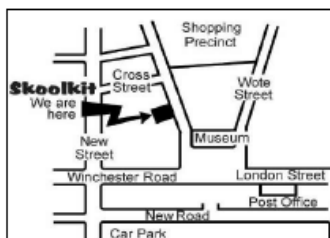
In the Autumn term 2023 the School Age Immunisation team will be giving all Years, from 7 to 11 inclusive, the nasal flu immunisation. Details of the date and online consent will follow in the Autumn term.

Skoolkit – School Uniform

Below is a copy of Skoolkit's 2023 price list with a free online delivery code for your parents to use from Saturday 22nd July – Saturday 29th July.

Dear Parent/Carer,

You can find your child's full school uniform all year round in our **Basingstoke store on Church Street**. We advise you purchase early in the summer holidays as we get very busy. (Please refer to our website www.skoolkit.co.uk for store opening times.)



ONLINE ORDERS need to be placed by:

WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST

For delivery before the start of the 2023/24 school year

Please note that orders placed online throughout July, August & September can take up to 14 working days.

Postage charges apply, please refer to our website for costs.

Free delivery will be available with any size order placed online by using the following code when viewing your basket online.

Saturday 22nd July – Saturday 29th July

Code: SUMMER2023

PLEASE VISIT US AT:
WWW.SKOOKIT.CO.UK

Test Valley School



2023 Price List

Day Wear

Bottle Standard Woven Tie		
£7.75		
Navy Eco Blazer with Silver Trim Embroidered with Logo	Grey Knitted Sweater with Bottle Trim Embroidered with Logo	
28" - 30" £39.99	30" £19.99	
32" - 36" £40.99	32" £22.00	
38" - 48" £48.99	34" - 38" £24.00	
	40" - 46" £29.99	
Plain White Eco Unisex Shirts Twin Pack From £15.00	Grey Girls Trousers From £22.99	Grey Boys ST2 Trousers From £17.99
Green Tartan Davenport Skirt From £24.99		
Iron on Name Tapes		
x36 £4.99	x72 £5.99	

PE Wear

Navy/White JC003 T-Shirt Embroidered with logo	Navy/White JC003 T-Shirt Embroidered with logo & Printed with Surname on the Back for an additional £1.75 ONLY AVAILABLE TO ORDER ONLINE	Navy/White R150 Rugby Shirt
Age 9/11 - 12/13 £9.25		30/32" £19.99
S - L £10.55		32/34" & 34/36" £20.50
		38/40" - 46/48" £21.99
		NAME ON REVERSE ONLINE ORDER ONLY
Navy P235 Shorts	Navy Football/Rugby Socks	
22/24" - 28/30" £5.25	Junior £4.99	
30/32" - 38/40" £6.25	Senior £5.50	

Prices are correct at the time of printing

Opening Hours
Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 5:30 pm
Sat 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

15 Church Street,
Basingstoke, RG21 7QG
basingstoke@skoolkit.co.uk

Skoolkit

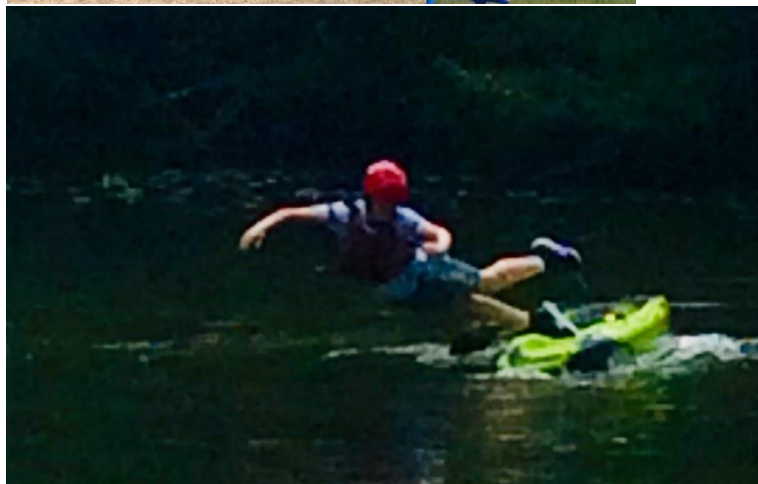
Pupil Librarian

It is wonderful to see that pupils are using the Library at break times. To further promote a reading culture in the school, Mrs Kent, our Librarian, would like to invite pupils to apply to become pupil Librarians. They will be responsible for the checking in and out of books during social times and for helping to keep the Library UpToDate and enticing to pupils. If pupils are interested in this exciting opportunity, they should write a letter of application. This should be addressed to Mrs Kent and outline why the pupil would like to do this role and what skills they have that make them suitable. This role is open to **Years 8 and above**. The

closing date for this is **Thursday 14th September**. For any students who have been a Pupil Librarian this year, please can they return their badges to Mrs Kent in the library.

Activities Week

SWAC & Woodmill



Rome





Farm to Fork



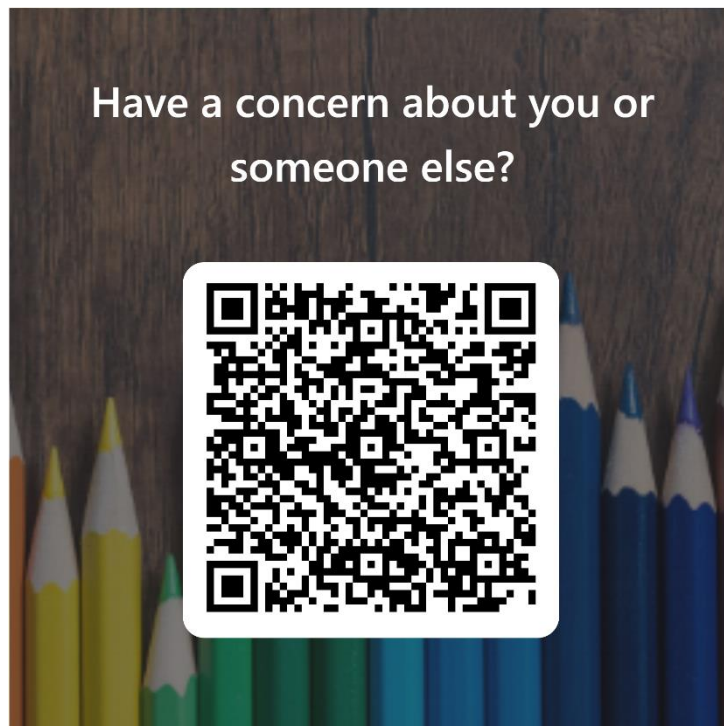
Land and Water



Sports Group



Pupil Anonymous Reporting Function



SETA Engineering Apprenticeships

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

Health and Wellbeing

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](#)

FOUR FUN FRIDAYS

INSTALLATIONS, PERFORMANCES AND WORKSHOPS
FREE EVENTS IN AUGUST
11 AM - 3 PM, ANDOVER HIGH STREET

4 PRETTY BUZZ WITH SURE BEE ★★★ TOUR WORKSHOP CARTOON STAMPING ★	11 THE WHERWELL COCKATRICE DECK OF ★ AFRICAN CARDS ★ ACTIVITY SESSIONS
18 ★ WELL RED ★ COMEDY THE WAGON ★ OF DREAMS ★	25 BOAT BUILDING PLANETARIUM THE SMEDS ★ AND THE SMOOS ★

CELEBRATING CREATIVITY OUTDOORS IN ANDOVER

Test Valley Borough Council **AV** Andover Vision CHANTRY CENTRE ANDOVER

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/FOURFUNFRIDAYS
01264 368368

Hampshire County Youth Choirs invite you to join their "Sing Alongside" rehearsal



ENJOY PERFORMING?

LOVE SINGING?



Supported using public funding by
Department for Education
ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

Friday 15 September 2023, 5.30pm - 8.30pm
The United Church, Jewry St, Winchester

- 5.30pm - Yr 7 to Yr 13
- 6.00pm - Yr 2 to Yr 6 Juniors
- 7.30pm - Show to parents for all participants
- Register your interest to reserve your space



MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Click here to register your interest



Hampshire County Council

www.hcyc.hmsensembles.org.uk

Hampshire County Youth Choirs invite you to join their "Sing Alongside" rehearsal



ENJOY PERFORMING?

LOVE SINGING?



Supported using public funding by
Department for Education
ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

Friday 15 September 2023, 5.30pm - 8.30pm
The United Church, Jewry St, Winchester

- 5.30pm - Yr 7 to Yr 13
- 6.00pm - Yr 2 to Yr 6 Juniors
- 7.30pm - Show to parents for all participants
- Register your interest to reserve your space



MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Scan the QR code to register your interest



Hampshire County Council

www.hcyc.hmsensembles.org.uk

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.



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