

Week beginning 29.10.2018

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## The Vale Academy Reception Newsletter

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - Reception Firework Celebration

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - Diwali Celebrations

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - Children in Need

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 - Christmas Fair

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018 - Christmas Dinner

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018 - Special Christmas Stay and Play 10-11am and 2-3pm

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 - Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018 - Panto and Party

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 - Last day of Term 12.30 pm finish

### Reception News

The children had a great time when the Planetarium came to visit. They learnt all about, space, stars and the planets. They had lots of fun making space pictures and models and they all looked fantastic dressed up in their costumes on the Friday of space week. Dino day was a fantastic day for the children. They learnt about different dinosaurs and how they became extinct. The children especially liked the cheeky dinosaur that moved and made a noise whenever Dinoman was looking away. In maths we have been looking at 2D shape. We have been learning about the properties of different shapes and over the next two weeks we will be comparing them to 3D shapes.

### Stay and Play

We would like to say a massive thank you to all our parents who came to join us for our first stay and play sessions last Friday. We had a fantastic turnout and the children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their experiences with you. We hope you enjoyed gaining an insight into some of the things your child does whilst they are at school. On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018, we will be holding our special Christmas stay and play sessions. The sessions will be from 10 - 11 am and 2 - 3 pm. You will be able to enjoy some Christmas craft activities with your children and then the children will gather together to sing some Christmas songs they have learnt to you whilst you enjoy a mince pie. Children are welcome to dress in a Christmas Jumper or outfit on this day.



### Some Useful Websites

Listed below are some websites you might like to visit to support your child in their learning at home:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ParentsMenu.htm>

<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-2games.html>

### Children in Need

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November, we will be supporting Children in Need. Children are invited to wear something spotty for a donation of £1. There will also be a cake sale. Children will be able to bring in 30p to purchase a biscuit during the day. In addition children can enter a colouring competition for a donation of 50p.