





School does have its rewards!







Congratulations to these students who were entered into a draw and won SUFC tickets for making progress in sport studies and attending school every day.

Attending school every day, zero consequences, good progress in their studies and 10 or more 'Recognition Points' (R1s), gives students the opportunity to be entered into competitions and raffle draws for amazing prizes.

Fir Vale 5 Opportunity

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Recognising our school's values

Some of our Y7 students have completed set tasks and achieved a value as part of their Fir Vale 5, which are linked to our School Values. They were congratulated in a special assembly and presented with a certificate and badge. Well done! 'Word of the Week' Crossword competition saw record numbers of entries from all year groups.

All the words in the crossword were from

our 'Word of the Week' since September. For this term's competition, make sure you keep an eye out for each new word each week.



This term's winners of Amazon vouchers are: Khalid Y10, Fatmha Y8 and Calvin Y7.

Headteacher's Update

There are so many rewards and benefits to being at Fir Vale School and so many opportunities.

Well done to all students who have been pro-active and determined in taking advantage of all that is on offer.

Why not step outside your comfort zone and try something new next term?

Rachel Smith, Headteacher



Better Learners, Better Workers!



Y9 students had the opportunity to work with BAM Construction Company.

This was in preparation for a visit to their construction site in the Sheffield City centre next month. More news to follow!



*Togetherness *Kindness * Respect * Achievement * Determination * Opportunity

Spotlight on Performing Arts!

Winter Showcase!

Our performers entertained us with their singing, dancing and acting in the Winter Showcase.

We have extremely talented students here at Fir Vale School. Sara (pictured) blew us away with her singing talent!



To be involved in the next showcase event students should speak to Mrs Swift. Alternatively, they could ioin

an after school dance, drama or the choir to prepare.

Panto Time!



We took the Arts Award students to see Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime at the Lyceum Theatre in Sheffield.

The production was awesome and the students thoroughly enjoyed the show! These students' portfolios will now be sent for examination to secure their qualification.





A new 'Song Writing' class with music teacher Mr Cullumbine.



ano for Beginners' with Miss Koch our new Leader of Music.

Dame Kelly Holmes Project...

Fir Vale students were invited to this year's Dame Kelly Holmes Project, which has been running for several years.

The students had the opportunity to meet retired athletes, who now spend their time mentoring and guiding young people to achieve their goals.

Keeping pupils on the right track!

By participating in team building activities it helps to build up their confidence and communication skills, needed to be successful in both their careers and life.

They will now spend 8 sessions across the year working with Paul Broadbent, former English Rugby Player.



Students are speaking your language!





Students from all year groups applied for a Language Leader post and the successful applicants were awarded their badge in

an assembly with external visitor Rosa Cisneros. The Language Leaders

will be supporting staff

Cooking up a Storm!

and students in our

school community.

Students are enjoying cooking with our new Hospitality & Catering teacher Mrs Buckthorpe.



Staying Focussed!

Well done to all our students who came in yesterday for the Year 11 Focus Day. Lots of revision resources and revision timetables were created.

A great start to your GCSE preparation!



Reward Trip 2023!

Alton Towers Attendance Reward trip.

Hundreds of Y7-Y10 students earned the trip this year.

Please note the criteria is strict to gain a free trip,

even an authorised absence is an absence, which is why we have not just restricted the trip to those



with 100% attendance.

Attendance, good behaviour and good punctuality all go towards earning a place!



Monday 20 February 2023 First Day of Term

Thursday 2 March 2023 Y7 & Y10 Parents' Evening

Thursday 9 March 2023 Y9 Options Evening (3:30pm - 5:00pm)

> Thursday 16 March 2023 Y8 Parents' Evening