



**Ivan, Peter, Vlad and Leo,  
keeping the community clean.  
Well done lads!**



**Emilia and Jesika with the medals  
they won for independent working.  
Well done girls!**

## Beyblade Battles!



## Doctor Who?



Dr Sloan, Community Paediatrician is running surgeries for some of our students and their parents in Fir Vale School.

**100%**

**Fir Vale School**



Fir Vale students achieved 100% attendance, which gives them the opportunity to reach their full potential. Well done!

## Fair Trade!



**Fir Vale Students attended an assembly about the importance of Fair Trade in the cocoa bean industry.** The key message was to look for the Fair Trade logo which ensures farmers get the money they deserve.

## Out and About!

We have been out busy delivering welcome boxes for all the Y6 pupils, who will be joining us in September.



**Y6 Hucklow pupils are delighted to receive their gifts.**



**Fir Vale DofE students raised funds doing a sponsored walk, and with a special donation from Mr Ali were able to purchase 8 female fitting backpacks. Thank you!**



**Fir Vale DofE students enjoyed a trip to Castleton.  
It was a brilliant day!**

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



# News

## Opportunity



### It was an honour!

A great night was had by all! The Junior Leadership Team and Mrs Smith, Headteacher, welcomed Lord Blunkett back to Fir Vale School to unveil the new 'Honours Board' that celebrates all past and present Head boys and girls.

It was lovely to see members of our community, education partners, ex-students and staff chat to current students to inspire and motivate them for the future.

Huge thanks to Lord Blunkett for giving up his time to inspire our young people and to iLet4You who kindly sponsored the leadership board.



### Headteacher's Update

It's fantastic to see the hard work of our students and staff recognised.

Usma Saeed our Chair of Governors (read full article inside!), is a worthy winner of 'Woman of Sheffield'. We were privileged to see her accept this trophy.

I'm also delighted to wish Ms Hall luck in the prestigious Pearson National 'Teacher of the Year' award and encourage all students to 'thank a teacher' this week!

Our 'Link' provision has also been nominated for an award for being a safe and happy environment where students can go for support in their lives. We wish them luck.

We also wish Mrs Shiels, our Business Manager, the best of luck at the TES Schools Awards 2022 in London.

*Rachel Smith,  
Headteacher*



Special thanks to Marc at Egg On Legs for a fabulous view of the Peak District in our assembly hall.  
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# Building For The Future!

Fir Vale students got a fabulous insight into the world of work and construction at the S1 Barkers Pool site. Building ambitions and the future. 100% quality experience for all!



## In Good Company!



**Sarah Ward presented an award and cheque for £250 to Ms Cassy for 'The Company of Cutlers Teacher Award'.** This is in recognition of the hard work and dedication that Ms Cassy has given to her students and also the support she gives to the 'Cutlers' Better Learners, Better Workers' Programme. The Company of Cutlers are proud to work with Fir Vale School and thank both Ms Cassy and the School for their ongoing support.



## The Big Maths Quiz!

Oasis Fir Vale Y5 students were up for a challenge at Fir Vale School. Taking part in the Big Maths Quiz with Mr Darazkan.

## Engaging!



## The National Youth Ballet and Sheffield Youth Orchestra visited Fir Vale School.

Our students engaged in an exciting workshop exploring expressive dance with bespoke orchestral music to match the given themes.

All the music was played live on orchestral instruments as our students created, rehearsed and performed.

There were fun activities throughout the event and it was amazing to see all the students involved working together, creating their very own unique dances alongside industry professionals. Well done!

## It's All Adding Up In Maths!



### What an inspirational day at Sheffield Hallam University for our Y9 students as part of their maths studies:

The inspirational visit included a guest speaker, Dr Aoife Hunt, a mathematical modelling session, decoding messages and the opportunity to play strategy games.

The whole visit gave Fir Vale students an insight into life at university and the career paths they might choose to follow.

## Incredible...

**We had incredible results for the Junior Maths Challenge...**

In fact, 'incredible' may be an understatement!

**With 6 silvers and 17 Bronzes which are both records.**

That is one in ten of our Y7 and Y8 entries achieving a certificate.

Well done!



Sara first ever Roma female certification.



## Rewards and Recognitions



Fir Vale students have once again broken their recognition records with more R1 and R2 nominations than ever! Here are some of our award winners with their certificates, badges and prizes. Well done everyone!





## Oracy Week!

**During Oracy Week, students were given tasks to enhance their oracy.**

Ms Burnside's class focussed on poetry and encouraged the students to give their account of other students' opinions. Students enjoyed standing out whilst wearing the speaking hat.

Ms Hall's class was doing tongue twisters. The students were really engaged and had so much fun!



## Country & Culture Dress Day



**Fir Vale School proudly celebrated all their communities' flags, dress, culture and customs.**

With over £400 raised for causes chosen by Pupil Parliament, including extending our flag wall, we couldn't be prouder of our students, who planned and organised the whole event.

Thank you to families who helped make food too!



## Inspirational Women of Sheffield Awards 2022



**Congratulations to Usma Saeed, Fir Vale School Chair of Governors and winner of Sheffield Women of the Year in the Education Category!**

Usma won the The Mary Ann Rawson Award for Education in memory of the woman who set up Wincobank School in 1839 and a trust to keep it safe.

Fir Vale School was also delighted to have sponsored The Dorrett Buckley-Greaves MBE Award for Community.

## In The Spotlight



Mrs Shiels our School Business Manager has been shortlisted for the **School Business Leader of the Year category in the Tes Schools Awards 2022.**

We wish her the best of luck!



Good Luck to Ms Hall, who has been nominated for the **Teacher of The Year in a Secondary School Award.**