



Valley Primary School

Growing and Learning together to be
the best we can be!

ASPIRE... ENJOY...

ACHIEVE... CHALLENGE!

English

Text Focus: How to Find Gold

- Focus writing text type: Retell
- Additional writing text type: Description
 - Use adjectives, expanded noun phrases and similes.
 - Correct use of capital letters and full stops.
 - Spelling rules for adding the suffixes -ed, -ing and -ly.
 - Write commands, statements, questions and exclamation sentences.
 - Use apostrophes for contractions and singular possession.
 - Sizing of letters and clear ascenders and descenders.

Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I can tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes.

Measurement – Mass, Capacity and Temperature

- Measure in millilitres and litres.
- Read temperatures.
- Read scales in steps of 1, 2, 5 and 10.

Number – Four operations

- Add and subtract 2-digit numbers.
- Recall multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Complete 2 step word problems involving all four operations.

Fractions

- Find and recognise a half, quarters and thirds.

Times Tables Rock Star Focus: 2, 5 and 10 times table and related division facts.

Year 2 Newsletter

Summer First Half Term 2025

Healthy Schools

Science – Plants

- Name the parts of a plant and explain their functions.
- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

PE

- Fitness – Learn how to run for a long time, develop co-ordination when skipping, develop stamina and change of direction.
- Striking and Fielding games – track a rolling ball and develop an underarm throw, catch a field ball.



Topic

Key Focus Subject: British Values – Democracy

D.T.

- Research who Coco Chanel was and how she changed the fashion industry
- Design and make a purse using a running stitch to join fabric together.

History

- Understand how different women throughout history have challenged inequality and fought for change, particularly in the 1900s.
- Look at the life of inspirational women through history including: Emily Davison and the suffragette movement; Rosa Parks and how she challenged inequality.

Important Information:

Dates

Friday 16th May – World Cultural Diversity Day (Details to follow)

Thursday 22nd May -Express event (Dress up and invite to follow)

PE –

Churchill 2 – **Monday and Wednesday**, Nightingale 2 – **Monday and Thursday**, Pankhurst 2 – **Tuesday and Wednesday**
Pupils are asked to come into school wearing their outdoor PE kit for the full school day. Shorts and pumps should be left in school.

Reading – Please read with your child at least three times a week and sign the reading diary to earn rewards.

Library – please ensure your child brings their library book in on their library day.

Churchill 2 – **Thursday**

Pankhurst 2 – **Thursday**

Nightingale 2 – **Monday**

SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Kindness

Our Life Skill this half term: Home Management

PSHE – Relationships

- Different types of families.
- Friendship and conflict secrets.
- Expressing appreciation for special relationships.

R.E.

- Theme: Community and belonging.
- Religion: Islam
- Key Question: Does completing the Hajj make a person a better Muslim?

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Focusing on our bodies and being present in the moment.
- Completing puzzles.

Computing – Coding

- Create a computer program using a timer command
- Debug a program

Music – Zoo Time – Reggae Music

- Children will create their own verses for the song and use instruments to accompany their compositions.