# Year 5 Newsletter

Summer First Half Term 2025

## Valley Primary School

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

ASPIRE… ENJOY…

ACHIEVE…CHALLENGE!

## English

Text Focus: *Journey*

- Focus text type: Non-Chronological Report.
- Additional text type: Poetry and narrative.
  - Commas to show main clauses and additional clauses.
  - Subordinate and relative clauses.
  - Semi-colons to join clauses.
  - Writing at length.
  - Editing and proof-reading.

## Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I can recall metric conversions.

- Statistics: Line graphs, two-way tables and interpreting data, analysing and drawing.
- Geometry: Properties of Shapes. Classifying and estimating angles, calculate angles around a point, calculate angles on a straight line, regular and irregular polygons, 3D shapes.
- Geometry: Position and Direction. Plotting co-ordinates, translation, lines of symmetry.
- Number: Decimals. Adding and subtracting decimals, multiplying by 10, 100 and 1,000, dividing by 10, 100 and 1,000 and decimal sequences.
- KIRF: Converting units of measure.

**Times Tables Rock Star Focus:**

11- and 12-times tables.

## Healthy Schools

### Science

- Living Things – Life Cycles
- Understanding the key similarities and differences in the life cycles of different animals and plants.
- Understanding the process of reproduction in plants and animals.

### P.E.

- Cricket – bowling, batting and fielding skills.
- Badminton- Competitive indoor activities.

## Topic

**Key Focus Subject: British Values**

### Art

- Explore Elizabeth Catlett and Nina Lazarou.
- Experiment with wire as a modelling material.
- Create a 3D wire sculpture and evaluate the process and outcome.

### DT

- Research and analyse existing products that use cam mechanisms to create movement.
- Create a design criteria to make a moving WW2 model.
- Accurately measure, cut and shape my chosen material.
- Use selected tools to assemble and join materials.
- Evaluate my product and the creation process.

## Important Information:

Dates

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

**Tuesday 20th May** - Topic Express (Dress up and invite to follow)

PE – Webber - **Monday & Wednesday,** Lynn **-Tuesday & Wednesday,** Holst **-Monday and Tuesday**

Pupils are asked to come into school wearing their outdoor PE kit for the full school day. Pumps should be left in school.

Library Please have library books in school to read for pleasure during these slots:

Webber – **Wednesday**, Holst – **Monday,** Lynn – **Tuesday**

Reading – Please read at least three times a week and get an adult to fill in the reading diary to continue earning reading rewards.

## SMSC

**Our Key School Value this half term: Kindness**

**Our Life Skill this half term: Home Management Skills**

### R.E.

- Religion: Sikhism
- Theme: Prayer and Worship
- Concept: Commitment

### PSHE

- Self-Recognition & Self-Worth
- Building Self-Esteem

### MFL

- Home, Family and Pets

## Personal Development

### Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing and Mindfulness

### Music

- Living on a Prayer/Rock Music
- Fresh Prince/Hip Hop Music
- Guitars

### Computing

- Modelling- 3D models