



Valley Primary School Newsletter

GROWING AND LEARNING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE!
ASPIRE...ENJOY...ACHIEVE...CHALLENGE!

Friday
18th
September
2026

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

BIG THANK YOU!

I want to dedicate this week's message to a really big thank you to our wonderful PTFA! Last Friday we had a great fayre which was fully run by the PTFA team and volunteers who kindly gave up their time to help them.

We had tombolas, games, bouncy castles, drinks, food and above all lots and lots of Fun.

The children thoroughly enjoyed it and many of them didn't want to leave and spoke fondly of their Friday afternoon/evening when returning to school this week.

Many, many thanks to everybody who came, who volunteered to help and to our committed team of PTFA.

Miss Milewski



VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

Attendance Matters

It is important that children are in school punctually and remain until collection time to avoid lost learning, to keep up with the sequence of lessons and to access social opportunities in support of wellbeing. In exceptional circumstances, should early collection be unavoidable (for example where you have been unable to schedule a necessary medical or dental appointment outside of school hours), we would ask that you call into the office to complete a form with as much notice as possible so that staff are aware. In the event of an emergency, forms are accessible for completion on the day. If you are struggling with drop off or collection times and would value advice, please contact our parent liaison lead to request contact from Miss Lambert (our Child and Family Support Worker). As school attendance is essential and monitoring a requirement, multiple late arrivals or early collections will result in contact to arrange a meeting. Thank you for supporting your child's attendance and access to the full school day.

Parking

We have been informed that the traffic enforcement team were issuing parking tickets this week on Old Lode Lane and that they will be making regular checks around Old Lode Lane and the Fallowfield Road site.

We would also like to remind all parents/carers that vehicles are prohibited from parking outside the school on Fallowfield Road, Mountjoy Crescent and Meriden Rise during the restricted times of **8am-8.50am and 2.35pm-3.35pm, Monday to Thursday and 1.05pm - 2.05pm on Friday's only.**

October Half Term Cycling Course

Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council are holding a cycling course for children **aged 5 - 7 years at Tudor Grange Leisure Centre (Indoor Learn to Ride) from 27th to 30th October.** Bikes and helmets are provided and the course is designed for children who are not able to pedal independently and can experience that first spark of cycling freedom. Further information can be found at solihull.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking

Snacks

Children from **Year 2 to Year 6** are encouraged to bring one healthy, nut free snack to school to eat during the day. Children eat this during their longer session meaning Year 2 and 3 have this in the afternoon and Year 4, 5 and 6 have this in the morning. Ideally this should be fresh fruit but we do allow most healthy snacks if your child prefers something like a cereal bar. We have some fruits available for children in Year 2 if they would like school fruit, but at the children's and parents' request we invite them to bring their own also. **Nursery, Reception and Year 1** do not bring in a snack from home they have snacks provided.

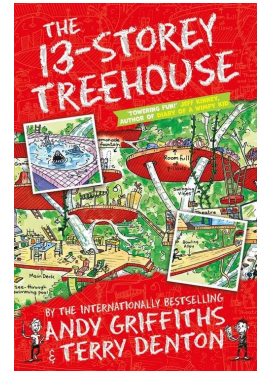
If your child attends Explorers either before or after school, we would welcome you sending an extra snack for your child to eat in club.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'The 13 - Storey Treehouse ' By Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton

Andy and Terry live in the WORLD'S BEST treehouse! It's got a giant catapult, a secret underground laboratory, a tank of man-eating sharks and a marshmallow machine that follows you around and shoots marshmallows into your mouth whenever you're hungry! The first book in a series of wacky treehouse adventures filled full of comic book illustrations.

This book is suitable for readers in Middle Phase.



SHARING OUR LEARNING

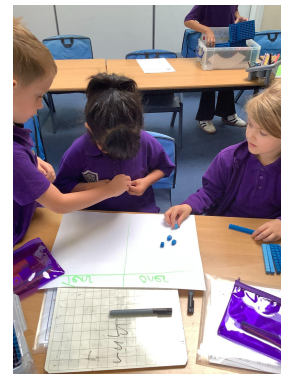
Lower Phase

The **Nursery** children used the Creative project room this week. They enjoyed using the newly painted chalkboard as well as using their creative skills in the playdough, painting and collage stations.



Middle Phase

This week, **Year 2** have been busy having lots of fun with maths! They have been exploring place value, using a range of concrete resources to represent two-digit numbers and deepen their understanding of tens and ones. The children have been developing their confidence in recognising the value of each digit and accurately representing numbers in a place value chart.



Upper Phase

In music, the children have been singing the song 'Mamma Mia' by Abba. They have been talking about the pitch and how to sing at the correct pitch so that they can sing tunefully. **Webber** did some brilliant singing and they performed it magnificently.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note to Parents

We would be extremely grateful for any donations of board games that you no longer enjoy using for us to use during some of our Friday enrichment sessions on both sites. Please feel free to hand them into either office for the attention of Miss Lambert

Further Developing Partnerships

It is always a pleasure to receive your comments and feedback, and we are always happy to answer any questions or queries you have, please continue to email these to parentliaison@valleyprimary.org

ATTENDANCE – W/C 7 September – 11 September 2026

Well done to the following classes who are this week's winners in their Phase!

LOWER PHASE	Lee 1	99.2%
MIDDLE PHASE	Pankhurst 2/3	97.9%
UPPER PHASE	Lynn 4/5	98.5%

DIARY DATES

Please talk to your children about these events...

28th September - Recycling Focus Week

Please support your child to participate in...

2nd October - Times Table Rockstars Day

Please click on the link below to see our Valley Calendar. This will be updated weekly with new events as they arise.

<https://www.valleyprimaryschool.co.uk/calendar/?calid=2&pid=8&viewid=3>