



Valley Primary School

Newsletter

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

Friday
2nd October
2026

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today our children have thoroughly enjoyed Times Table Rockstar and Numbots Day. Across the school we have had budding mathematicians and budding rock stars excited about learning their mathematical facts.

Your child should have their log in for these platforms and they are fully accessible at home. Please do encourage your child to continue this excitement at home.

Next week, we look forward to welcoming you all to parents evening on Friday 9th October. If you have not booked a slot, please email your child's class teacher directly and they can see if they have any available slots to allocate to you.

We are also planning to review our sets model over the next couple of weeks with a view to changing any children around who are struggling in their current groups. Should you have any feedback on these, please do share this with your child's class teacher on parents evening so we can feed this into the process.

Many thanks for your continued support,
Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

New Nursery and Reception Open Mornings for September 2027

We are offering New Nursery and Reception open mornings for September 2027/2028 cohort on **Thursday 12th November and Thursday 3rd December from 9.45am to 11am.**

Late Arrivals

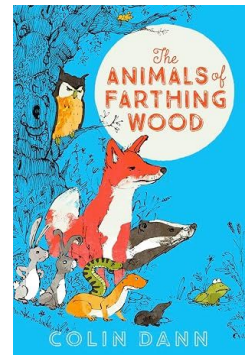
We are eager to promote the wellbeing of our children and arriving on time is an important part of our children's school routine. When children are late, they miss out on the calm and structured start to their day, including valuable time for settling in, registration, familiarisation with the timetable for the day ahead and early learning activities that help set a positive tone for the rest of the day. Persistent lateness can affect a child's confidence, learning progress and overall sense of routine. In addition, for those accessing settling in or other early interventions, the pressure on staff timetables means that sessions can not be provided flexibly and will be missed. If we can help and potentially offer advice or if you are aware of barriers/concerns your child is experiencing, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or email Parent Liaison parentliaison@valleyprimary.org who will be able to put you in touch with Miss Lambert, our Child & Family Support Worker.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'The Animals of Farthing Wood' By Colin Dann

Farthing Wood is being bulldozed, and there's a drought. Fox, Badger, Toad, Tawny Owl, Mole and the other animals must band together and set off to a far-away nature reserve. Their journey is full of adventure and fraught with disasters, and the animals must work together to survive.

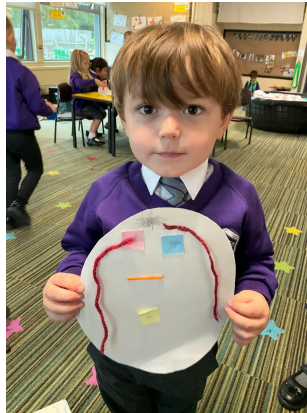
This book is suitable for readers in Upper Phase.



SHARING OUR LEARNING

Lower Phase

In **Nursery** this week the children have been creating collage faces using different materials. They discussed the features they have on their faces and then selected appropriate materials to match. They even thought about how they can make their faces look happy and sad.



Middle Phase

In Religious Education this week, **Middle Phase** have been exploring how they can respond to problems with love. The children listened to a range of different scenarios and discussed ways they could solve each problem while showing kindness, care and love towards others.



Upper Phase

This week in **Farah**, the children have been practising their aim in dodgeball. They practised in small groups and then modified their dodgeball game to score extra points for successfully aiming at a target on the floor. They demonstrated their teamwork skills by working with others to score points for their team.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note to Parents

The October timetable for the Hatchford Hub is now available by clicking on the link.

<https://www.solihull.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2026-09/Hatchford%20timetable%20October%202026.pdf> The Hub is available for all families to access support and information and to also be able to take part in fun activities.

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 21 September – 25 September 2026

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

LOWER PHASE	Whittle	99.1%
MIDDLE PHASE	Churchill 2/3	98.3%
UPPER PHASE	Hawking 4/5	98.5%

DIARY DATES

Please talk to your children about these events...

9th October - Black History Day

Please support your child to participate in...

13th October - Y5/6 - Boys Football Cup Fixture - Marston Green School - 4pm - 5pm

14th October - Y6 Think Tank Trip

Please join us for these events...

9th October - Parents' Evening - Fallowfield Road - 2.05pm - 7.15pm

9th October - Parents' Evening - Old Lode Lane - 2.15pm - 7.15pm

16th October - Nursery Parents Workshop - 10.45-11.30am

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>