



# Valley Primary School

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

## Summer Holiday Activities and Ideas.

### (Years 5 and 6).

#### Reading Ideas...

If you read for just 20 minutes a day, then you will learn more than 2 million words per year! Sharing stories with adults and your brothers and sisters, or reading alone each day has many benefits. Remember that books don't necessarily have to be school books; you can read a wide range of other things too – magazines, signs on television, labels on shopping, whatever you are interested in. Along with reading for pleasure, you could keep a diary or log of what you have been reading.

Listening to stories is also a brilliant way to share stories. Ask your adults at home to read you stories or make up stories to tell you.

Some ideas for reading activities are:

- Create your own reading comprehension questions on your favourite book
- Retell the story to an adult at home
- Tell the story using pictures
- E-book Library
- Oxford Owl Reading
- Reading VIPERS Question Stems
- Read a JK Rowling book

#### Writing Ideas...

Some ideas for writing activities are:

- Create a storyboard template
- Create an animal writing inspirational poster
- Use photo prompts to create a non-chronological report about something that inspires you.
- Come up with your own illustration
- Create an effective story opener
- Create an adventure story
- Create story map for a plot
- Describe an imaginary setting

### **Maths Ideas...**

Some ideas for Maths activities are:

- Drawing percentages
- Calculating numbers using the bus stop method
- Working out multiplication short and long division
- Create and measure angles
- Adding and subtracting fractions
- Mean, medium and mode of one and two digit numbers

### **Wider Curriculum Ideas...**

Some ideas for other activities you could try are:

- Think about what your talents and interests are... be creative with these – Can you create a sculpture out of recycling materials?
- Set yourself a P.E. challenge – Can you create an obstacle course outside?
- Do some weeding in your garden and plant something?
- Plan and prepare a meal
- Complete a difficult jigsaw puzzle
- Write a diary about your summer holidays
- Make your bed and keep your room tidy
- Learn how to sew on a button
- Learn another language

### **Mental Health Focus Activities...**

- It is important that you also do a daily Mental Health activity to keep your brain active. Please visit our school website to get some ideas or practise your favourite mental health activity which you learnt this year.
- PSHE Diary – Keep a diary of your feelings during the summer holiday and activities you do. Always include the most positive thing that happened that day. Consider any hopes or targets for the next day. You can keep parts of this private and choose to share parts with your families or your teacher when you return.

### **Outdoor Learning Activities...**

- Can you create your own game outside?
- Can you create a weather forecast recording?
- Can you create a sport recording for a match?
- Create a picture of yourself or a friend by only using natural materials.

### **Website Links ...**

- Visit the Learning Zone on our school website to get links to recommended websites
- Log in to Times Tables Rock Stars to practise your Times Tables
- Log in to Charanga to practise your Music skills