



Valley Primary School
Growing and Learning together
to be the best we can be!
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Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn First Half Term 2023

English

Text Focus: Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce

- Research and write a newspaper report.
- Explore character's feelings and relationships.
- Using persuasive features of writing.
- Using adverbs to show degrees of possibility.
- Look at the use of modal verbs.
- Learn to use a wider range of clauses.
- Use a range of conjunctions.

Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I know decimal number bonds to 1 and 10.

- Number: Place Value
 - Rounding
 - Roman Numerals
 - Negative Numbers
- Number: Addition and Subtraction
- Number: Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
 - Equivalent fractions
 - Ordering and Comparing
 - Addition and Subtraction

Healthy Schools

Science

- Properties and changes of materials
- Different types of materials
- Solids, liquids and gases

P.E.

- Learn the skills required to participate in a game of football.



Topic

Key Focus Subjects: Art and History

Art

- Explore printing and different techniques.
- Use different tools to experiment with printing and techniques.
- Create a Viking shield using symbolism.
- Use lino printing ink to create different mediums of art.
- Evaluate Viking shields.

History

Enquiry question: Does describing the Vikings as vicious raiders portray them accurately?

- Understand who the Vikings are and why they invaded Britain.
- Explore how Anglo Saxons and Vikings struggled for power.
- Discover the purpose of Danegeld and Danelaw.
- Compare and contrast the lives of The Anglo Saxons and Vikings.
- Explore how the perceptions of Vikings has changed.

Important Information

Dates – Curriculum Evening Thursday 21st September, 5pm

Parent's Evening Tuesday 24th October + Thursday 26th October

PE – Holst: Monday and Wednesday.

Lynn: Monday and Tuesday.

Webber: Monday and Tuesday.

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

Library – Our library times will be Holst, Lynn and Webber all on Tuesdays. Please ensure children bring their books in when they are ready to change them.

SMSC

Our Value this half term: Responsibility

Our Life Skill this half term: Mental Health

P.S.H.E.

- Being a citizen
- Rights and Responsibilities

R.E.

- Theme: Belief into action
- Religion: Sikhism

M.F.L.

- About Ourselves
- Describing a birthday celebration

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing techniques and mindfulness activities.

Computing

- Online safety, emails and attachments.

Music

- Living on a Prayer.
- Guitars (Holst – this half term)