



**Valley Primary School**  
Growing and Learning together  
to be the best we can be!  
ASPIRE... ENJOY...  
ACHIEVE...CHALLENGE!

### English

**Text Focus:** Anna Hibiscus and If All the World Were...

- Write a narrative story and a letter
- Write in role in order to develop empathy with characters and explore characters and events
- Use past and present tense correctly and consistently
- Punctuate different sentence types accurately . ? !
- Use different conjunctions to link sentences
- Expand noun phrases to describe and specify
- Use suffixes including: -ful, -ness, -less, -ly

### Maths

**Key Instant Recall Fact:** I know doubles of all numbers to 20 and halves of even numbers to 20

#### Number - Fractions

- Unit and non-unit fractions
- Find  $\frac{1}{2}$
- Count in fractions

#### Measurement - Length and Height

- Measure in metres and centimetres
- Compare and order lengths
- Four operations with lengths

#### Geometry - Position and Direction

- Describe movements and turns
- Make patterns with shapes

**Times Tables Rock Star Focus:** 2, 5 and 10 times tables

## Year 2 Newsletter

### Spring Second Half Term 2024

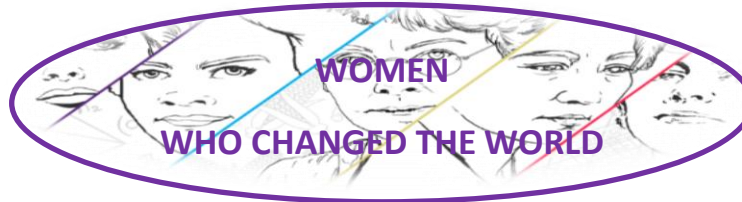
#### Healthy Schools

##### Science - Plants

- Name the parts of a plant and explain their functions.
- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

##### PE

- Balance for three seconds on different numbers of body parts on the floor and on apparatus.
- Maintain balance while travelling along a straight line, both on the floor and on apparatus.



#### Topic

**Key Focus Subject:** British Values - Democracy

##### Art

- Compare the illustrations of Peggy Fortum and Beatrix Potter and create my own character in the style of one of these illustrators.
- Use watercolours to add colour to my sketches.

##### Geography

- Know who Mary Anning is and where she came from.
- Use geographical vocabulary to describe human and physical features of Lyme Regis.

##### History

- Understand how different females throughout history have challenged inequality.
- Explore how Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole changed the face of nursing.

#### Important Information:

##### Dates

**E-library Demonstration** - 21<sup>st</sup> February (8.40am or 3pm)

**World Book Day** - 7<sup>th</sup> March

**Parents' Evening** - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

**PE** - 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.

**Churchill 2** - Monday and Thursday

**Nightingale 2** - Tuesday and Thursday

**Pankhurst 2** - Tuesday and Thursday

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

**Library** - Please ensure your child has their library book on **Wednesday** so it can be changed weekly.

#### SMSC

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

**Our Life Skill this half term:** Decision Making  
**PSHE**

- Know which foods are good for me and how to keep my body healthy
- Understand why foods and medicines are good for the body
- Make healthy and safe choices

##### R.E.

- Theme: Easter - Resurrection
- Concept: Salvation, Religion: Christianity
- Key Question: How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion?

#### Personal Development

##### Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing and Mindfulness Techniques
- Enjoying the outdoors

##### Computing - Making music and Questioning

- Use yes/no questions to separate different items
- Explore, edit and combine sounds

##### Music - Rock music - I Wanna Play In A Band

- Children will learn to play together in an ensemble.