



Valley Primary School
Growing and Learning together
to be the best we can be!
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Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn Second Half Term 2023

English

Text Focus: Rapunzel by Bethan Woollvin and The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd-Stanton

- Alternative Traditional Tale.
- Poetry – writing and performing.
- Diary entry – writing in role.
- Story writing.
- Responding to illustrations.
- Enrich vocabulary and understanding of the impact of language on readers and audience.
- Apostrophes for contracted words.
- Commas in a list.

Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I aspire to recall multiplication and division facts for the 10x table.

Addition and Subtraction

- Add two 2-digit numbers.
- Subtract a 2-digit number from a 2-digit number.
- Solve missing number problems.

Geometry

- Recognise and draw 2-D and 3-D Shapes.
- Know the properties of shapes.
- Lines of symmetry.
- Sort 3-D shapes.

Healthy Schools

Science – Living Things

- Identify things that are living, dead and never been alive.
- Describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival.

P.E.

- Perform dances using simple movement patterns.
- Perform different jumps with controlled landings.



Topic

Key Focus Subject: Design & Technology

Art

- Design a Rangoli pattern
- Explore chalk as a medium of art

D.T.

- Research, select and prepare ingredients for a savoury Indian dip to taste.
- Explore what a balanced diet is.
- Write a simple recipe.

Geography

- Locate the UK and India on a map and name the relevant continents and oceans.
- Explore the key features of major cities within the UK.
- Compare the physical and human geographical features of a small part of the UK and India.

Important Information

Dates – Family Anti-Bullying Assembly – 15th November, 2.4-4pm

Y1/2 Bedtime Stories – 20th November, 5pm

Y2 Christmas Performance – 19th December, 2.4-5pm or 20th December, 9am.

PE

Pupils are asked to come into school wearing their PE kit for the full school day. Pumps should be left in school. Please label all items. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters before school on your PE day.

Churchill 2 – Monday and Wednesday

Nightingale 2 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Pankhurst 2 – Monday and Wednesday

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 their library day:

Churchill 2 – Tuesday, Nightingale 2 – Wednesday

Pankhurst 2 – Thursday

SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Collaboration

Our Life Skill this half term: Physical Health

P.S.H.E.

- Celebrating differences – challenging assumptions and stereotypes about gender; understanding bullying; standing up for yourself and others; making new friends.

R.E.

- Christianity – Jesus as a gift from God. Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Staying focused and calming techniques

Computing

- Use the Internet safely to search.

Music

- Ho, Ho, Ho – The children will learn to sing and sign a Christmas song.