



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

English

In English we will be looking at two texts 'Robot and Bluebird' and 'The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon'.

We will be writing a retell, poem, set of instructions and a letter.

The grammar focus will be:

- Using **because, also, and, so, but...** and how these are used to extend sentences.
- Using a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun /.
- Using adjectives and time connectives to add detail.
- Using Imperative verbs when writing instructions, for example, 'put', 'get', 'chop'.
- Reading and spelling Year 1 common exception words.

Maths

In Maths we will continue to consolidate our Place Value knowledge and practise number skills.

We will be studying the following topics:

- Number - place value within 100
- Multiplication and Division - using arrays
- Fractions - finding half and a quarter
- Position and Direction - describing turns
- Time- read o'clock and half past times

Key Instant Recall Fact: **I can count in 2s, 5s and 10s.**

Year 1 Newsletter

Summer First Half Term 2024

Healthy Schools

Science

Our topic is called 'Animals including Humans'.

- Describe and compare different animals.
- Identifying common animals that are carnivores, herbivores, and omnivores.
- Writing a non-chronological report.

PE - Ball Skills

- Roll large and small balls and collect the rebound.
- Throw a large ball and catch the rebound with two hands.



TOWERS AND TURRETS



Topic

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

Design and Technology

- Discuss features of a junk modelling castle.
- Design and construct a 3D castle using design criteria.
- Use equipment safely to shape and cut and join materials.

History

- Investigate the purpose of a castle
- Look at key jobs within a castle
- Examine the social pyramid of a medieval castle
- Consider how Warwick castle has changed over time
- Investigate why castles may have changed over time

Important Information:

Dates:

Earth Day - Monday 22nd April

World Cultural Diversity Day - Tuesday 21st May

Visit to Junior Site for Y4 Express - Thursday 23rd May

House Point Celebration - Friday 24th May

Walk to School week - 20th - 24th May.

PE is on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**, this half term. Please label all items. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters before school on your PE days.

Library - Please ensure your child has their library book on their library day: All Year 1 classes will visit the library on **Wednesday**.

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

SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Kindness

Our Life Skill this half term: Home Management

P.S.H.E Relationships

- Making friends and being a good friend.
- Belonging to a family.
- Celebrating special relationships.
- People who help us
- Qualities as a friend.
- Self-Acknowledgement

R.E. The religion is **Judaism** and the theme is **Shabbat**. Key question - Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing and Mindfulness Techniques
- Outdoor Learning

Computing Coding.

Music - Round and Round - Latin Music