



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 'The Last Wolf' and 'Beegu'. We will be writing a letter and diary entry linked to the above texts. Focussing on:

- Use **because, also, and, so...** and how these are used to elaborate sentences.
- Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun /.
- Use exclamations for impact e.g. **It's amazing!**
- Use the spelling rule for adding -s or -es as the plural marker for nouns.
- Use the suffixes -ing, -ed, -er and -est where no change is needed in the spelling of root words.
- Use the prefix un.

Maths

- Addition and subtraction within 20
- Place value within 50.
- Counting forwards and backwards within 50.
- Subtraction crossing 10.
- Counting/ordering and representing numbers to 50.
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.
- 1 more and 1 less.

KIRF – I know all addition and subtraction facts for all numbers between 0-10

Year 1 Newsletter

Spring 1 Half Term 2024

Healthy Schools

Science

- Continue to observe the changes across the 4 seasons and describe weather associated with them.
- Explain that the length of day changes with the seasons.

P.E.

- Choose simple movements and link them together.
- Learn to travel at different speeds and find space and stop safely.
- Learn to balance in different ways.
- Learn to create simple shapes with body.



Topic

Focus Subject: History

Enquiry Question - What was significant about Queen Victoria?

D.T.

- Make a Victorian Sponge cake in cooking and nutrition.

History

- Discover what Victorian schools were like.
- Explore the roles and duties of a Monarch
- Explore who Queen Victoria was and her life.
- Uncover the achievements and legacy of Queen Victoria.

Important Information

Dates – Y1 Engage and dress up – **Wednesday 10th January.**

Express Afternoon Tea (1 parent invited per child) – **Tuesday 6th February, 2.4-5pm.**

PE – Pupils will be asked to come into school wearing their outdoor PE kit for the full school day. Shorts and pumps should be left in school.

Bell 1 – Monday and Thursday

Lee 1 – Tuesday and Thursday

Shaw 1 – Monday and Tuesday

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:

Bell 1, Lee 1 and Shaw 1 – Wednesday.

SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Respect P.S.H.E.

Set goals and identify success and achievements. Learn to explain how it feels when we are successful. Learn ways to keep your body safe and healthy.

RE

- Talk about your friends and why you like them.
- Know how Jesus tried to be a good friend.
- Talk about a person you admire.

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being: Mindfulness

Computing

- Learn to use the keyboard correctly.
- Create animated story books.

Music

- Keeping the pulse using body movements.
- Understand that pitch describes how high or low sounds.
- Blues music – 'in the groove'.