



Valley Primary School Newsletter

GROWING AND LEARNING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE!
ASPIRE...ENJOY...ACHIEVE...CHALLENGE!

Friday
28th June
2024

NOTE FROM THE ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week it has been wonderful to see our children engaging and participating in their Sports Days. These events are times when our Valley Values really shine through. For example, this has been shown through the children's collaboration and working together as a team, with their honesty in showing real sportsmanship to our current half term value of courage where some children have faced challenges and yet shown determination to never give up and be the best they can be. Our children continue to make the whole of the Valley Community feel great pride in each child's achievements. Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to come along and support these days.

This weekend we are looking forward to our Summer Fayre. Our fabulous PTFA have been working tirelessly in the background to put together what I am sure will be an amazing event. Please support this event by coming along on Saturday 29th June from 12pm until 3pm.

Hope you and your families all have a fabulous weekend.

Mrs Wood

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

TEFAT

Just to update you all, things are progressing well in our move towards joining The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust in September. The next step is a baseline education review which will take place on Monday so your children may talk about visitors to their classrooms or talking to visitors in groups. The TEFAT team are looking forward to meeting all our staff and children and getting to know more about our curriculum and learning.

Woodland Trust Green Tree School Award

By taking part in tree planting activities, encouraging biodiversity in our school grounds during our Eco adventurer's enrichment club, litter picks and using our recycling initiatives, Valley Primary has achieved **The Bronze Award** from the Woodland Trust's Green Tree School Award. We look forward to adding the points from our recent energy saving Switch off event run by our Eco Warriors soon to help towards achieving Silver!



Year 6 Tag Rugby

Twenty **Year 6** pupils attended the Tag Rugby Festival on Thursday 20th June. The children were fantastic role models for the school taking part in dancing, warm ups, transition bingo and some amazing games of tag Rugby. The Develop team came 2nd in their group and the Compete team made it into the Silver group for the finals! **Abudi A** was the Valley Player of the Festival winning another medal. Miss Stock, Mrs Hall and Mrs Gallier were so proud of all the children involved!



National Writing Day

We would like to congratulate all the children on being so imaginative during National Writing Day. The variety of texts and ideas that came from a few simple questions at the start of the day was incredible and all of our young authors should be very proud of what they created!

There was a lovely buzz around school as different classes paired up to share their stories.



Congratulations!

It is with great delight that we share the news of another Valley baby. Mrs Hitchin gave birth to a beautiful baby girl on Sunday 23rd June weighing **6lb 12 oz**. The proud parents have named her Selena Phyllis Mae Hitchin and Mum and baby are both doing well.



Warning Regarding the Pavement Outside Old Lode Lane

A grandparent had a nasty accident outside school due to an uneven surface on the pavement just outside the gates, which are currently closed off due to building work (Y3 and Y6) entrance. It has been reported to the council, so we hope the problem will be rectified soon but in the meantime, please do take extra care when leaving the school grounds.

Bikes and Scooters

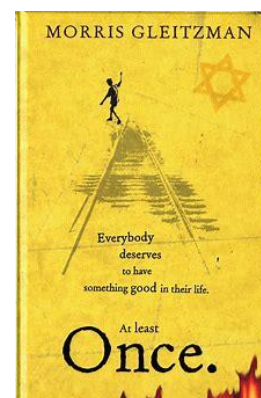
We would like to remind all parents/carers that any scooters or bikes left on school premises should ideally be secured with a lock. We have had a scooter taken from the Fallowfield Road site which has not been returned but was named. As a school we cannot be held responsible for any items which are not securely locked on site.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

“Once” by Morris Gleitzman

This beautiful, heart-warming story is about a Jewish boy named Felix who lived in Poland and is on a quest to find his book-keeper parents after he sees Nazis burning the books from a Catholic orphanage in which had stayed at for 3 years and 8 months. He finds a girl named Zelda, and he takes her with him and protects her from confronting the harsh reality of their life by telling her stories. Although *Once* is a work of fiction, Gleitzman was inspired by the story of Janusz Korczak, the events of World War .

This book is suitable for readers in year 5 and 6.



SHARING OUR LEARNING

KS1

The children in **Year 1** enjoyed their visit from the synagogue on Wednesday. They looked at different religious symbols and enjoyed trying on traditional clothing.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note from the Parent Liaison Lead

Thank you to all of you who have completed our data collection forms recently. I would like to remind parents that if any of your personal details change throughout the school year to please notify the school office immediately to allow us to update your information.

If your child has a medical condition and this alters throughout the year, please also update us to allow us to ensure their records are updated and current.

If your child requires medication during the school day this should be handed into the school office and a consent form completed. These are available on our website via the link below. Please do not put medication in your children's school bags.

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/valley-primary/UploadedDocument/4f29c0eb-6956-402f-abee-5240c41f7647/consent-form-to-administer-medicines.pdf>

Further Developing Partnerships

It is always a pleasure to receive your comments and feedback, and we are always happy to answer any questions or queries you have, please continue to email these to parentliaisonlead@valley.solihull.sch.uk

ATTENDANCE – W/C 17 June – 21 June 2024

UPPER KS2	Ennis 6	79.7%	Farah 6	89.3%	Simmonds 6	88.7%	Holst 5	90.3%	Lynn 5	88.7%	Webber 5	94.1%
LOWER KS2	Hawking 4	90.6%	Newton 4	87.3%	Sharman 4	92.4%	Hockney 3	91.4%	Lowry 3	83.2%	Riley 3	86.7%
KS1	Churchill 2	89.2%	Nightingale 2	91.8%	Pankhurst 2	94.2%	Bell 1	94.5%	Lee 1	90.8%	Shaw 1	84.6%
EYFS	Aston R	87.7%	Grylls R	82.7%	Peake R	81.4%	Starley N	80.8%	Whittle N	73.6%		

Well done to the highlighted classes who are this week's winners!

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

8th July – SLT Drop In – 3.45pm – 4.15pm

10th July – SEN Parents – Coffee and a Catch up – 1.30pm – 3pm

11th July – Lynn 5 Guitar Concert – 2.45pm – 3.15pm

Please talk to your children about these events...

1st July – TEFAT Education Review

4th July – Polling Day (OLL) – School Open

5th July – Whole School Transition

12th July – Y4 Fire Safety Visit

Please support your child to participate in....

3rd July – Y2 Tri Golf Tournament

3rd July – Y6 – Coping with Challenges Workshop

10th – 12th July – Y6 Residential Trip to Mount Cook

Please click on the link below to see our Valley Calendar. This will be updated weekly with new events as they arise.

<https://www.valleyprimaryschool.co.uk/diary/grid/2024/7/>