



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

Summer First Half Term 2023

English

Text Focus: How to Find Gold and Moth – An Evolution Story

- Write a retell in role.
- Write a description including adjectives, expanded noun phrases and similes.
- Write a non-chronological report
- Write instructions including time openers, imperative verbs and adverbs.
- Write commands, statements, questions and exclamation sentences.
- Use apostrophes for contractions and singular possession.
- Sizing of letters and clear ascenders and descenders.

Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I can tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes.

Measurement – Mass, Capacity and Temperature

- Measure in millilitres and litres.
- Read temperatures.
- Read scales in steps of 1, 2, 5 and 10.

Number – Four operations

- Add and subtract 2-digit numbers.
- Recall multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Complete 2 step word problems involving all four operations.

Fractions

- Find and recognise a half, quarters and thirds

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

- Roll large and small balls and collect the rebound.
- Throw a large ball and catch the rebound with two hands.
- Hit a ball with a golf club at different targets.
- Work as a team to achieve a goal.



Topic

Key Focus Subject: British Values – Democracy

D.T.

- Research who Coco Chanel was and how she changed the fashion industry
- Design and make a purse using a running stitch to join fabric together.

History

- Understand how different females throughout history have challenged inequality and fought for change, particularly in the 1900s
- Look at the life of inspirational women through history including: Emily Davison and the suffragette movement; Rosa Parks and how she challenged inequality; Ellie Simmonds and why her achievements are important.

Important Information:

Dates - Topic Express event - Thursday 25th May 2.4-5pm (including dress up).

PE – Indoor PE (all Y2 classes):

Outdoor PE (all Y2 classes):

Indoor and outdoor kits should stay in school. Please label all items. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters before school on your PE day.

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:

Nightingale 2 – Thursday.

Churchill 2 – Monday

Pankhurst 2 – Friday.

SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Kindness

Our Life Skill this half term: Home Management

PSHE – Relationships

- Different types of families.
- Friendship and conflict secrets.
- Expressing appreciation for special relationships.

R.E.

- Theme: The Covenant.
- Religion: Judaism.
- Key Question: How special is the relationship Jews have with God?

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Focusing on our bodies and being present in the moment.
- Completing puzzles.

Computing – Spreadsheets

- Read and use a simple database to find information.
- Collect and record data purposefully and present it in a bar chart.

Music – Zoo Time – Reggae Music

- Children will create their own verses for the song and use instruments to accompany their compositions.