



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 2022

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 and create using impressed printing.

D.T.

- Research, select and prepare ingredients for a savoury Indian dip to taste.
- Write a simple recipe.

History

- The life and achievements of Mahatma Gandhi.
- How and why Gandhi fought for change.

Geography

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

Important Information

Dates – Bedtime Stories – Monday 14th November

Christmas Performances

Wednesday 14th December – 2.4-5pm

Thursday 15th December – 9.00am

PE – Indoor PE (all Y2 classes): Wednesday

Outdoor PE (all Y2 classes): Tuesday

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 and Churchill 2 – Thursday.

Pankhurst 2 – Friday.

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.