



Valley Primary School Newsletter

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

Friday
13th
September
2024

NOTE FROM THE DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have continued to settle and adjust as the new year has got underway. Many house points have already been awarded for children showing this half term's focus value of responsibility and we have also been proud to see so many children applying the 'learning powers' of reflectiveness, resourcefulness, resilience and even reciprocity by collaborating with classmates when faced with new challenges.

With the curriculum and timetables well underway, we would like to remind you that you are warmly invited to find out more about the learning opportunities your child will access this year and possible ways to support during our curriculum evenings next week. Please see Diary Dates below and remember that our new website has lots of useful information including upcoming events [Valley Primary School - Home](#)

We look forward to working in partnership with you and to another successful year.

Mrs Wilton

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

The Hub

We are excited that our hub flexible intervention space is ready to go on both sites now. Next week will be an assessment and familiarisation week for our children who will have interventions in here. Parents will receive a letter notifying you of specific interventions following these assessment updates. Apologies this is slightly delayed but please do be assured this is all in process.

Wellies in Nursery and Reception

As we use the outdoor area every day, please could all parents/carers supply a pair of named wellies that can be kept in school. May we also remind you to please **name all items of clothing including coats** etc.

Inconsiderate Parking – Both Sites

We are again receiving a number of complaints with regard to parents/carers parking inconsiderately. Residents are complaining that their driveways are being blocked and cars are being parked on the pavements and zig zag lines. Please be considerate when you are dropping off or collecting your children.

Messages

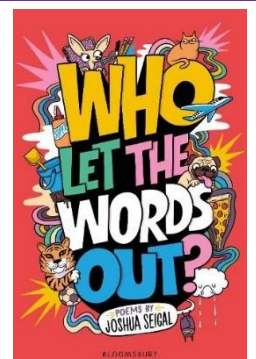
May we please request that any messages including those relating to change of collection arrangements or your child feeling unhappy or slightly unwell that day be given to the school office and they will make sure that all relevant staff are informed of any changes. If your query is less urgent, for example a lost jumper or a homework query, please email the class email address. This system allows staff at the door to focus on supporting the children's entry into school. Thank you for your support.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

Who Let the Words out? By Joshua Seigal

A marvellous new collection of poems by Joshua Seigal, two-time winner of the Laugh Out Loud Awards – the UK's only prize for funny children's books. Someone has let the words out... and they're going to have some fun!

This book is suitable for readers in Upper Phase.



SHARING OUR LEARNING

Lower Phase

In **Year 1** the children have been thinking about how they can represent numbers. They used resources including cubes and counters and created mathematical diagrams to show numbers up to 10.



Middle Phase

In **Year 2**, the children carried out a science experiment to find out which spoon was the best at scooping rice. They tested out different materials including, paper, tissue, fabric, plastic and metal.



Upper Phase

Year 5 had a Viking-tastic Engage Day! To launch their new topic of Invaders and Traders, the children thoroughly enjoyed designing Viking shields and making Viking Longships! Amazing engineering skills Year 5!



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note from the Pastoral Team

As the new school year is upon us, we would like to introduce you to the pastoral team. Miss Lambert – Child and Family Support, Mrs Manton – Autism Lead, Mrs Burrows – Pastoral Support and Mrs Ford – ELSA Lead. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you require any pastoral support.

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 2 September – 6 September 2024

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	94.2%	Farah 6	92.1%	Simmonds 6	96.3%	Holst 5	93.3%	Lynn 5	96.6%	Webber 5	97.0%
	Hawking 4	94.4%	Newton 4	93.3%	Sharman 4	93.8%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	99.0%	Lowry 3	97.3%	Riley 3	96.6%	Churchill 2	95.7%	Nightingale 2	91.7%	Pankhurst 2	100%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	91.3%	Lee 1	100%	Shaw 1	97.7%	Aston R	100%	Grylls R	94.7%	Peake R	90.4%
	Starley N	89.3%	Whittle N	95.5%								

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

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

- 16th September – Y4 Curriculum Evening – 4pm-5pm
- 16th September – Y5 Curriculum Evening – 5pm-6pm
- 16th September – Y6 Curriculum Evening – 6pm-7pm
- 17th September – Y2 Curriculum Evening – 5pm-6pm
- 17th September – Y3 Curriculum Evening – 6pm-7pm
- 18th September – Nursery Curriculum Evening – 4pm-5pm
- 18th September – Reception Curriculum Evening – 5pm-6pm
- 18th September – Y1 Curriculum Evening – 6pm-7pm
- 24th September – Shaw 1 – Phonics Workshop – 9am
- 25th September – Bell 1 – Phonics Workshop – 9am
- 26th September – Lee 1 – Phonics Workshop – 9am

Please support your child to participate in...

- 23rd September – Y4 – Roman Day

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/calendar/?calid=2&pid=8&viewid=3>