



Valley Primary School Newsletter

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

Friday
25th
October
2024

NOTE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a great start to the academic year! Reflecting on the half term, our vision to aspire for excellence, enjoy learning, achieve success and then challenge ourselves further has been realised and our children have been inspired and excited by their curriculum and personal development opportunities. It has been absolutely delightful to see!

This week, we have enjoyed our topic express events across the school. It has been lovely to see how much each year group has learnt. Particular thanks to our Year 6 parents who joined us for speeches yesterday. It was incredible to see what confident, eloquent speakers our children are when performing to an audience. We may well have the next prime minister of the future at Valley!

Congratulations also go to Great Barrier Reef House, our first house point winners of the academic year. They have worked hard this half term to achieve their learning aspires, show our school values, behave admirably and go above and beyond the expected in order to gain house points. Great Barrier Reef Team enjoyed wearing their blue clothes today and house parties were great fun as always. The dances were even better this time after many of our children practised at our fabulous PTFA disco last Friday. Thank you to our PTFA for continuing to support our school and organise fun events. We all look forward to our Christmas Fayre next half term.

I wish you all a lovely half term break. Enjoy spending time with your wonderful children and making many lovely memories. We will see you all after the holidays, children return to school on Tuesday 5th November 2024 as Monday is a training day.

I continue to feel very privileged to be the Headteacher at Valley, thank you for giving us the opportunity of educating your children this half term and for your continued support.

Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

The Hub

Thank you to our parents who visited our hubs this week to see where their children enjoy interventions. The children enjoyed showing them some of the activities they do in the hub and it was lovely for parents to meet some of our hub staff team.



May we take this opportunity to thank our hub team for all their hard work this half term as we have set up our new hubs on both sites. This is such a positive step for Valley and we are very proud of all our children who spend time in the hub.



Girls' Football at Valley

We are pleased to announce that Valley is now a Barclays Girls' Football Partnership Equal Access School 2024 - providing equal access to football for girls in curriculum and extra-curricular activities!



Year 5 Dodgeball Tournament

This week, **Year 5** enjoyed taking part in a dodgeball tournament where they competed against five other teams from local schools. They gave 100% and showed impressive honesty, teamwork and respect towards one another and the other teams they played against. Their wonderful sporting values clearly shone and were recognised by all as they deservedly won a bronze medal each for their participation, effort and attitude to the game. Well done!



CoolMilk

As you may be aware, all children receive free school milk until they reach the age of 5. After that, they can continue to receive fresh mid morning milk at a subsidised cost. If you would like to register your child for this, you can find further details at www.coolmilk.com/register. Here you will be able to make payment straight away on a flexible basis. Children who are in receipt of free school meals and receive pupil premium, please contact the school office for further details.

Request for Information Regarding an Incident

Earlier this week, there was an incident outside our Old Lode Lane site which police are investigating involving a member of the public becoming very agitated when a parent parked to collect their child. If anybody saw anything and is happy for their details to be passed on to the parent so they can pass these to the police, please let the school office know.

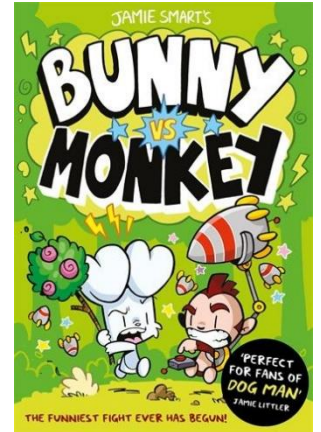
OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'Bunny Vs Monkey' by Jamie Smart

A hilarious series of graphic novels to have you rolling around with laughter!

Welcome to the woods. It's chaos in there! Bunny and his friends Weenie the Squirrel, Pig (the pig), Action Beaver and Skunky the Inventor lived a peaceful life in the forest - until Monkey's rocket crash-landed and he decided to take over! Now Monkey is causing mayhem, Bunny is determined to put a stop to it, and... what's that? It's an out of control shark tank, ruining a lovely picnic!

This book is suitable for readers in Upper Phase.



SHARING OUR LEARNING

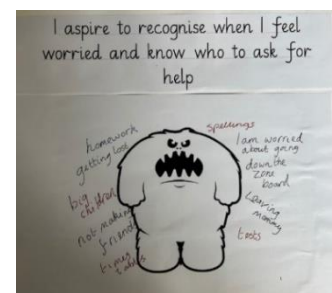
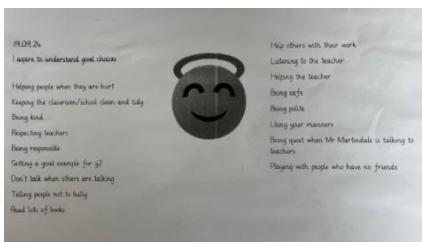
Lower Phase

As part of the **Year 1 Express**, the children in Year 1 visited Reception and shared what they had learnt in their topic 'Moon Zoom'. The children enjoyed looking back at their work over this half term and sharing it with their younger friends.



Middle Phase

During the Phase Leader assembly this week, Mr Martindale shared some of the fabulous work each class had done on rules, rewards and consequences in PSHE lessons.



Upper Phase

This week, **Year 5** have been developing their skills in multiplication and division during maths lessons by using practical tools to master new strategies which helped make maths fun and accessible.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note from the Pastoral Team

The Pastoral Team thought that this might be useful for parents/carers during half term. There are plenty of options where your **child can eat free or even for just £1**. Further information can be found at www.moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2024
moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

MORRISONS
Spend £5 from the hot menu and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

COCONUT TREE
One child (under 10) eats free every day Monday 21st Oct - Sunday 3rd Nov 2024

SAINSBURYS CAFES
Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA
Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK
Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS
Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS
Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO
Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI
Monday 14th October - Friday 1st November 2024 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS
Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

BILLS
2 kids eat FREE Mon - Fri from Monday 21st October - Friday 1st November 2024

PIZZA HUT
Free Kids buffet Monday 14th Oct - Tuesday 5th Nov daily until 3pm with code **SPOOKY**

BELLA ITALIA
Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS
Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM
Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE
Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS
Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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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 14 October – 18 October 2024

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	96.2%	Farah 6	93.0%	Simmonds 6	94.7%	Holst 5	96.3%	Lynn 5	96.9%	Webber 5	97.6%
	Hawking 4	98.0%	Newton 4	85.0%	Sharman 4	91.3%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	98.8%	Lowry 3	97.9%	Riley 3	93.8%	Churchill 2	98.3%	Nightingale 2	92.0%	Pankhurst 2	92.9%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	92.2%	Lee 1	94.2%	Shaw 1	97.7%	Aston R	92.4%	Grylls R	90.4%	Peake R	81.1%
	Nursery	95.5%										

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

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

- 5th November – SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am – 8.30am
- 11th November – SLT Drop in Session – Old Lode Lane 3.30pm -4.15pm
- 11th November – Aston R – Phonics Workshop – 8.45am – 9.15am
- 12th November – SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am – 8.30am
- 12th November – Prospective New Nursery and Reception Parents Open Evening – 6pm – 7pm
- 14th November – Grylls R – Phonics Workshop – 8.45am – 9.15am
- 14th and 15th November – Scholastic Book Fair

Please talk to your children about these events...

- 28th October – 1st November – Half Term
- 4th November – INSET Day
- 14th November – Pyjama Tales – Year 2 – 6 – 5pm – 5.45pm

Please support your child to participate in...

- 5th November – Engage Events
- 7th November – Girls Football Match – Solihull Moors – 5pm – 6pm

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>