



Valley Primary School Newsletter

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

Friday
24th January
2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Old Lode Lane, our Year 6 and Year 2 children have enjoyed welcoming you into their classrooms and many parents have commented how different Maths is since they were at school.

On Fallowfield Road, it was lovely to see so many parents of our Reception parents join our information sessions based on Oxford Reading Owl and Numbots, both of which are great ways to help your child with their learning in a fun way at home. Watch out for your child's logins which will be coming home next week.

We look forward to welcoming more parents virtually next week as we invite Year 6 parents to join us for our SATs information session. This will be on MS Teams on Thursday 30th January at 5pm. The link has been sent out via parent pay.

Have a lovely weekend everybody,
Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

Traffic Enforcement Officers

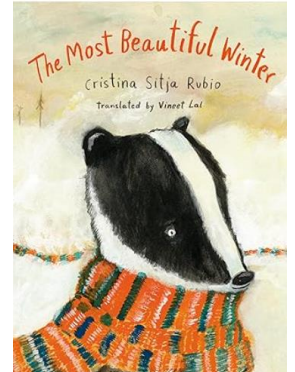
This week, Highways sent traffic enforcement officers to both sites following the accidents and near misses over the last few weeks. We understand from our colleagues in Highways that they will be making random checks over the coming weeks and months, so please do make sure you are parking appropriately.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'Dasher: The Most Beautiful Winter' by Christina Sitja Rubio

When Badger discovers many of his animal friends hibernating, he tries to keep busy on his own, but being alone is not his thing, so he sets out to find new friends to join his winter plans.

This book is suitable to read to children in Lower Phase



SHARING OUR LEARNING

Lower Phase

This week in **Nursery**, the children have been practising to throw and catch a large ball to a friend and they have been using streamers to make large movements when dancing.



Middle Phase

The children in **Year 3** have been learning all about The Arctic, which is the setting for their fantastic Power of Reading book 'Pugs of the Frozen North'. They researched and then wrote a non-chronological report. The children then decided to turn their reports into eye-catching information posters, using colour, pictures, diagrams and fact boxes.



Upper Phase

Webber 5 enjoyed exploring symmetrical and asymmetrical balances in their gymnastics lesson in PE. I think you can agree they demonstrated impressive control and flexibility!



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note from the Parent Liaison Lead

Please be reminded that the school photographer will be visiting us on **Monday 27th January on the Old Lode Lane** site and on **Thursday 30th January on the Fallowfield Road** site. Sibling photographs will be available before school on both days starting at 7.50am. These will end at 8:20am on Fallowfield Road and 8:30am on Old Lode Lane. You will be able to access school via the main school office, however parking will not be permitted on either site.

Please ensure your child is in full school uniform and wearing their purple sweatshirt or cardigan. Children **should not wear PE kits** on their photograph day.

You will be able to access the proofs by registering online with the unique code which your child/children will be given on the day, please be aware that it **can take between 7 & 10 days** for the photograph to be available to view.

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 13 January – 17 January 2025

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	90.7%	Farah 6	91.7%	Simmonds 6	93.8%	Holst 5	95.7%	Lynn 5	92.1%	Webber 5	95.0%
	Hawking 4	93.3%	Newton 4	99.0%	Sharman 4	92.3%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	98.4%	Lowry 3	87.0%	Riley 3	91.2%	Churchill 2	95.7%	Nightingale 2	100%	Pankhurst 2	97.0%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	86.5%	Lee 1	95.2%	Shaw 1	97.3%	Aston R	97.2%	Grylls R	97.1%	Peake R	94.4%
	Nursery	91.9%										

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

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

- 27th January - SLT Drop in Session – Old Lode Lane 3.30pm -4.15pm
- 28th January - SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am – 8.30am
- 29th January – Solihull Parent/Carer Voice Coffee Afternoon – Fallowfield Road – 1.30pm
- 30th January – Y6 SATS Parent Meeting – (Virtual MS Teams) – 5.00pm
- 3rd February - SLT Drop in Session – Old Lode Lane 3.30pm -4.15pm
- 4th February - SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am – 8.30am
- 4th February – Mental Health Parents Workshop – 9am

Please talk to your children about these events...

- 27th January – Individual and class photos – Old Lode Lane
- 30th January – Individual and class photos – Fallowfield Road

Please support your child to participate in...

- W/C 3rd February – National Story Telling Week
- W/C 3rd February – Children’s Mental Health Week

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>