



Valley Primary School Newsletter

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

Friday
14th March
2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Science Day was so exciting on Tuesday. We began the day with an exciting assembly where brave volunteers assisted as we enjoyed several different experiments. There was so much enthusiasm and amazement alongside great vocabulary and scientific skills making sure the tests were fair and measured accurately and consistently. Our day continued with many exciting activities in classes ranging considerably and with massive excitement across the school. Finally, our children went off to do their home experiments each day and we have already had several entries for our Science Competition. If your child has not yet completed these home activities, they can be found on our school website by clicking here:

<https://www.valleyprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Home+Science+Investigations&pid=183>



Many thanks for supporting us to further enthuse our children with their Science learning... we have lots of budding scientists of the future we believe!

Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

Community Links

Well done to three of our **Year 6** children who received special praise from our local community police officers for helping to keep our school community safe and tidy for everybody. This shows great citizenship, well done boys!



EHCP Service – Open Morning

Solihull Parent Carer Voice are holding an open morning on **Wednesday 19th March from 9.30am to 12.30pm** at the **Loft, Chelmsley Wood B37 5TN**. This is open to any parent, whether your child has an EHCP or not. It's a chance to meet with a range of professionals to discuss any concerns you may have. The following professionals are usually in attendance: The EHCP Service, Education Psychology, Children's Disability Team and Specialist Inclusion Service.



Solihull Parent
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Easter Get Pedalling Cycle Training

Solihull Council are running **FREE & FUN Get Pedalling Cycle Training** during the Easter break for children aged 5 plus.



They have sessions indoors at **North Solihull Sports Centre**

on 23rd and 24th April and outdoors on the cycle track at **Tudor Grange Park on 14th, 15th and 25th April**. Both bikes and helmets are available to borrow, or the children can bring their own. They also have some **SEND sessions** for children who may learn better in smaller groups, who need a bit more time to process instructions, fewer distractions and have been struggling to master pedalling without assistance for a long while. These will be held at **North Solihull Sports Centre on 24th April**.

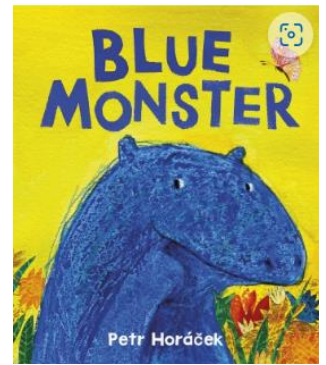
Please click on the link to complete a booking. <https://solihull.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking>

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'Blue Monster' by Petr Horacek

All he wants to do is play with his friends but when Rabbit says he doesn't want to play because he's sleeping, Blue Monster ... well, you'll have to read the book to find out exactly what he does. The story is full of surprises, with a wonderful page-turning quality and the ending is very satisfying. Blue Monster is an irresistible character.

This book is suitable to read to children in Lower Phase.



SHARING OUR LEARNING

Lower Phase

This week in **Nursery**, the children have been planting watercress seeds. They have learnt about the instructions on how to plant the seeds and used them to make sure they were planted in the correct order. They are now observing their watercress cups to see how they are growing. Once they have grown the children will take them home.



Middle Phase

Year 3 have been learning about friction this week. They had a fantastic time experimenting with different surfaces to help them understand friction. They sent cars down ramps made from different materials to see how friction affected them. Can you guess which material made the cars go fastest?



Upper Phase

Year 4 had a fabulous science day on Tuesday. They learnt all about how animals have adapted to suit the environments they live in and really enjoyed learning about how their bodies change and adapt to antigens that are trying to make us ill. The children are also looking forward to creating their own animals as part of the science competition this year.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note from the Parent Liaison Lead

Thank you to everyone who has completed the Parents Evening link, this is now closed. If you have been unable to complete the link you will have been automatically allocated a timeslot. All appointments have been allocated on a first come basis and we will be unable to make any amendments. **All times will be confirmed by 3.30pm on Monday the 17th March via email.**

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 3 March – 7 March 2025

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	96.1%	Farah 6	95.7%	Simmonds 6	92.2%	Holst 5	95.0%	Lynn 5	97.5%	Webber 5	91.8%
	Hawking 4	97.3%	Newton 4	97.9%	Sharman 4	93.7%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	93.8%	Lowry 3	98.8%	Riley 3	97.3%	Churchill 2	91.7%	Nightingale 2	94.0%	Pankhurst 2	98.3%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	92.9%	Lee 1	97.8%	Shaw 1	92.7%	Aston R	91.4%	Grylls R	95.0%	Peake R	96.7%
	Nursery	95.0%										

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

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

- 17th March – SLT Drop in Session – Old Lode Lane – 3.30pm-4.15pm
- 17th March – Hawking 4 – Maths Workshop – 9.00am
- 18th March – SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am – 8.30am
- 19th March – Sharman 4 – Maths Workshop – 9.00am
- 20th March – Newton 4 – Maths Workshop – 9.00am
- 25th March – Parents Evening – 4pm – 6.30pm
- 27th March – Parents Evening – 4pm – 6.30pm

Please talk to your children about these events...

- 17th March – Mothers Days Gift Shop – Fallowfield Road
- 18th March – Mothers Days Gift Shop – Old Lode Lane
- 20th March – Reception Spring Walk
- 26th March – Reception – Height and Weights – 9am

Please support your child to participate in...

- 17th March – Year 3 – Selly Manor Museum Trip
- 19th March – Ennis 6 and Farah 6 – Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery Trip
- 20th March – Simmonds 6 – Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery Trip

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>