



Valley Primary School Newsletter

Friday
2nd May 2025

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to inform parents in advance that next half term all school email addresses to contact Valley will change.

Our new email addresses from Monday 26th May 2025 onwards will be:

General enquiries: office@valleyprimary.org

Parent Liaison Queries, compliments or complaints: parentliaisonlead@valleyprimary.org

Explorers enquiries: explorers@valleyprimary.org

Class email addresses:

nursery@valleyprimary.org

astonr@valleyprimary.org

gryllsr@valleyprimary.org

peaker@valleyprimary.org

bell1@valleyprimary.org

lee1@valleyprimary.org

shaw1@valleyprimary.org

churchill2@valleyprimary.org

nightingale2@valleyprimary.org

pankhurst2@valleyprimary.org

lowry3@valleyprimary.org

riley3@valleyprimary.org

hawking4@valleyprimary.org

newton4@valleyprimary.org

sharman4@valleyprimary.org

holst5@valleyprimary.org

lynn5@valleyprimary.org

webber5@valleyprimary.org

ennis6@valleyprimary.org

farah6@valleyprimary.org

simmonds6@valleyprimary.org

elizabethARC@valleyprimary.org

As currently, please use the office for any urgent contact, please use the parent liaison email to contact Mrs Coldwell (Parent Liaison Lead) and the Explorers email to contact Miss Freeborn (Explorers Manager). Should you wish to contact your child's class teacher directly, please find your child's class and use this email address.

Many thanks for your continued support and your patience as we move to our new Elliot Foundation email addresses and continue to integrate into our new Multi Academy Trust.

Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

Solihull Parent Carer Voice - FREE SEND Session

Solihull Parent Carer Voice are holding a FREE fun session for children to get creative and play with others on **Wednesday 28 May** (during half term) at Hatchford Brook Family Hub on Old Lode Lane. There are two sessions one at 10.30am – 11.30am for children aged 5 – 11 years of age and 11.30am – 12.30pm for children aged 11 – 16 years of age. Parents must stay with their children and to book you will need to follow the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/r/tZ5EmsYrWD>



P.E. Kit Trainers

Our P.E. Kit includes **ALL BLACK TRAINERS**. This is causing some difficulties at the moment as some children are wearing mixed colour trainers and branded trainers and this is creating competition and putting further strain on parent finances.

When you next buy trainers, please could you ensure they are ALL BLACK. School preference is non branded or if you wish to buy branded for a particular reason, please ensure branding is all black and very subtle so hardly noticeable. Branded trainers with a pink tick and pink soles or lights would not be suitable for example. Converse trainers are not suitable.

Some examples of trainers which would be perfect;

<https://direct.asda.com/george/kids/shoes/black-mesh-single-strap-trainers/GEM1249724-23534,default,pd.html?clr=Black>

<https://www.clarks.com/en-gb/urban-bright-kid/26178309-p>

<https://www.shozone.com/Products/XL-Clyde-Easy-Fasten-Kids-Trainer-80062>

<https://www.sportsdirect.com/adidas-tensaur-3-trainers-child-023491#colcode=02349103>

<https://www.marksandspencer.com/kids-freshfeet-riptide-trainers-4-small-1-large->

[/p/clp60713802?intid=mobile_app_pdp_share](#). (black colour option)



Any all black trainers will be suitable however from any shop and any brand.

Please contact our Parent Liaison Lead if you would like to check trainers are suitable prior to buying new trainers for your child as we know many of you buy new for September. Please contact our Pastoral Team if you are struggling to afford to fund trainers and school shoes for your child as there are grants available which could help.

Please note, from September we will be much stricter on ensuring all trainers are in line with our school uniform policy and your child will be asked to change into their school shoes or pumps if their trainers are not all black.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'Help! We Need a Story' by James Harris

It's another day in the jungle and most of the animals are bored, in fact they're 'bored, bored, bored'. Artie the macaque isn't though, he's drawing, and what's more, he's making up a story starring all his friends. In the adventure he creates for them, they're fighting dragons and robot sharks! They're whooshing into space and enjoying an underwater disco. After sharing the story, everyone is happy, excited and laughing, and eager to make up their own adventures



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

SHARING OUR LEARNING

Lower Phase

In **Year 1**, the children have been developing their underarm and overarm throwing skills in their Striking and Fielding games.

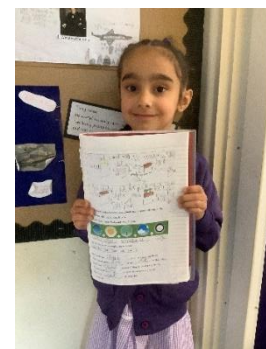


Middle Phase

In Maths, **Year 3** are strengthening their knowledge of addition and subtraction, with exchange.

In Science, the children are continuing their work on plants.

They thought about the conditions that are suitable for plant growth.



Upper Phase

Year 5 went to visit the Sikh temple on Thursday, they enjoyed all the fantastic facts, peaceful community and delicious food.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note from the Pastoral Team

We would like to invite parents/careers to a coffee morning on **Wednesday 4th June at 1:30pm on Fallowfield Road**. This will be to discuss transition for children in all year groups.



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 28 April – 2 May 2025

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	96.4%	Farah 6	96.4%	Simmonds 6	97.3%	Holst 5	98.3%	Lynn 5	93.8%	Webber 5	95.7%
	Hawking 4	99.2%	Newton 4	95.3%	Sharman 4	93.5%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	95.2%	Lowry 3	96.6%	Riley 3	92.3%	Churchill 2	95.5%	Nightingale 2	98.2%	Pankhurst 2	86.4%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	87.0%	Lee 1	93.2%	Shaw 1	93.2%	Aston R	96.6%	Grylls R	89.7%	Peake R	94.2%
	Nursery	96.8%										

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

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

- 12th May – SLT Drop in Session – Old Lode Lane – 3.30pm -4.15pm
- 13th May - SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am -8.30am
- 19th May – SLT Drop in Session – Old Lode Lane – 3.30pm -4.15pm
- 20th May – Y5 - Express Event – 2.45pm
- 20th May - SLT Drop in Session – Fallowfield Road – 7.45am -8.30am
- 21st May – Y3 - Express Event – 2.45pm
- 22nd May – Y2 – Express Event – 2.45pm

Please talk to your children about these events...

- W/C 12th May – Y6 SATS
- 16th May – World Cultural Diversity Day
- 21st May – Nursery Trip – Attwell Farm

Please support your child to participate in...

- W/C 12th May – Y6 SATS Breakfast Club
- 15th May – Girls Football Festival Finals – 3.15pm – 5.45pm
- 20th May – Y1 – Express Event
- 22nd May – Reception - Express Event
- 22nd May – Y6 – Express Event

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>