



Valley Primary School Newsletter

GROWING AND LEARNING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE
CAN BE!

ASPIRE...ENJOY...ACHIEVE...CHALLENGE !

Friday
5th December
2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week our children have enjoyed the first of our Christmas Calendar events, really entering into the spirit and enjoying getting excited about Christmas. A particular highlight was our Reception children's trip to our local Church where they learned more about the true meaning of Christmas.

We are very much looking forward to continuing the calendar next week and invite you all to join us for your child's Christmas performance. There is no need to book a place, but please ensure you know your child's unique password to give in as you sign in for safeguarding reasons. The children have been practising their songs this week and we are confident this will spread some lovely Christmas cheer.

Thank you also to everybody who sent in treats for families in need, elderly and housebound community members and local foodbanks today. Your generosity will be very much appreciated. If you would like to send in any additional items, feel free to do so early next week as these will be distributed towards the end of next week.

Have a lovely weekend everybody and I hope to see you all next week.

Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

EHCP and SEND Support Drop In

Solihull Parent/Carer Voice are holding a drop-in session on **Friday 23rd January from 9.30am – 12.00pm at the Council House, OH training room B91 3QB.**

Come along and meet representatives from Solihull services to ask questions, seek advice and talk about your child's needs – whether they are receiving SEN support or have an EHCP with or without a diagnosis.

Everyone welcome – no booking required.

Social Media

We are aware that the majority of our older children now have access to mobile phones and social media/apps. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that apps such as WhatsApp and Snapchat have age restrictions attached to them and we strongly advise use of devices is monitored. The legal recommended age for most social media apps is 13 and WhatsApp is at least 16.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'Barbara Throws a Wobbler' by Nadia Shireen

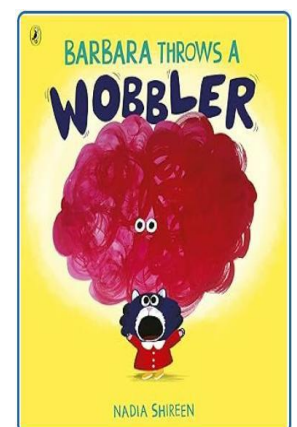
Barbara is in a *very* bad mood. She won't admit it, but she is.

She has a problem with a sock, and at lunchtime there's a strange pea... And even though she's at the park with her friends, it all just gets a bit much. Suddenly Barbara's WOBBLER is out of control!

But what if Barbara and her Wobbler can work together, so she can be cheerful again?

This book is a brilliantly funny and a sensitive way to understand and deal with tantrums.

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



SHARING OUR LEARNING

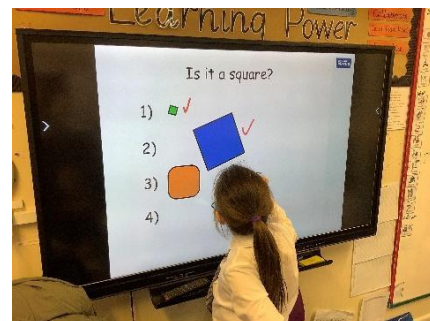
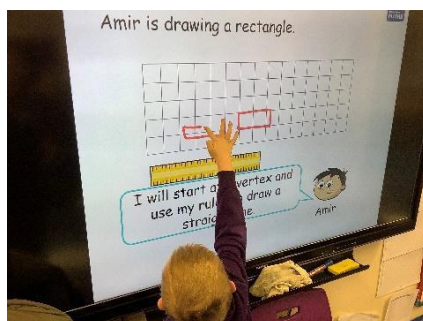
Lower Phase

This week we put up our Christmas decorations in **Nursery**. The children have been using the tinsel and balls to decorate the Christmas tree working together as a team.



Middle Phase

Year 2 have been learning about 2D shapes in Maths this week. They have learned about the properties of 2D shapes, how to count the sides and vertices, and have started having a go at drawing their own shapes, understanding that the same shape can look a little different each time.



Upper Phase

In their Computing lessons, **Year 6** have been learning about the importance of staying safe online. Using Purple Mash, the children created informative and eye-catching information sheets explaining what a digital footprint is, how it is formed, and why it's important to think carefully about the content they share. Their work demonstrated a thoughtful understanding of responsible online behaviour and excellent creative skills.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note to Parents

We would like to remind all eligible parents/carers to please check your emails for HAF information which will give you access to holiday clubs, activities and a meal each day during the school holidays for your children.

We would also like to remind all parents/carers to please feel free to contact the pastoral team if you require any items of used school uniform. We have a large selection of items available on both sites in a range of sizes.

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 parentliaison@valleyprimary.org

ATTENDANCE – W/C 24 November – 28 November 2025

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	94.7%	Farah 6	85.9%	Simmonds 6	84.3%	Holst 5	94.8%	Lynn 5	83.2%	Webber 5	91.4%
	Hawking 4	96.8%	Newton 4	97.0%	Sharman 4	92.5%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	92.7%	Riley 3	92.5%			Churchill 2	88.6%	Nightingale 2	95.4%	Pankhurst 2	91.8%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	91.1%	Lee 1	85.5%	Shaw 1	92.7%	Aston R	89.6%	Grylls R	86.8%	Peake R	95.7%
	Nursery	90.0%										

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

DIARY DATES

Please support your child to participate in...

- 10th December – Reception Aston Visit to Elmdon Church
- 10th December – Christmas Dinner – Upper Phase
- 12th December – Christmas Dinner – Middle Phase
- 12th December – Christmas Dinner – Lower Phase
- 12th December – Fancy Jumper Day – Whole school – Donation for Save the Children
- 18th December – Christmas Games Day

Please join us for these events...

- 8th December – Year 4/5 Christmas Performance – Year 5 Parents Invited – 9am
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- 9th December – Reception Christmas Performance – 9am
- 9th December – Year 1 Christmas Performance – 2.45pm
- 11th December – Year 2/3 Christmas Performance – Year 2 Parents Invited – 9am
- 11th December – Year 2/3 Christmas Performance – Year 3 Parents Invited – 2.45pm
- 12th December – Nursery Christmas Performance – 9am
- 15th December – Year 6 Christmas Performance – 2.45pm

Please talk to your children about these events...

- 16th December – PTFA Pantomime – Fallowfield Road
- 17th December – PTFA Pantomime – Old Lode Lane
- 18th December – Nursery Christmas Parties – am
- 18th December – Reception – Year Y6 – Christmas Parties
- 19th December – House Pointy Celebrations
- 19th December – Term Ends

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>