



Valley Primary School Newsletter

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

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

Friday
12th December
2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

A big thank you to all parents, grandparents and family friends who have already joined us for our Christmas productions. We look forward to seeing Year 6 parents on Monday for our final Christmas production. It has been wonderful to see our children performing so confidently and spreading Christmas Cheer to each of you. You should all be incredibly proud of your children. Well done everybody!

Next week will be great fun in school. We have our Christmas Pantomime which the PTFA have kindly funded, our Christmas Games Day and our Christmas parties. We will also be participating in the Touchwood Choir competition if you would like to pop and see us at Touchwood on Monday evening at 5pm and would like to vote for Valley to win!

Thank you all for your continued support,
Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

New Admissions Consultation Policy - Reminder

We would like to remind all parents/carers that the Elliot Foundation Academies Trust, as the Admissions Authority for Valley Primary School, has commenced a statutory consultation on the proposed Admissions Policy for the academic year 2027/2028. The Statutory Consultation Period will close on 15 December. All responses must be submitted in writing via email to office@elliottfoundationco.uk and must be received no later than **4:00 pm on 15th December 2025**. Please click on the link for further information <https://www.valleyprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Consultations&pid=88>
All responses will be carefully considered by the Trust Board before the policy is formally determined by 31 January 2026.

Reception Applications for September 2026

The closing date for Reception places is **15th January 2026**. Applications received after the closing date will be processed after the applications that are received on time. Applying late will affect the offer you can expect to get.

Parents can access the application portal using the following link: <https://www.solihull.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/starting-primary-or-secondary-school> The Solihull portal is only for Solihull residents, those living out of borough need to apply through their home authority.

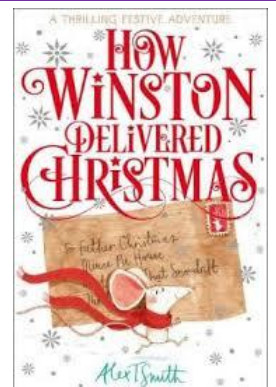
Children with an EHCP do not need to apply on the portal, that process will be undertaken by the EHCP officer.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

'How Winston delivered Christmas' by Alex T Smith

Winston the mouse is on a Very Important Mission. On Christmas Eve, he finds a letter that has gotten lost on its way to Father Christmas – so, with no time to lose, he sets out to deliver it himself in time for Christmas Day! He has a lot of Very Exciting Adventures on his Very Important Mission and makes some wonderful friends along the way.

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



SHARING OUR LEARNING

Lower Phase

This week, **Year 1** have further explored the work of Pablo Picasso, identifying the colours and shapes they can see within his work. Following on from this, they have sketched their own portrait inspired by the facial features used within Picasso's work. The children have thoroughly enjoyed these lessons and look forward to painting their portraits during the following lesson.



Middle Phase

Year 3 have been having lots of fun learning about skeletons and muscles this week! They have been looking at how their muscles and bones work together to enable them to move.



Upper Phase

The children in **Year 4** have been working really hard this week and so unwinded with some FITMAS yoga! The Frozen inspired activity tested the children's flexibility, resulting in some very interesting poses!!



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note to Parents

Please could we remind you that all children should be in full school uniform every day except PE days. This includes a school tie from Year 1 upwards and black school shoes. On P.E. Days children are welcome to come in PE kit but this must be a full school PE kit including a purple fleece and black trainers.

If any parents are struggling to provide any items on our school uniform for your child, please contact our pastoral team who will be very happy to help.

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 1 December – 5 December 2025

UPPER PHASE	Ennis 6	92.7%	Farah 6	86.9%	Simmonds 6	94.3%	Holst 5	93.2%	Lynn 5	92.1%	Webber 5	88.9%
	Hawking 4	92.1%	Newton 4	91.9%	Sharman 4	90.4%						
MIDDLE PHASE	Hockney 3	93.9%	Riley 3	98.8%			Churchill 2	89.5%	Nightingale 2	96.3%	Pankhurst 2	84.5%
LOWER PHASE	Bell 1	80.7%	Lee 1	88.6%	Shaw 1	81.2%	Aston R	69.6%	Grylls R	76.8%	Peake R	87.1%
	Nursery	85.5%										

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

DIARY DATES

Please support your child to participate in...

18th December – Christmas Games Day (£3 paid by parent pay to participate)

Please join us for these events...

15th December – Year 6 Christmas Performance – 2.45pm

15th December – Touchwood Choir Competition – Touchwood Shopping Centre - 5pm

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 Point Celebrations

19th December – Term Ends

6th January – Term Starts

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>