



Valley Primary School Newsletter

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

Friday
10th July
2026

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support this week as our children enjoyed transition day with their new classes on Monday. It was nice to see so many excited children across the school who are looking forward to next academic year.

Understandably though, some children were also a little apprehensive and several have lots of questions about the changes September will bring. To help this, your child has come home with their timetable for the first half term (which will start second week of term). This shows which days the children will do which subjects and importantly, which days they will do P.E. and therefore should come to school in P.E. kit.

The first week of term is a shorter week (only three days) and therefore we will focus on the children settling into routines and getting to know one another. We will also introduce the children to English and Maths sets where appropriate plus we will have our engage event for our Autumn Term topics which is always lovely for the children.

As you are all aware, our school website has lots of information on it and we are in process of updating this to reflect changes for next academic year. There are some lovely photographs already on our Year Group Pages for next year of our transition if you would like to take a look with your children:

[Valley Primary School - 2026-2027 Year Group Pages](#)

Should you have any questions, please do contact us via our parent liaison email address: parentliaison@valleyprimary.org. This email will be checked intermittently over the summer holidays. Alternatively, you can contact your child's new class teacher directly using your child's new class email address (as detailed on the transition letter) from 1st September 2026 onwards.

Miss Milewski

VALLEY NEWS AND REMINDERS

[Read to the Beat! Summer Reading Challenge - Free at your Local Solihull Library!](#)

If your child is **4-11 years of age** they can join the Summer Reading Challenge this summer. It's fun, free and helps keep up reading skills over the holidays!

- Set a reading goal
- Read whatever they like – books, eBooks, audiobooks
- Earn stickers, rewards, a medal and a chance to enter a prize draw to win a voucher for Touchwood, Waterstones or The Entertainer.

Find out more about it on the Solihull Libraries website:

[Children and young people's library services | Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council](#)

The challenge starts 11th July and runs throughout the summer holidays.



Monday 13th July

Monday 13th July is **NOT** a non-uniform day except for Y6 who are wearing sports wear for end of term activities.

Thank you for supporting the non-uniform day of 10th July in advance of our re-scheduled summer fayre. Please be aware that other events including house point celebrations will be announced on this date.

OUR READING RECOMMENDATION

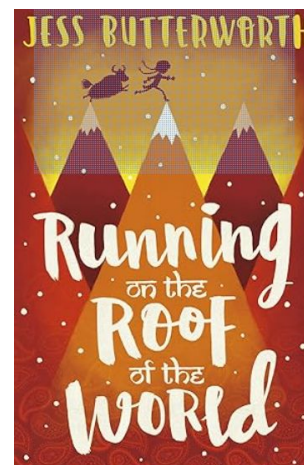
'Running on the roof of the world' By Jess Butterworth

There are two words that are banned in Tibet. Two words that can get you locked in prison without a second thought. I watch the soldiers tramping away and call the words after them. 'Dalai Lama.'

Tash has to follow many rules to survive in Tibet, a country occupied by Chinese soldiers. But when a man sets himself on fire in protest and soldiers seize Tash's parents, she and her best friend Sam must break the rules. They are determined to escape Tibet - and seek the help of the Dalai Lama himself in India.

And so, with a backpack of Tash's father's mysterious papers and two trusty yaks by their side, their extraordinary journey across the mountains begins.

This book is suitable for readers in Upper Phase.



PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

Note to Parents

The Holiday Activities and Food Scheme will again be running throughout the Summer holidays. If your child is in receipt of free school meals or pupil premium you should automatically receive a link to book for your child/ren. Please click on the link to book a place <https://www.solihull.gov.uk/holiday-activities-and-food-haf-programme>

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 29 June – 3 July 2026

Well done to the following classes who are this week's winners in their Phase!

LOWER PHASE	Lee 1	98.1%
MIDDLE PHASE	Churchill 2	95.7%
UPPER PHASE	Webber 5	97.7%

DIARY DATES

Please join us for these events...

15th July - Parent Drop In and Book Collection - 3.45pm - 5.30pm

16th July - Y6 Leavers Assembly - 2.15pm

Please talk to your children about these events...

15th July - Winning House Celebration Games (overall points winners)

17th July - House Parties (this term's winning house)

17th July - Y6 Leavers Party - 5pm - 8pm

17th July - End of Term

20th July - INSET Day

1st September - INSET Day

2nd September - Start of New Academic Year

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>