



**Valley Primary School**  
Growing and Learning together  
to be the best we can be!  
ASPIRE... ENJOY...  
ACHIEVE...CHALLENGE!

### English

Text Focus: Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram and The Emperor's Egg by Martin Jenkins and Jane Chapman

- Diary writing
- Report writing
- Non-fiction writing
- Setting description
- Correct letter formation and sizing
- Questions and commands
- Adjectives and expanded noun phrases
- Capital letters and full stops

### Maths

**Key Instant Recall Fact:** I aspire to recall number bonds to 20.

- Number: Place Value
  - Count forwards and backwards to & from 100
  - Count in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10
  - Compare and order numbers and objects
  - Understand the value of digits within a number – tens and ones
- Number: Addition and Subtraction
  - Add and subtract ones and tens
  - Add two 2-digit numbers

# Year 2 Newsletter

## Autumn First Half Term 2024

### Healthy Schools

#### Science

- Identify and compare the suitability of different materials for particular uses.
- Investigate how different forces can change the shape of materials.

#### P.E.

- Ball skills
- Dance



### Topic

**Key Focus Subjects: History and Design Technology**

#### Art - Engage

- Study a range of artwork portraying the Great Fire of London to see what we can learn about the past.
- Use collage to create a texture fire composition.

#### D.T.

- Design and create a fire engine that includes a wheel and axle mechanism using tools.
- Identify and evaluate faults with axles and wheel designs and suggest ways to fix these.

#### History

**Enquiry Question: How did Britain change as a result of the Great Fire of London?**

- Understand how the fire started and why it spread.
- Order key events and compare sources.

### Important Information

Dates – Dates – Curriculum Evening **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**September 5pm.**

Parents Evenings – **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** and

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

Times Table Rockstar Day **Friday 20<sup>th</sup>**

**September (no dressing up)**

**PE** – Pupils are asked to come into school wearing their outdoor PE kit for the full school day. Shorts and pumps should be left in school.

**Beginning WB 9<sup>th</sup> September:**

**Churchill 2** – Monday and Wednesday

**Nightingale 2** – Monday and Thursday

**Pankhurst 2** – Tuesday and Thursday

**Reading** – Please read with your child at least three times a week and sign the reading diary to earn rewards.

**Library** – please bring in your library books on:

Churchill 2/Nightingale 2/Thursday

### SMSC

**Our Value this half term: Responsibility**

**Our Life Skill this half term: Mental Health**

#### P.S.H.E.

- Discuss hopes and fears; rights and responsibilities; rewards and consequences; valuing contributions.

#### R.E.

- Christianity – what did Jesus teach?
- Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?

### Personal Development

**Mental Health and Well-being**

- Improve concentration and explore feelings.

#### Computing

- Coding (including BeeBots)

#### Music