



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

English

Text Focus: Zeraffa Giraffa and The Magic Finger

Text types:

- Information writing.
- Description.
- Persuasive letter.

- Begin to join handwriting using the diagonal and horizontal joins.
- Spell Year 2 common exception words.
- Use apostrophes for contractions and singular possession.
- Apply spelling rules for adding suffixes.
- Use a wider range of conjunctions to extend sentences.

Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I can recall multiplication and division facts for the 5 times table.

Statistics – Interpret and construct simple tables, pictograms, tally charts and block graphs.

Position and direction – Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement.

- Describe rotation in terms of right angle turns for quarter, half and three quarter turns.

Problem solving – Apply addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in a range of contexts.

- Begin to solve 2-step word problems.

Year 2 Newsletter

Summer Second Half Term 2024

Healthy Schools

Science – Habitats

- Understand that living things live in a habitat to which they are suited.
- Describe how different habitats provide the basic needs for animals and plants to survive and how they depend on each other.
- Identify plants and animals that live in habitats and micro habitats.

PE

- Master basic movements including running, jumping, catching and throwing.
- Athletics



Topic

Key Focus Subject: Geography

Geography

- Name and locate the seven continents and five oceans.
- Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK.
- Track the weather over a time period.
- Compare different types of weather around the world.
- Understand geographical similarities and differences between Solihull and the Antarctic.

Art

- Explore different British flowers and the colours that they are made up of.
- Explore how chalk and oil pastels can be blended together to make changes to the colours used.
- Use flowers as a basis of a still life artistic piece.
- Sketch within our natural environment using stimulus we can find in our local area.

Important Information:

Dates: 25th June – KSI Sports Day

5th July – Transition Day

3rd July – Tri-golf tournament

15th July – Book Look for parents

PE– Indoor PE (all Y2 classes): Thursday

Outdoor PE (all Y2 classes): Monday

Indoor and outdoor kits should stay in school. Please label all items. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters before school on your PE day.

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

Library– Please ensure your child has their library book on their library day:

Nightingale 2– **Wednesday**. Churchill 2 – **Wednesday**

Pankhurst 2 – **Wednesday**

SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Courage

Our Life Skill this half term: Interpersonal Skills

PSHE – Changing Me

- Life cycles in nature and growing from young to old.
- Differences in female and male bodies using correct terminology.
- Increasing independence.
- Transition to Year 3.

R.E.

- Theme: Rites of Passage and good works.
- Religion: Judaism.
- Key Question: What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?

Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing and mind-fulness techniques.
- Enjoying the outdoors.

Computing – Creating Pictures & Presenting Ideas

- Create a picture based on an artist, using a range of effects and functions such as e-collage.

Music – Friendship Song

- Children will learn to sing and play along with