



# Summer Newsletter 2023



## Important dates:

We break up on **Friday 26 May 2023.**

Children return to school on **Monday 5 June 2023**

**Summer Term ends on Thursday 20 July 2023**

**Breakfast club will begin from Monday 5 June 2023**

Breakfast club for Y1 to Y6 is a 'just turn up' system with a voluntary donation. Parents must sign children into breakfast club

## End of School Year Celebration

We can't wait to welcome you all into school on the afternoon of **Thursday 20 July** for our annual end of term family celebration.



## Fundraising

Keep bringing in bagged clothes for our recycling container, every bag donated brings money into our school fund.

Please use Easy Fundraising when you are internet shopping. You can nominate Valley View Primary to receive cash donations for every £1 you spend.

All money raised is used to buy enriching resources for our children in school.

Thank you so much to our amazing and generous school community!



## Consent

Do not forget to fill in a changes form at the school office if your contact details change or if you wish to amend your consent details.

## E Safety

At Valley View, we take online bullying very seriously and teach the children about how to be safe and kind online through our computing and PSHE curriculum. We need to work together with parents to help protect our children so please do the following regularly;

**check the apps your child is accessing and their recommended age**

**check messages on apps and see who your child is contacting and if the content of messages is appropriate**

**let us know if you need further advice or support**

We are a team and can help our Valley View children best when we work together. We are so proud of our children for taking responsibility for their behaviours online. Thank you to our VV families for working with us to teach our children how to be safe and kind online. You can find more advice below...

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>

OpenView Education TRAINING THROUGH THEATRE

### APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS

<b>13+</b>		<b>16+</b>	
Facebook	Snapchat	WhatsApp	
Instagram	Twitter	<b>17+</b>	<b>18+</b>
TikTok	Kik		
YouNow	Yubo	Sarahah	MeetMe
House Party	Monkey	YOLO	LiveMe

## Attendance

We especially want to thank our amazing parents for their fantastic support with attendance this year. Our **attendance so far since September 2021 is 95%. We always strive for 96% and above**

We know that this has been a difficult year for everyone and we really appreciate the way that you all continue to support our school values- resilience, responsibility, respect and engagement.



## Home Reading

Reading is the key to learning and is also a vital tool for children's wellbeing and enjoyment. Sharing stories together at home is a great way to encourage your child to love reading.

Children will bring home a library book each week to help you do this. This library book is to learn about the world, enjoy a poem or story and really get lost in a book together. You can read this to your child and ask them questions or challenge them to read some elements of it themselves.

Your child's reading book is directly linked to their reading age or level. These books should be easily decodable for children as it will match directly with their reading learning in school. If your child is still on our RWI phonics programme, this will be a book bag book. We advise that children read this 2 or 3 times so that they are absolutely fluent (smooth and speedy). For older children, off the RWI scheme, they will work through colour bands and eventually onto free readers. It is still important to hear children reading out loud at this level so that we can support them with any small misconceptions and their wider reading skills such as comprehension and retrieval. Please record in your child's reading journal every time you read with them. This can be a comment from you or them, a signature, a smiley face- anything! This really helps children see the joy and importance of reading as well as helping us to know that we are working together to get all of our Valley View children reading. Remember that two entries a week will get your child's name in a prize draw to win a £20 amazon voucher!

For guidance on reading at home, please see this page on our school website for videos and links to resources to use at home. <https://valleyview.realsmartcloud.com/reading-at-home-2/>

**READ!** Reading is  
the KEY to  
Learning.

"Children are made  
readers on the  
laps of their  
parents."  
Emilie Buchwald

## Reading Reading Reading

Thank you so much for supporting our School Book Fair.

Reading with children is so important and key to learning.

We really do appreciate how our parents and carers support reading in school and at home!



***The journey of a lifetime starts  
with the turning of a page.***