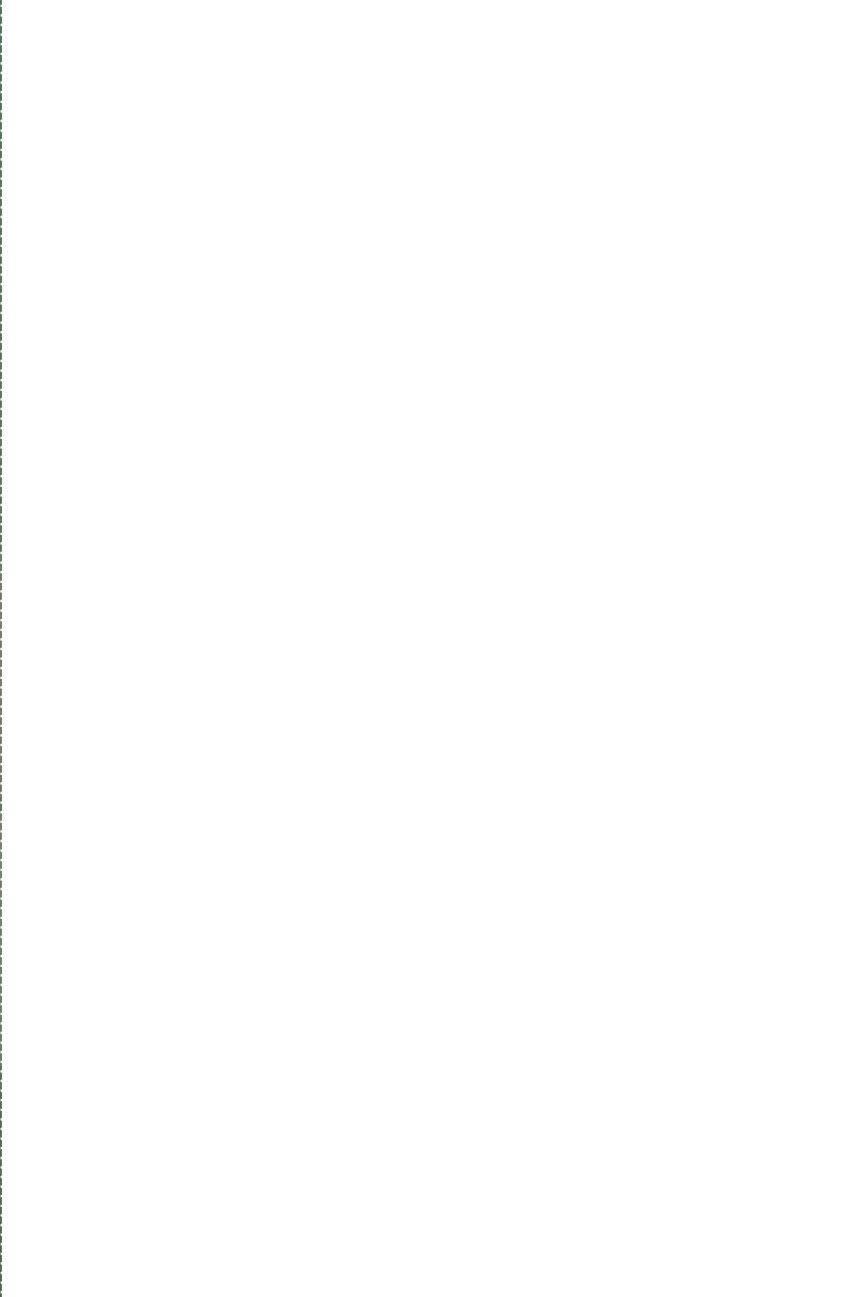




Parent Briefing

Autumn Term
2026-27



The Valley Community School:

“ A world class centre of outstanding learning”

- Reaffirming our belief that
“Together we’re better”

TEAM YEAR 1

- Mrs Caldwell
- Mrs Johnston
- Mrs Patel



Supporting your child at home



A word cloud centered around the word "READING". The word "READING" is the largest and is in orange. Surrounding it are various other words in different colors and sizes, including: "bottom-up" (orange), "shared" (black), "intensive" (black), "independent" (green), "extensive" (red), "detailed" (orange), "top-down" (black), "modelled" (black), "paired" (black), "critical" (red), and "guided" (green).

bottom-up shared intensive independent extensive
detailed top-down modelled paired
guided **READING** critical

Supporting your child at home

- Reading
 - 3 times a week and **sign**.
 - Bookbag everyday
 - QR code
 - Use their phonics - fluency will build up
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- Bring book bag everyday

ROUTINES:

- **School library –**

- Library book given and changed every Wednesday

- **Spelling –**

- Look, say, cover, write and check.
- Practice every morning
- Spelling test Friday

PE

Thursday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)

Health and safety - **no jewellery** and **hair tied back**

PHONICS

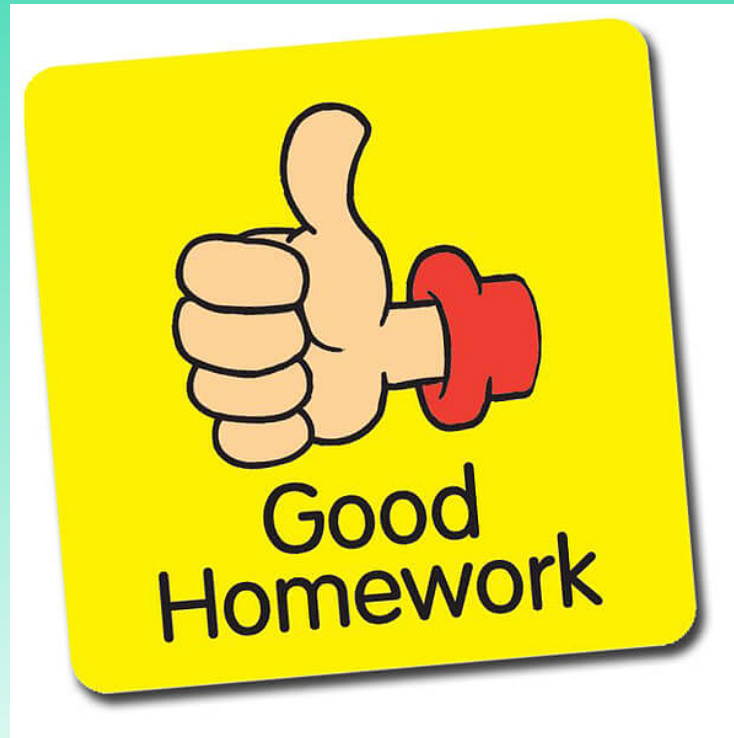
- Phonics – Twice a day
- Spellings - linked to the phonics
- Reading books -linked to the sounds they phonics



Year 1 Phonics

Screening June 2027 –
further details to follow

Supporting your child at home



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- **Homework** –
- Given out Thursday
- Returned on Tuesday
- Linked to learning in school

Supporting your child at home

- Good Nutrition – Breakfast and snack(healthy)
- Good sleep



- Attendance and punctuality
- Please empty your child's bag each night

TOPIC

- **Autumn Term**

Science Superhumans

The Magic Toymaker – History Focus

Assessments

- Mid Autumn, Spring and Summer term
 - Working towards
 - Expected
 - Exceeding
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- **Remember: expectations are high**

Other key events

OCTOBER

- Trip to Cineworld - TBC
- Visit from Toy expert (History)
- RE visitor linked to harvest

DECEMBER

- Winter show –December

Spring term

- RHS Bridgewater

Year 1 Clubs

- **Autumn 2**

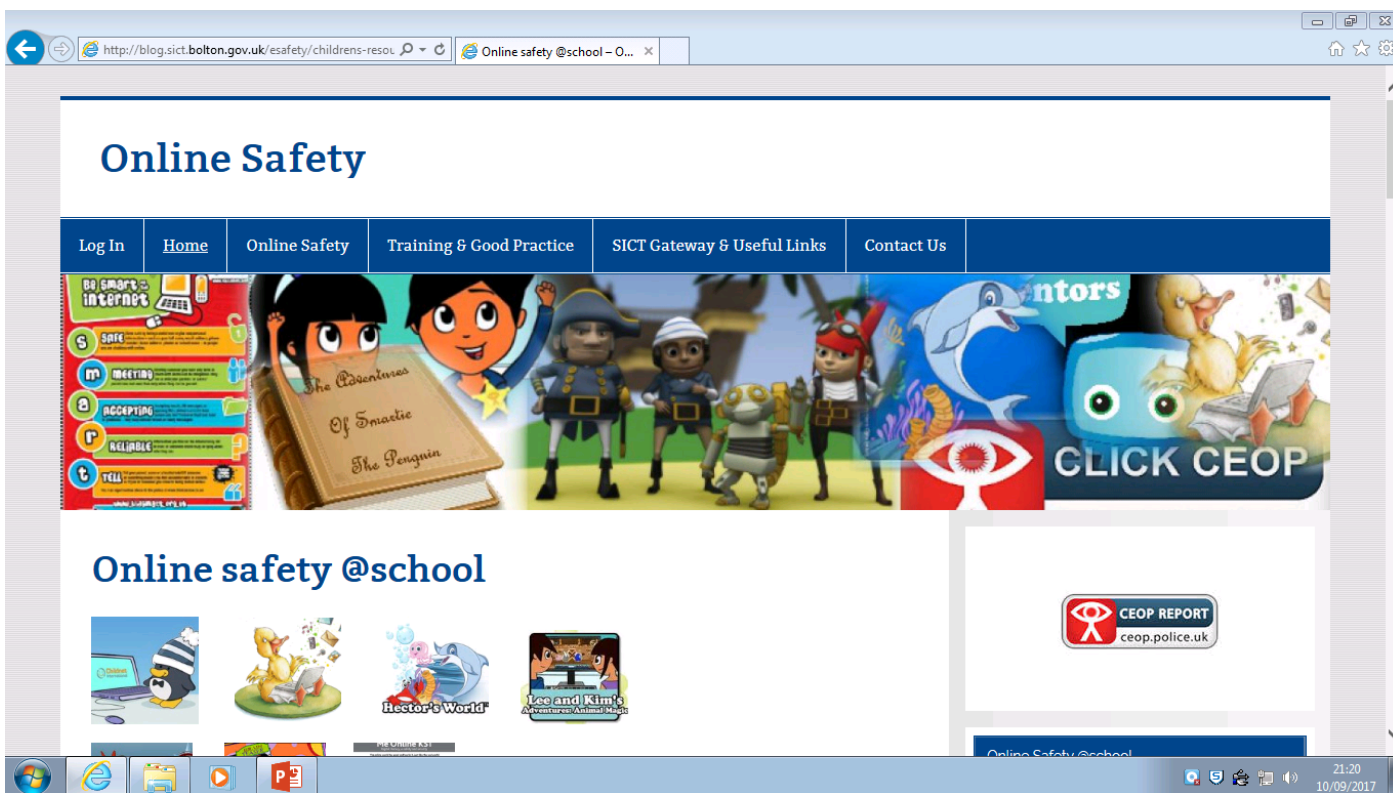
Sports and yoga

- **Spring 1**

Drawing

Supporting your child at home

- Online safety



Supporting your child at home

- Use the school website for information

Sign and return the acceptable user agreement which has been sent home with your child.

Building independence

Three wishes from the teachers

- Names in everything
- Recognise and write their name
- Speaking to teachers at the end of the day



Any questions?