Diary Dates

Tuesday 18 March

Fishing wellbeing session

Wednesday 19 March

Parents Evening 1-5pm

Wednesday 26 March

Trust Poetry Competition

Thursday 27 March

Great Big School Clean 2025

'Not Just Hockney' Art Day

Tuesday 1 April

Year 1 visit to Ilkley Toy Museum

Wednesday 2 April

Author Visit—Kate Pankhurst

Thursday 3 April

Year 4 DT day—parents welcome

Friday 4 April

School closes for Easter holidays

7-11 April

Year 6 Easter SATs boosters

Tuesday 22 April

School re-opens after Easter holidays

Friday 25 April

Whole School Spanish Day

Tuesday 29 April

Year 4 visit to Gurdwara

w/c Monday 12 May

KS2 SATs week

Wednesday 11 June

Plumber Drummer assembly

Thursday 12 June

Year 5 visit to Murton Park

Tuesday 17 June

Year 3 visit to Cliffe Castle

Wednesday 18 June

Year 6 trip to Flamingo Land

Thursday 19 June

Whole School Art Day

Friday 4 July

Wear it Blue Day

Year 3 visit to Harlow Carr

Wednesday 9 July

Magic Show 6pm

Monday 21 July

School closes for summer holidays



Worth Valley Primary School NEWSLETTER

14 March 2025

Headteacher's Message



At Worth Valley Primary School, we believe that every curriculum subject plays a vital role in providing our pupils with a well-rounded education. Last week, we had a fantastic time celebrating Science Week, where the children carried out exciting experiments and deepened their curiosity about the world around them. Key Stage 2 have also shown great teamwork and determination while representing the school in several sporting events (photos on p.3) and we are incredibly proud of their efforts and sportsmanship.

Additionally, our Year 6 pupils recently enjoyed an inspiring visit to Maths City, where they engaged with maths in a hands-on and interactive way; reinforcing their problem-solving skills and love for learning.

We have more exciting events on the horizon, including a whole school Spanish Day to celebrate culture and language, a Year 1 history trip to Ilkley Toy Museum and DT cooking sessions with Year 4 pupils and their parents, which will give children the opportunity to develop practical skills and enjoy working alongside their families. We are also looking forward to a poetry competition and a special visit from Kate Pankhurst, children's author, which will further inspire a love for reading and writing.

Furthermore, we are currently finalising plans for an upcoming arts project to celebrate Bradford's City of Culture 2025 status. This will give our pupils a chance to express their creativity and develop new skills. These experiences highlight the importance of a broad and balanced curriculum, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to shine and discover their passions. Exciting weeks ahead!

Last Friday we said goodbye (for now!) and best wishes to Mrs Spensley as she begins her maternity leave.

Ms McMullen and Mrs Halifax will continue to teach Year 5 for the remainder of the academic year.

Worth Valley Primary School

Attendance

Attendance data for the last 3 weeks is as follows:

w/c 24.2.25	
Reception	94.0%
Year 1	96.2%
Year 2	96.5%
Year 3	92.1%
Year 4	97.7%
Year 5	97.2%
Year 6	98.5%
Butterfly Room	86.9%

w/c 3.3.25	
Reception	93.6%
Year 1	92.4%
Year 2	91.9%
Year 3	90.3%
Year 4	93.5%
Year 5	81.2%
Year 6	81.9%
Butterfly Room	94.3%

w/c 10.3.25	
Reception	94.4%
Year 1	88.9%
Year 2	75.2%
Year 3	82.7%
Year 4	83.9%
Year 5	89.5%
Year 6	90.3%
Butterfly Room	88.6%

Please can I ask parents and carers to NOT collect your child early from the school office unless in exceptional circumstances. Whilst I do appreciate that you may have a good reason to do this, it puts a huge strain on our staff. We are unable to let children walk to the office on their own and so we have to release a member of staff to accompany the child. As all staff are busy teaching or supporting children at this time, it does mean that this is interrupted, as well as the child's learning and education.



Parking

Please park carefully and considerately on Bracken Bank Crescent and avoid parking on the pavement—our children and families need to be able to travel to and from school safely.

We also have an increasing number of pupils cycling to and from school, which is great to see.

PE and Kickboxing

Though we have a small number of spare kits in school, there are still several children who do not bring their PE kit to school regularly. **Please ensure your child brings the correct kit to school on Mondays and Fridays.**

Please also note that PE is a compulsory curriculum subject. If your child is unable to participate in PE for any reason, please inform us in writing or phone school.



Sports Events

Participating in regular physical activity is crucial for our physical and mental health.

It is important to us all ALL pupils have the opportunity to experience teamwork and success, balancing competitive events with inclusive activities accessible for all.

Last week, a team of Year 5 and 6 pupils represented school in an Under 11 Sports Hall Athletics tournament at Carlton Keighley.









In addition, a team of Key Stage 2 pupils took part in a Kurling competition, competing against several other teams from local schools.
As always, all pupils were fantastic ambassadors for school and worked together to encourage and support each other.













On Friday 7th March, girls in years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the ***Biggest Ever Football Session*** led by the FA, UEFA and Barclays. Alongside over 300,000 girls and nearly 5,000 schools, the girls had an incredible time celebrating girls' football and everything it represents **#LetGirlsPlay.**

Of course, the boys also enjoyed their own intra-school competition! Thanks to Brad and Mr McNulty for organising and leading both events.