Valley View Voice

Friday 26th June 2026

This week has been quite exceptional. Throughout the many years I have worked in schools, I have often faced tricky decisions about the weather, usually relating to snow, ice or heavy rain. It has certainly not been focused on the impact of extreme heat.

At Valley View, we are very fortunate to have air conditioning units in almost every room, and this has made the week much more bearable. With this in mind, please can I insist that children should not bring battery operated fans into school. As you may have heard in the news, some schools have been forced to close, and I understand that others locally have had to acquire fans. I have even heard – although I am not sure how accurate this is – of one school where children had trays of water under their desks to help keep cool.

I know that many staff have found it difficult to stay cool at home and to sleep at night, and I am sure this will be the same for many children and families too.

As we head into the weekend, for those seeking some relief from the heat near water, please do take care around open water. I hope that the temperatures begin to cool and that everyone is able to get some well deserved rest, ready for the week ahead.

Mrs Claire Griffiths, Headteacher

Thank you!

The Power of Words really is something very special, and this week we have received many positive comments from both families and visitors to the school.

Our staff team works incredibly hard to ensure that every child has the opportunity to shine whilst at Valley View. I would love to say that we get everything right all of the time, but of course we don't. What matters is that we continue to reflect, learn and strive to make Valley View even better. That said, the kind and encouraging feedback we have received reminds us that we are getting so much right - and that is incredibly uplifting. Thank you.

PTA Fathers' Day Stall

Thank you to the members of the PTA who arranged the Fathers' Day gifts for last week's sale and also to those who bought one! We have raised nearly £400 for school. Hopefully everyone enjoyed their gifts. Special thanks also go to Greggs who donated the chocolate muffins!

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all the families who bought books from the Scholastic book fair this week, despite the heat! Thanks to the amount sold Ms Fotheringhame will have nearly £300 to spend on new books for school! Thank you so much!

School Texts

We have had some families this week who have realised they are not receiving every text, despite our system showing that the message has been delivered. Please could we ask families to download the Teachers2Parents app as this is the most secure way for text messages to be delivered. We hope this will solve the problem for families who are not receiving them. You can download the app here.

Bramley Olympics

On Tuesday our Olympic team competed against our family of schools at the John Charles Centre for Sport. They had an amazing time and represented the school brilliantly. Every child gave their absolute best. The races were very exciting and we had some fantastic performances. We are delighted we won the event and keep the trophy for the 11th year in a row! Well done to everybody involved, we are so proud of all of you!

Hot Weather

Hopefully we will have some slightly cooler weather next week. But just in case, please can we remind families to send children to school wearing sun cream, with a hat and a water bottle. Children in Nursery do not need a water bottle they have their own arrangements for drinking water.

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Diary Dates

July

Wed 1st	Year 2 trip to Filey
Thurs 2nd	Year 3 trip to Robin Hole
Wed 8th	Year 6 performance 1.30pm & 6.00pm
Thurs 9th	Sports Day
Nursery	8.45am-9.30am
Year 5&6	9.40am-10.50am
Rec - Y2	11.00am-12.10am
Year 3&4	1.30pm-2.40pm
Wed 15th	Sharing Our Learning 1.30pm
Thurs 16th	Star of the Year Assembly Year 6 BBQ 3.15pm
Fri 17th	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Mon 20th	Training Day school closed to pupils
Tues 21st	Training Day school closed to pupils

Sept 2026

Tues 1st	Training Day school closed to pupils
Wed 2nd	Training Day school closed to pupils

Training Days 2026 - 2027

Tuesday 1st Sept 2026
Wednesday 2nd Sept 2026
Monday 19th Oct 2026
Friday 12th Feb 2027
Thursday 22nd Jul 2027

Letters sent out this week Just in case anyone has missed them, these letters were sent to families within the last couple of weeks.

Hot Weather

Change to FSM

Year 4 Class Changes (Year 4 only)

Robin Hole date change (Year 3 families only)

Star of the Week

Aire Class: Lucas Wood Lucas has impressed us with his independence this week. He has been mark making, creating his own models and writing his name by himself. Keep working hard!

Arram Class: Phoebe Spencer Phoebe is a very independent girl who gets involved in class activities. She is always looking out for her friends. This week she has worked hard on her writing, taking on feedback and improving her work. Well done Phoebe!

Calder Class: Edas Ramanauskas Edas is always sensible and always does the right thing. He is such a fantastic role model, not only for the children in his class but for all of the children in school. He always puts his best foot forward and works hard all the time. We are so proud of you, Edas! Well done!

Crimple Class: Oakley Indriks-Clay Oakley has made some excellent contributions in class this week. In writing, we have been learning about prefixes and suffixes. Oakley has really impressed us by sharing ideas that include these and has added them into his writing. Not only that, he has also shown resilience. He kept on going even when activities have been challenging. Well done, Oakley!

Deepdale Class: Ruby Stewart We are incredibly fortunate to have Ruby as a member of our class and school community. She is a wonderful role model, consistently demonstrating a positive attitude to everything she does. Ruby's writing is always a pleasure to read, as she skillfully applies taught techniques to produce work of the highest standard. We are sure Ruby will be an author when she is older! Well done, Ruby!

Deepdale Class: Oliver Pugh Oliver has been a true maths superstar, consistently demonstrating resilience, determination, and an excellent growth mindset. He embraces challenging problems with confidence and a positive attitude, always giving his best effort. Oliver's hard work and perseverance have led to fantastic progress, and he has made everyone incredibly proud. Keep up the outstanding work, Oliver!

Derwent Class: Archie Spink Archie has a wonderful attitude to his learning and is also a real team player. This week, Archie very kindly (and excitedly!) stepped in at the last minute and entered the Bramley Olympics. His enthusiasm and efforts contributed to Valley View's triumph!

Hebble Class: Poppy Cunningham Poppy has impressed us with her love of learning in maths this week. She has applied herself with enthusiasm and made valuable contributions to class discussions. We are incredibly proud of the progress she is making and the confidence she is showing in her learning. We can't wait to see her continue to blossom and achieve even more. Well done, Poppy!

Humber Class: Betsy Proctor Betsy is a wonderfully kind and caring member of the class. She always works hard and wants to do her best, she gives 100% to everything she does and is a role model to the class. Well done Betsy and always continue with your positive and hardworking attitude.

Limley Class: George McCarthy George has been a superstar this week! He has worked incredibly hard to produce a twisted fairy tale, which has included all the knowledge we have learned this year. It was an absolute delight to read from start to finish and it made staff incredibly proud!

Loxley Class: Angela Stojkova Angela has impressed us this week with her contributions to lessons. In every subject this week from maths to PE she has shown great enthusiasm and determination to be successful. Well done Angela, we are really proud of you.

Ribble Class: Eva Benson Eva has a fantastic attitude towards all her learning. We have been very impressed with her determination and hard work to learn all her tables! She has also written a fantastic diary entry in her writing lessons. She always wants to make her work better and sets herself high standards! Well done Eva!

Ryburn Class: Lewis Chew This week Lewis has tried really hard in our writing lessons; he has made excellent progress over the year with both his handwriting and the content of his work. We are so proud of you Lewis and your hard work and perseverance has definitely paid off. Well done!

Washburn Class: Bailey Allen Bailey has been an absolute superstar this week. He attended the Bramley Olympics event and despite never competing for school in a running event before, he ran in a race against other Bramley schools and won! Well done Bailey!

Wenning Class: Sofija Rozenfelde Sofija is an absolute pleasure to teach. In every lesson, she always gives 100% effort and she consistently produces outstanding work. Sofija always wants to challenge herself and improve; she is more than ready to begin her journey at high school. She has a great sense of humour and has super manners. Sofija will missed by all the Year 6 staff - we wish her every success for the future!