

**Our stars for last week...**

Bright Sparks	<b>Reece</b> for showing for self-belief.
Year 1	<b>Jacob</b> for showing pride in your writing this week. Amazing writing in phonics and your English lessons.
Year 2	<b>Aallayah</b> for always persevering, being respectful and showing pride in all you do!
Year 3	<b>Callum</b> for showing all of the values of Doxey Primary School. You are respectful, show pride in all that you do and have respect for others.
Year 4	<b>Kacper</b> for always showing respect and be ready to learn.
Year 5	<b>Nya</b> for showing all of our Doxey Values in class and around school. Nya is a super role model for others.
Year 6	<b>Ethan</b> for having pride in your presentation and extended writing.

## SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS FOR STAFF TRAINING MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER.

**YEAR 5 and YEAR 6 Parent Workshop  
Wednesday 28th September 8.45am  
In the School Hall.**

Pupils in Y5 and Y6 would like to invite their parents to a workshop where they are keen for you to see a slide-show of class activities so far this half term. Mrs Layton and Mrs Newell will also explain multiplication facts and will share information how children can learn multiplication facts quicker at home. We look forward to seeing you!

**HARVEST AT THE CHURCH  
Friday 7th October 2pm**

The children will be walking to church to celebrate Harvest Festival. Parents are welcome to attend the service at 2pm or accompany the children walking to church departing from school at 1.45pm. It would be lovely if each child could bring a donation of food to the service. All donations will be sent to House of Bread. The charity House of Bread provides a home cooked meal twice a week, fresh clothing, food bags and toiletries to anyone in need in Stafford. They have requested that donations are non-perishable foods, eg. Tinned meats, soup, vegetables, cereals and toiletries including, shower gels, body sprays and soaps, toothpaste, toothbrushes. Refreshments will be served after the service.

**NURSERY WOULD LIKE ANY GOOD QUALITY WICKER BASKETS, PICNIC BASKETS OR BOXES WHICH YOU MAY HAVE SPARE AT HOME.**

**Parent Workshops:** Thank you to all parents who attended Wednesday Parent Workshops. In addition to seeing slideshows of their children learning in class, teachers have explained phonics and ways to teach multiplication facts. At both workshops parents were given packs of activities to share with their children at home.

**HARVEST LUNCH  
Thursday 22nd September**

The kitchen will be providing a themed lunch menu for Harvest. There is no need to pre-book.

**Menu**

**Choose a main meal**

*Mince Beef & Onion Pie  
Harvest Vegetable Pie*

On the side

*Mashed Potatoes  
Cabbage and Carrots*

For dessert

*Dorset Apple Cake and Custard or  
Homemade Traybake, Yoghurt or Autumn Fruit Platter.*

Meals are £2.15 per child unless your child receives free school meals or universal free school meals (Rec – Yr2)

**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

The photographer was in school yesterday for individual portraits. Proofs need to be returned to school by:

**MONDAY 3rd OCTOBER.**

**HEAD BOY AND GIRL AND TEAM CAPTAINS/VICE CAPTAINS**

We are delighted to announce Reece Sutherland and Lola Bradfield have been selected as head boy and head girl. The following children have been elected as team captains and vice captains.

<b>Wedgwood:</b>	<i>House Captain – Phoebe Ryan</i>	<i>Vice-Captain – Tommy Sutton</i>
<b>Talbot:</b>	<i>House Captain – Ellie-Mae Tolley</i>	<i>Vice-Captain – Dwayne Nicholls</i>
<b>Anson:</b>	<i>House Captain – Leon Corcoran</i>	<i>Vice-Captain – Alex Williams</i>
<b>Bostock:</b>	<i>House Captain – Alfie Mantle</i>	<i>Vice-Captain – Shay Molloy</i>

**SWIMMING YEAR 4 ONLY  
EVERY WEDNESDAY – STARTING THIS WEEK**

Today children from Yr4 are attending swimming lessons at the local leisure centre. The aim of the sessions is water safety. Please ensure all swimming kits are in school. Girls will be required to wear swimming hats, these can be purchased from the school office for £1.00. Due to safety reasons **goggles are NOT PERMITTED**, however we are aware there are special circumstances for some children. Please speak to the class teacher if you have any queries.

**MORNING PLAYGROUND**

Due to safety reason we have changed our morning procedures in line with other local primary schools.

The school gates will be opened by duty staff at approximately 8.45am.

**Messages can be passed to the class teacher via duty staff at the school gate.**

**Once the gates are opened, children only will be able to come onto the playground.**

Afternoon collection will stay the same, giving the opportunity for staff and parents to communicate about their children.

**SPARKLES PRE-SCHOOL &  
EXTENDED SCHOOL CARE**

Sparkles extended school care opens 5 days a week starting with a Breakfast Club from 7.45am and closes with an afterschool club until 5.45pm. There are a range of sessions at varying prices.

***For more information, please contact the school office - Tel 01785 895664***

**Sparkles Pre-School now has places available for two and three year olds. You may be eligible for up to 15 hours FREE childcare as part of Early Years funded places offered via Staffordshire County Council**

***For more information, please contact Mrs Knott  
Tel 01785 356104***

**MESSY CHURCH**

NEXT SESSIONS Friday 14th October and Friday 11th November. Messy Church runs once a month in the school hall. If your child enjoys, craft activities, stories, fun and food, then 'Messy Church' is for you and all your family. The sessions are free of charge from 3.15pm – 4.30pm.

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.**

**Dates for your Diary...**

**Mon 26.09.16 School closed – Staff Training Day**

Wed 28.09.16 Year 5 & 6 Parent Workshop

Wed 05.10.16 Nur & Rec Parent Workshop

Fri 07.10.16 Harvest at the Church

Tue 18.10.16 Parent Consultation Evening 5 – 7pm

Wed 19.10.16 Parent Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 5pm

Fri 21.10.16 Keystings Production.

**YOUNG VOICES Y5 and Y6  
Friday 27th January 2017**

Once again Doxey School will be performing in the fabulous Young Voices Concert at the Genting Arena, Birmingham in January 2017. Preparation for the concert does involve in-school and out-of-school rehearsals. Letters were distributed to all Year 5 and Year 6 children last week.

**SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**We are very fortunate to have a two lovely libraries in school. Year 6 pupils would like to encourage all children using the library to be respectful and leave them neat and tidy.**