

Our stars for last week...

Bright Sparks	<b>Carmen</b> for always showing curiosity during whole class teaching. Carmen is always focused like "Jock the Dog".
Year 1	<b>Jacob</b> for showing self-belief in his maths. Well done Jacob for writing his own success criteria.
Year 2	<b>Justin</b> for always persevering with his work, showing pride with his presentation and handwriting and being super respectful.
Year 3	<b>Andrew</b> for his keenness and perseverance with his handwriting.
Year 4	<b>Keiira</b> for always showing the Doxey Values, well done!
Year 5	<b>Aaron</b> for persevering in Maths and Literacy. Aaron always tries his best.
Year 6	<b>Paige</b> for having pride in all her work. Paige is a fantastic role model.

**Nursery and Reception Parent Workshop  
Wednesday 5th October 8.45am  
In the School Hall.**

Children in Nursery and Reception class 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. This will be followed by a phonics workshop led by Mrs Cliffe.  
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.

**Y5 & Y6 Parent Workshop**

It was fantastic to see twelve parents at the Y5/6 parent workshop practising multiplication tables with their children. The government's new national curriculum expects ALL children to be fluent in tables up to 12 x 12. The children are taught these tables at school but need to practise at home.

Every workshop starts with recent photographs taken in class followed with information about your child's learning in school. The next Y5/6 workshop will focus on SATs which year 6 children will be sitting in May 2017.

We hope to see many more parents joining our workshops.

**BE VIGILANT**

Be vigilant. Please talk to your children about safety. There has been a report of unusual behaviour by a van in the locality, stopping near to pupils walking home. Please remind your children of the dangers of approaching any vehicle and speaking to people they don't know well.

**RECEPTION - Talk Homework**

Last week in class we were learning and acting out the story of the "Three Little Pigs". Please retell the story with your child!

**YEAR 6 SATs BOOSTER CLUB**

**ALL YEAR Y6 CHILDREN MUST BE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**

**Every Tuesday From 18<sup>th</sup> October at 8am.**

Mrs Newell will be running a SATs booster club where all areas of learning will be covered. All Yr6 children should be encouraged to attend and they are welcome to bring snacks.

Please fill in the slip below and return to school if your child will be attending.

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YR6 SATs Booster Club

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

My child will be attending SATs Booster Club

My Child will not be attending SATs Booster Club because

\_\_\_\_\_

Sign.....Parent/Carer

### **Nursery – Talk Homework**

Last week our story book focus was “Little Red Riding Hood”. Talk to your child about all the characters in the story. Ask your child who is their favourite character and why. Encourage your child to answer using the word ‘because’.

### **Nursery Rhyme of the week**

#### **Incy Wincy Spider**

Please practise at home with your child and we look forward to seeing you all on Friday at 11.40am for our performance.

Thank you for your continuing support  
Mrs Clarke and Mrs Monaghan.

### **YEAR 1 & 2 Trip to Sainsbury’s Thursday 6th October 2016**

To coincide with the current IPC topic “A Day in the Life” children in Year 1 and 2 will be visiting Sainsbury’s on Thursday morning. During the visit they will be shown different areas of the store and the different jobs people do. There is no cost involved, this trip is completely free. The children will be walking to the store so please make sure your child is wearing weather appropriate clothing, and will return back in time for lunch. If there are any volunteers that could help escort the children to Sainsbury’s please speak to the class teachers.

### **YEAR 5 & 6 ANCIENT HIGH HOUSE TRIP Tuesday 11th October 2016**

To coincide with the current IPC topic “Time Tunnels” children in Year 5 and 6 will be visiting the Ancient High House in Stafford. A full itinerary of the day and all other details will accompany this Newsletter. To help cover the cost we have requested a £4.00 contribution from parents. However, if we do not receive enough parental contributions this trip maybe cancelled.

### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

A reminder that the new school lunch menu started today. Last week we sent a form home for parents to pre-order sandwiches for children who would prefer a school prepared packed lunch. Anyone who has a child that would like to take up this offer, must return the form no later than Monday 17th October. If you did not receive a form, they are available from the school office.

### **Dates for your Diary...**

Wed 05.10.16	Nur & Rec Parent Workshop
Thur 06.10.16	Year 1 & 2 visit Sainsbury’s
Thur 06.10.16	Italian Themed Lunch
Fri 07.10.16	Harvest at the Church
Thur 11.10.16	Year 5 & 6 visit Ancient High House
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.

### **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**

### **YOUNG VOICES Y5 and Y6**

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 starts this week. Mrs Nickolls will be leading practise sessions which start tomorrow 3.15pm and finishing at 4.15pm. All children attending must have returned a signed reply slip. If your child would like to attend, slips can be obtained from the school office.

### ***A Taste of Italy Thursday 6th October 2016***

The school kitchen will be cooking an Italian themed lunch on the above date, there is no need to pre-book.

#### ***Menu***

*Choose a main meal...*

Cheese & Tomato Margherita Pizza

Or

Traditional Italian Macaroni Cheese

*On the side...*

Baked Potato Wedges

Mama’s Roasted Vegetable Medley

Mediterranean Mixed Salad

*For dessert...*

Italian Marble Cake with Mixed Berries & Custard

Cooks Homemade Tray Bake

Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

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

### **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.