

# In Reception Class...

Last week we focused on the book 'Supertato' and we wrote wanted posters and created traps so we could capture 'Evil Pea' who had tried to take over our classroom. In our maths we learned one more and one less and continued to do estimation.



## Big Talk Homework Reception

disguise

mysterious

friendly



genius

heroic

challenge

Please could your child use the heroic words to describe 'Supertato' to you.



Doxey Primary School

# NEWSLETTER - MONDAY 21st January 2019

## Our Stars of the Week

Our Stars for week ending 21.01.19

Reception	<b>Hayden</b> for always keeping focus, showing respect and self-belief. He perseveres in all he does and is making super progress in his phonics.
Year 1	<b>Amarrii</b> for working very hard in guided reading all week. He has shown self-belief, Miss Callen is very proud of you.
Year 2	<b>Alex</b> for working so hard in English. His writing has improved so much and his attitude to learning has been fantastic.
Year 3	<b>Daniel</b> for showing pride in his writing. He is working so hard and persevering in English. Keep it up!
Year 4	<b>Aallayah</b> for showing respect and for being focused and ready to learn in all lessons. Well done!
Year 5	<b>Ella</b> for her increased confidence in Maths and showing pride in her written work. Well done Ella!
Year 6	<b>Sasha</b> for always persevering in lessons and trying your best. Well done.

### EXOTIC ZOO VISIT Y1 & Y2 Thursday 24th January

To coincide with Year 1 and 2 topic "A Walk on the Wildside" Miss Callen has arranged a visit from the Exotic Zoo. The animal experts will arrive in school on the morning of Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January, with an array of animals you would typically find in the rainforest. It's a very hands on experience and the children will be able to get a close look at the animals. The experts will explain to the children about the animals and their habitats. The zoo experts plan to bring tree frogs, mossy frogs, a giant millipede, possibly a snake and a crocodile (if she is in a good mood!). There will also be three surprise animals.

The cost for the Exotic Zoo visit is £260.00 / 52 children = £5.09 per child. The creative curriculum fund will subsidise the visit by £108.68. Therefore, for your child to take part in the event, a payment of £3.00 is requested either in cash or cheque. (Cheques can be made payable to Staffordshire County Council.)

Can you please return the permission slips along with your payment by Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

### MONDAY 25th FEBRUARY—INSET DAY (Staff Training)

SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

### NURSERY & RECEPTION CLASS—Maths Open Morning

Nursery Children—Tuesday 12th February from 9am -10am  
Reception Children—Wednesday 13th February from 9am - 10am

Come and join your child for a fun filled interactive maths session. All maths activities are based around your child's learning at school. If you will be attending, please inform Mrs Branson and Mrs Monaghan.



### HEAD LICE

We have had a few cases of head lice detected through the school. Please check your child and other members of your family tonight and treat if necessary.

For more information on head lice and treatment please visit:

<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/head-lice.html>

**PLEASE NOTE: Children do not need to be kept off school for treatment of head lice as it can take place overnight. Therefore any absence due to the treatment of head lice will be unauthorised.**

### Year 1 & 2 R.E Workshops

Children in Year 1 & 2 will be taking part in R.E Workshops on Thursday 14th February. The workshops will both be set up in the school.

#### Workshop 1—Exploring Christianity

The workshop begins with an overview of Christianity. Pupils will be split into smaller groups and visit zoned areas that explore key aspects of Christianity through interactive displays and Q & A time.

#### Workshop 2—Islam Exhibition

Children will explore each of the 5 Pillars by examining artefacts, trying different activities and completing a worksheet using the information displayed. The exhibition ends with a Q & A time and further explanation of some of the beliefs and rituals.

### Y3 & Y4 Netball and Y5 & Y6 Football—EVERY TUESDAY

Starting this week, Mrs Cliffe and Mr Gee will be running a Netball & Football Club. The club will start at the end of the school day until 4.30pm. There is no charge but children will need a signed permission slip to take part, forms can be collected from the school office.

### NURSERY CLASS—SEPTEMBER 2019

WAS YOUR CHILD BORN BETWEEN 1st SEPTEMBER 2015 & 31st AUGUST 2016

If the answer is YES, you may wish to apply for your child to join our maintained nursery class from September 2019

The deadline to register an interest is Tuesday 5th March 2019.

Forms can be collected from the School Office.

### Y6 Bikeability Fix & Ride

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2019** Year 6 children will be participating in **Bikeability Fix and RIDE**. This is a national scheme funded by the Department for Transport and provided through Staffordshire County Council **FREE of Charge**.

**Bikeability Fix** is a basic bicycle maintenance session taught by qualified competent mechanics. Every student will have the opportunity to work on their own bike preferably or one provided by CTL (adjusting saddles, repairing punctures, adjusting brakes and learning about gears) becoming self-reliant and enabling a greater sense of freedom.

**Bikeability Ride** is part of a national scheme to progress student's skills riding safely on their local roads. We also hope Bikeability Ride will encourage pupils to attend Level 3 either in Year 7 with secondary school support or through direct bookings with Cyclist Training Ltd.

**Why should my child take part in Bikeability Fix and Ride?** For greater independence; practical life skills; active health; sustainability; fun.

PERMISSION SLIPS NEED TO BE RETURNED BY WEDNESDAY 23rd JANUARY.

### SNOW PROCEDURE

Here is a quick reminder of our winter weather procedure. To check if the school is closed you can do the following;

- \* Visit [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures) IF WE DO NOT APPEAR ON THE LIST WE ARE OPEN.
- \* BBC Radio Stoke will broadcast closures 94.6FM, 104.1FM or DAB or [www.bbc.co.uk/stoke/radiostoke](http://www.bbc.co.uk/stoke/radiostoke)
- \* Notices will be put on both school gates on Doxey Road and Marsland Road.
- \* School web site will be updated [www.doxeyprimary.co.uk](http://www.doxeyprimary.co.uk)
- \* Text and E-mail service may be used at short notice



If you like craft activities, stories, fun and food, then **Messy Church** is for you and your family! (children must be accompanied by an adult).

Messy Church meets in the school hall, once a month, 3.15pm—4.30pm, free of charge!

The next sessions are:

- Friday 25th January
- Friday 23rd March
- Friday 17th May
- Friday 15th June

The Messy Church team look forward to seeing you!



### CLASS WITH THE BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 2 — 98.5%

Here's how the other classes performed...

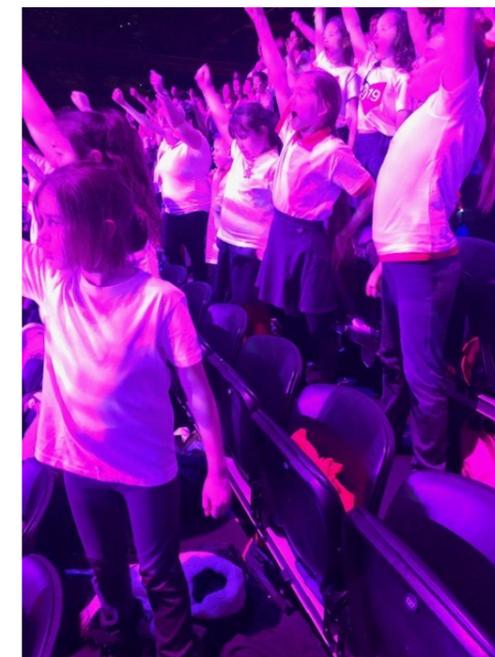
Reception Class - 93.3%, Year 1—96%, Year 3 — 97.2%,  
Year 4 — 97.4%, Year 5— 93.8% and Year 6— 98.2%

### Dates for your diaries...

Thursday	24th January	Year 1 & Year 2— Exotic Zoo Experience
Friday	25th January	Messy Church
Thursday	7th February	Year 6 Bikeability Fix and Ride
Friday	8th February	PTFA School Disco—Arrangements TBC
Tuesday	12th February	Maths Open Morning—Nursery Children at 9am
Wednesday	13th February	Maths Open Morning—Reception Class at 9am
Thursday	14th February	Year 1 & Year 2 R.E Workshops
Thursday	14th February	Reception & Y6 Heights and Weights
Monday—Friday	18th—22nd February	School Closed—Half Term
Monday	25th February	School closed to Pupils—Inset Day.

# Young Voices In Pictures

The children had a wonderful time at the “Young Voices” concert in Birmingham on Friday. All the children were extremely well behaved and were a credit to Doxey School. Our choir sang and danced throughout the lengthy rehearsal and were energetic throughout the performance. Below are pictures from the trip. We look forward to doing it all again next year.



### DOXEY PRIMARY SCHOOL CHOIR

Following on from the success of Young Voices, Mrs Nickolls would like to maintain a school choir. Choir practise will be open to children in KS2 (Y3,4,5 & 6) every Wednesday from 30th January 3.15pm—4pm. We look forward to hearing our choir sing very soon. A parental consent letter will be sent home with all children over the next few days.

