

# The Doxey Digest



Friday 2nd February 2024



This week Dance Club had an amazing afternoon taking part in a workshop with a professional dance teacher (Claire from Dance Fusion). They learned a Musical Theatre Dance to 'I Want It Now' from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. For this, they took on the role of Veronica Salt; everyone loved getting into character by using their facial expressions. They cannot wait to perform on stage at the Gatehouse in April.



In our Maths learning this week, Year 5 have been learning to divide numbers up to 4 digits using place value resources.

## Behaviour In School

Our Chair and Vice-Chair of Governors visited school this week. They were very impressed with the behaviour of the children around the school. We also had a dance teacher visit, she said the children she worked with were 'a credit to the school'.

## Message from the Head

We are coming up to half way through the year and I am so very proud of how far we have come as a school since I have been here. The children have been amazing with the new behaviour system and expectations and responding to the new teaching and learning strategies we have put in place.

Nursery children have become 'Twitchers' this week and took part in the Big Garden Bird Watch. They made binoculars and bird cakes for the Nursery outside area. We have had lots of bird visitors this week.



## Sensory Circuits

Sensory circuits are a carefully planned series of physical activities which children complete every day. We know that for some children sensory circuits are vital in helping them to engage effectively with the day ahead and to participate fully in learning. We have recently built our own sensory circuit and we are already noticing that the children taking part are less fidgety in the classroom, concentrating for longer periods of time and are beginning to be better at regulating their behaviour. And most importantly they are really enjoying doing sensory circuits twice a day.



## Notices

A reminder that dogs are not allowed on school site.

Please keep encouraging your child to do their homework and read every night. We can see the difference this is making already.

## Dates

12/2/24— 16/2/24	Half Term Holiday
22/2/24	PTFA Disco
26/2/24	Stafford Gotta Sing (Choir)
7/3/24	World Book Day
19/3/24 20/3/24	Parent's Evening
25/3/24— 5/4/24	Easter Holidays
22/4/24	Stafford Gotta Dance

## Attendance

A reminder to please leave a message on our answer machine before 9.30am for any pupil absences.

Class percentages:

Y1M : 94%      Y1C: 88%  
Y2: 91%      Y3: 91%  
Y4: 93%      Y5: 89%  
Y6: 93%