

Doxey Digest

Your weekly newsletter from the pupils and staff at Doxey Academy: Friday 12th December 2025



Children in Year 1 have been exploring moving parts in cards as part of their Design & Technology learning. They investigated how different mechanisms work and talked about what makes them move. The pupils then designed and created their own slider mechanisms. They were very proud of their finished cards and enjoyed showing them to others.



Year 2&3 have created colourful paper weaves in Design & Technology, building on their skills of cutting, selecting materials and joining them accurately. They linked this activity to History learning about the Great Fire of London, using strips of orange and yellow paper to represent the glowing flames that spread through the city in 1666.

Dream Big. Fly High!

This week we have been thinking carefully about how to be respectful when playing with playground equipment.



The children showed wonderful creativity and teamwork as they have used loose parts to build their own Santa's sleigh. Working together with crates, blocks, tyres, and fabric, they experimented with different ways to construct seats, harnesses, and even a space for the reindeer! It was lovely to see their imagination come to life as they negotiated roles, shared ideas, and adapted their designs. The sleigh became the centre of festive play, and we were so proud of how confidently and collaboratively the children brought their Christmas vision to life.



Early Explorers enjoyed a delightful morning writing letters to Santa and posting them. They behaved impeccably, making everyone proud and spreading festive cheer. We're confident Santa will visit them this year!

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTFA by attending the Christmas Fayre. We raised £581.55, which will go directly into enriching your child's school experience.

Party Day

The last day of term will be party day. Teachers are planning with their class what they would like to do on this day. It will be a non-school uniform day.

16/12/25 9:30am	EYFS—Nativity
17/12/25 2:45pm	Y6—Cadet Award Assembly
18/12/25 9:30am	Y4, Y5, Y6—Church Celebration
18/12/25	Christmas Dinner Day
19/12/25	Last day of term—Party Day
22/12/25— 2/1/26	Christmas Holiday
5/1/26	Back to school
7/1/26	Y5, Y6—Young Voices

Dates

Attendance

Be here every day!

Y1—92.0%	Y2&3—92.6%
Y3—95.7%	Y4—89.3%
Y5—87.5%	Y6—95.5%

Message from the Head

This week we have had some visitors from the Trust. They highlighted our strengths in Teaching and Learning and our Curriculum. We have very strong teaching across the school! I am very proud of all our amazing teachers.