

# Doxey Digest

Your weekly newsletter from the pupils and staff at Doxey Academy: Friday 6th March 2026



This week, we celebrated stories and the joy of reading as we marked World Book Day in style! The day was filled with excitement as pupils arrived in a fantastic array of creative costumes. Our Costume Parade was a highlight—children and staff showcased characters from classics, comics, and modern favourites. We were also treated to a surprise visitor... Stitch! The much-loved character spent time meeting pupils and bringing plenty of laughter. Throughout the day, classrooms buzzed with reading activities to inspire a love of books. Pupils enjoyed storytelling, creating artwork, and taking part in Book Cafés, where children “tasted” different genres and shared recommendations. It was a wonderful reminder of the power of reading to spark imagination and bring our school community together. Thank you to all pupils, families, and staff for making it such a memorable celebration!

## Dream Big. Fly High!

We’ve thought about one of our school rules—be respectful. We considered how we show respect in the way we talk to each other.



Year 1 children had a fantastic time at the Sudbury Toy Museum. They impressed staff with their knowledge of old toys and enjoyed exploring a range of historical objects. They were even trusted to handle some artefacts during their visit. A favourite moment was squeezing through an old fireplace to learn how chimney sweeps once worked in the past.



Our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils in The Island enjoyed a fantastic hands-on session this week as they worked together to build bird boxes. They carefully measured and sawed pieces

of wood, showing brilliant teamwork and responsibility throughout. The children will continue to work on this project over the next few weeks and are excited to see which local birds might choose them as their new home.

## Mrs Hemmings

From next week, Mrs Hemmings will be joining us as a Pastoral Senior Leader. She has been in this week where she has met lots of children, and you will see her on the playground next week.

## Uniform

Wearing correct uniform sets a learning mindset and prepares children for the day ahead.

## Dates

10/3/26	Y5, Y6—Grandparents Lunch
13/3/26 2:45pm	Y1—Mother’s Day Assembly
17/3/26	Y1, Y2&3 (Mrs Leighton’s class)—Grandparents Lunch
23/3/26	Y3 (Miss Plimmer’s class)—Stafford Library trip
24/3/26	Reception Class—Grandparents Lunch
24/03/2026 26/03/2026	Parents’ Evening
25/3/26	Y4—Gladstone Museum trip
25/3/26	PTFA Easter Bingo
27/3/26	Y2&3 (Mrs Leighton’s class)—Stafford Castle Trip
30/3/26— 10/4/26	Easter Holiday
13/4/26	Inset day—School closed for pupils
14/4/26	Y5—Lichfield Tudor Row trip
17/4/26	Reception—Wonderland trip
23/4/26	Performing Arts Club—Gotta Dance

## Attendance

Y1—93.1%	Y2&3—90.5%
Y3—95.5%	Y4—88.8%
Y5—86.6%	Y6—94.3%

## Message from the Head

I loved seeing all our fabulous book characters yesterday and I hope you all enjoyed the parade. Our first Grandparents Lunch of the year was also a huge success. We are looking forward to our next one!