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Friday 17th January

Dear parents

This week









This week the children have enjoyed taking part in Art week with a focus on printing. The children have looked at famous artists such as William Morris and more local artists as well. It has been lovely to see the engagement as well as the work the children have produced.

Year 5/6 had a visit from a Viking! They started by creating a timeline to show when the Vikings came to Britain. They then learnt lots of Viking facts and looked at some Viking weapons before carving their own rune stones. In the afternoon they had fun playing Viking games.



The children really enjoyed the experience, and our Viking visitor was extremely complimentary about our children's engagement and behaviour. Well

done to all involved. Thank you also for the contributions towards the cost.

We also received a visit this week from Johnathan Price, Staffordshire County Council's member for Education and SEND. He toured the school, and I had the opportunity to share with him the successes of the school but also the challenges we face within the constraints of the national formula for school funding. He was also complimentary about the work that we do.

Chinese New Year Theme Meal



We will be celebrating Chinese New Year on Wednesday 29th with a themed meal.

The menu is as follows:

Chicken noodles
Savoury Quorn rice
Prawn crackers
Jelly with fruit

Meals can be ordered on the day. They are free for pupils in Key stage 1 and cost £2.95 for Key stage 2 pupils. Payment should be made via ParentPay before next Wednesday.

Focus on Attendance



Last week's attendance was 97.7%

Well done to Mrs Cope and Mrs Slade-Nowell's class who had the highest attendance again at 99.6%.















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Award Winners

Well done to the children who were awarded 'Star of the Week' for their year groups:

Lewis (Rec), Ted (Year 1), Florence (Year 2), Matthew (Year 3), Emilia (Year 4), Rupert (Year 5) and Jack (Year 6).



Well done to Lottie (Year 5), Elsie J (Year 4) and Jack (Year 6) for being this week's highest earners in TTRockstars. Year 4 picked

up the trophy for the most points.



Well done to **Olivia**, **Ted in Year 1** for being the most successful

players in Numbots this week.

Tesco blue tokens





Our 2024 Year 6 leavers wanted to leave something behind when they left, we applied on their behalf to the Stronger Starts program to raise money for some

new equipment for the children to play with at break and lunchtimes. They came up with the idea, decided what they would like the money to go towards' and helped with the application.

We are delighted to share that our application for the Tesco Stronger Starts program has been accepted and put forward for voting in our local stores. We think it is a lovely idea and thank you for your support in helping them achieve to this.

Please vote for us when you are doing your shopping at:

Rugeley - Etching Hill Tesco Express

Rugeley - Superstore

Parent Evenings

This term's parents' evenings are taking place in school on Tuesday 4th February and Thursday 6th February between 4pm and 6.30pm in the school hall. To book your 10 minute appointment, you will need to use the ARBOR PARENT APP https://login.arbor.sc/ When you log in to Arbor, the Parents' Evening option is on the home page under "Guardian Consultations". Simply click on the Parents' Evening Date that you would like to attend and this takes you to the Parents' Evening page where you will be able to click into the meeting and book your time slot.

Please ensure when you book your appointment that you only leave the guardians' names ticked who are attending the appointment.

BOOKINGS FOR MEETINGS WILL OPEN THIS FRIDAY EVENING AT 6:00PM AND CLOSE ON MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY AT 9AM.

Due to parents evening Year 6 SATs Booster Club and Year4/Year 5 Art Club will be cancelled on Thursday 6th February.

Should you have any problems trying to book an appointment please message the school office on class dojo.















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Next Week

Tuesday

• Keyboard lessons
Led by Mrs Eccles (pm)

Wednesday

Year 2/3 Prayers

9:10 in Church – parents welcome

• Forest Schools Lessons CANCELLED

Year 4 – Led by Mrs Chalkley

Guitar lessons

Led by Mr Murphy (am)

Yr3/4 Dodgeball Club

Led by Progressive Sports 3:20 – 4:25pm

• Rec/Yr 1 Forest Schools Club CANCELLED

Led by Mrs Chalkley 3:20 – 4:30pm

Thursday

Violin lessons

Led by Ms Hayes (pm)

Yr6 SATs club

Led by Mrs Gully & Mrs Hargreaves 3:20 – 4:15pm

Yr4/5 Art club

Led by Mrs Slade-Nowell 3:20 – 4:20pm

Dates for the term

Please note day change for parents' evening.

Best wishes

Miss De Ste Croix (Headteacher)















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KEY DATES SPRING TERM 2025			
January		February	
w/c 13 th	Art Week	w/c 24 th	Design and Technology Week
		Monday 24 th	INSET DAY – school closed for children
Wednesday 15 th	Year 5/6 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)	Wednesday 26 th	Year 2/3 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)
Thursday 16 th	Y5/6 Viking Day (Details on Class Dojo)		Y4 Visit from Packington Farm (Details to follow)
	Winter Warmer Lunch (Details on Newsletter)	March	
Tuesday 21 st	SEND parents' Meetings (Letters sent 10.01.25)	Wednesday 5 th	Ash Wednesday service (Details to follow)
Wednesday 22 nd	Year 2/3 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)	Thursday 6 th	World Book Day (Details to follow)
	SEND parents' Meetings (Letters sent 10.01.25)	Wednesday 12 th	Year 4 Assembly (Details to follow)
Tuesday 28 th	Rec/Y1 visit to Sudbury (Letters sent home)	Tuesday 18 th	Whole Class Photos (Details to follow)
Wednesday 29 th	Chinese New Year Lunch (Details to follow)	Wednesday 19 th	Year 4 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)
Friday 31 st	Christingle Service (Details to follow)	Thursday 20 th	Dogs' Trust Workshops (Details to follow)
February		Wednesday 26 th	Year 5/6 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)
W/c 3 rd	Mental Health Week (Details to follow)		Mothers' Day Lunch (Details to follow)
Tuesday 4 th	Parents' evening (Details to follow)	Thursday 27 th	Mothers' Day Lunch (Details to follow)
Wednesday 5 th	Rec/Y1 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)	Fri 28 th	PTFA Mothers' Day event (Details to follow)
Thursday 6 th	Parents' evening (Details to follow)	April	
	Safer Internet Day (Details to follow)	2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th	Year 4 residential Trip (Details to follow)
Friday 7 th	PTFA Disco (Details to follow)	Wednesday 2 nd	Rec/Y1 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)
Wednesday 12 th	Year 4 Prayers (Parents welcome in Church – 9:10)	Thursday 10 th	PTFA Movie'n'munch (Details to follow)
Friday 14 th	Valentine's Meal (Details to follow)	Friday 11 th	Easter Service (Details to follow)
w/c 17 th	Half-Term	W/C 14 th	Easter Holidays









