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'Together we add more'

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**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023 - Letter Number: LVII**

**This Half Term's Value: Integrity**



**James 3. 17:** The wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

**Ephesians 4. 15:** Speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the Head that is, Christ.

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope this week has been a good one for you all... and hasn't it been wonderful to see the sun shining a little more brightly!

The Gardening Club have made the most of the good weather and been busy around the grounds; getting to work on some of those important jobs such as weeding, planting, pruning and tidying. It's wonderful to see the school's grounds coming to life with colour and wildlife!

Also busy this week have been the staff who have completed the fourth and final session of their training in the 'Solihull Approach'. Our school's approach to behaviour management and how we support our children to learn and develop socially has been a focus over the last 12 months. Underpinning our procedures is the value placed on the restorative and reparative stage that follows an incident and that it is vital when helping our pupils to learn correct behaviours. It is fair to say that the training has both developed the staff's professional knowledge as well as supported the content of our new Behaviour Policy which will be being shared with you next week (a little light reading for the half term perhaps!).

As ever we view parental involvement as vital, particularly when looking at key policies, such as behaviour so we will be consulting you and asking you for your input in the coming weeks. We would also like to widen the offer provided by the Parenting Team, that provided our staff training, out to parents and will therefore also shortly be sharing news of workshops to be held at the school. More to follow very soon.

In the meantime, I wish everyone a wonderful weekend!

Mrs S. Henney



## Attendance



This week's joint winners are Caradoc and Stiperstones – Well done!

<u>Class</u>	<u>This week ...</u>	<u>Previous week ....</u>
Lawley	99.13%	94.57%
Wrekin	97.37%	97.37%
Caradoc	100%	98.91%
Stiperstones	100%	100%
Whole School	99.10%	97.44%

## This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

**Ercall** – Wyn Bennett for doing well with toilet training! Well done Wyn!

**Lawley** - Edward for his attitude to learning this week both with written work and participation in class discussions. Keep up the good work Edward!

**Wrekin** – Wrekin class - For the great attitude they have shown during SAT's this week.

**Caradoc** - Max for using fronted adverbials brilliantly in your writing this week. Well done!!

**Stiperstones** – Mr Lockhart has chosen Freya this week having a great attitude towards her work and using her initiative to extend her own learning.

## Class News

### Ercall

We are enjoying the sunshine in nursery this week.

Together we have enjoyed number fun in the garden and a number hunt in the forest. We have also been learning positional language such as on, in, under, beneath and next to.

Our children have used their voices to create many different sounds during our phonics sessions. We have been learning the initial sound, 'qu' such as queen, quack and quick.

Following our topic, 'The whale who wanted more', we have been collecting and counting treasure from the treasure chest. We have also been sorting shells and pebbles according to their properties. In our topic books we have been making 'help' posters and cards for Humphrey the whale to help cheer him up.

In provision we have been exploring the 'five little speckled frogs' tuff tray, recognising numerals and matching number to the quantity of frogs.

We have enjoyed planting seeds and created a super Sea life tuff tray for the children to explore during child-initiated time.



**Best wishes, Mrs Butler, Mrs Arblaster, Miss Hughes, Mrs Jones and Miss Sanders.**

### Lawley

This week, Lawley Class have been using Van Gogh's starry night to explore colour. We developed our knowledge of colour mixing to make choices about how to make colours lighter or darker. We talked about what we liked/disliked about different Van Gogh paintings and all agreed that we preferred the brighter colouring, swirly blue skies and yellow cornfields from his later paintings to his earlier darker paintings created in the Netherlands. We were surprised that he only sold 1 painting while he was alive.

The Starry Night by Vincent Van Gogh, was painted in 1889.



Next week we will be creating our own compositions using mixed media of crayon and watercolour paints in the style on Van Gogh.



**Mrs Rawsthorne**





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### Wrekin

As part of our English unit this term, Wrekin have been thinking about ways they can help the environment, locally and in the wider world. They have started on plans to create a wildlife garden on a disused space of our playground and have also adopted a family of Ethiopian wolves, whose numbers are declining due to disease and loss of habitat from over-farming.

In D&T we are making fairground wheels. This week groups made their bases and axel stands and then set to work creating the wheel and attaching it all to the axel. Next week they will be creating the seating and making any adjustments to ensure their wheel rotates on a strong and sturdy base.

In History we have been learning about castles and how they have changed over time. They can identify many different types of castles now and even had a go at building their own castles and labelling the different features.

It was also competition week this week in Superstars. As we were the first school to take part in the competition, we will have to wait to find out how well we have done.

Well done to everyone for working so hard in their SAT's this week. You tackled each day with a positive attitude and should be very proud of what you have achieved.



**Miss Jones, Mrs Burns**



### **Caradoc**

What a fantastic day Caradoc had on Monday! To explore our topic of rainforests further, we visited Chester Zoo! The children saw a multitude of different animals and particularly enjoyed those they had learnt about in class such as the sloths and jaguar. We also particularly enjoyed the more hands-on experience of the bat cave and butterfly enclosure. Although it was a long day and we did lots of walking, we all really enjoyed ourselves.



**Miss McLaughlin**

### **Stiperstones**

we have enjoyed carrying out an investigation this week in science to find out how changing wires in an electrical circuit can affect a light bulb or buzzer. We thought carefully about how to make it a fair test to ensure that our results were valid. We used our knowledge of circuits to help us form a prediction about what we thought our results would show. We will then use our results to help us create an effective circuit to make our merry-go-rounds work in DT.

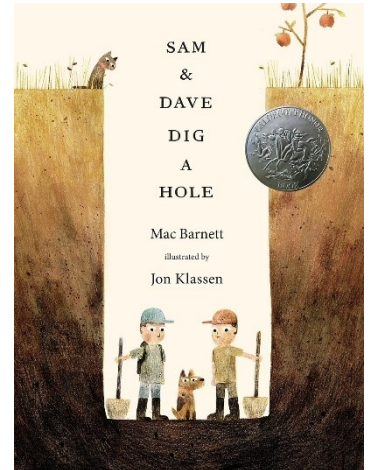
**Mrs Baillie and Mrs Jones**



## **other news ....**

### **Gardening Club**

This week we read the book *Sam and Dave Dig A Hole* by Mac Barnett. We talked about the story and its surrealism. Then we dug a big hole! We only got started and will carry on next week. It was fun discovering what lives in the ground around us too. The hole is for a rambling rose that we're planting by the oil tank. This will give beautiful blooms through the late spring into early summer as it's fragrance drifts along the breezes.



We also started some runner beans with seeds harvested from plants last year and talked about drying and keeping seeds for the next season.

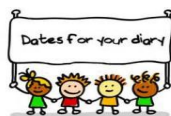
Last but not least, we checked our potatoes and peas and talked about the signs that the potatoes were ready for harvest. It's not long now for the early variety we planted.



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**Moreton Say Diary Dates 2022 – 2023**



**MAY**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – School breaks up for half term.

**JUNE**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Children return to school

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Tempest Photography in School (Whole school and Yr6)

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Sports Day 9.15am

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Nursery Sports Day – 2.00pm

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Grove School Open Evening 5.30pm – 8.00pm

**JULY**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Thomas Adams Year 6 Move Up Day

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Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Back up Sports Day – 9.15am

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Grove School **Year 6** Move Up Day

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Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Grove School **Year 6** Move Up Day

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – PTA Summer Fayre (details to follow)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Grove School **Year 5** Visit Day

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Church Service – 9.15am (parents welcome)

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Performance – 2.15pm





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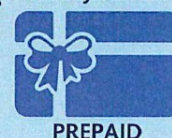
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- *Would you like to know more about why sleep is important for our health and emotional well-being?*
  - *Does your child struggle with their sleep?*
- *Would you like to access support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines?*
  - *Would you like to meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences?*

## ***SLEEP TIGHT WORKSHOPS***

The workshops are delivered virtually via MS Teams or face to face at a venue in Shropshire

Our workshops run for 5 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays

**Starting on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023 from 9.30am to 11.30am**  
**Virtually via MS Teams**

To book a place on one of our workshops or for further information on the workshops we run please contact the Parenting Team by:

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