



**Weekly News...**

Friday 6th October 2017

**Super Scientists!**

Every week over this half term, Year 5 pupils have been attending Science sessions at Stafford Manor High School. Their Thursday sessions are focusing on materials and their properties and so far sessions have included exploring uses of different materials and investigating questions such as; Does thicker insulation reduce the amount of heat lost?

This week they had the challenge separating the rock and salt from rock salt and undertook an investigation to test out their ideas. The sessions have helped the children with their scientific thinking as well as giving them a taster of a local high school.

Year 5 will continue with the sessions up to half term, when it will then be the turn of Year 6 to visit SMHS. They'll be exploring electricity.



Year N— Ruby Burns

Year 3 —Sukhraj Kooner

Year R— Daniel Olanrewju

Year 4 — Morgan Dobing

Year 1— Layla Moore

Year 5— Thomas Hall

Year 2—Kadi Rae Thompson

Year 6— Isabelle Wedge



Year N— Joseph Lamb

Year 3 — Shakira Oliver

Year R— Ruby Tipton

Year 4 — Lauren Plimmer

Year 1— Carter Davies

Year 5— Amelia Laszcz

Year 2— Liam Fox

Year 6— Lana Meecham



**Attendance**

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
95%	88%	92%	94%
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96%	94%	98%	97%

**Best Class: Year 5**

**Challenge Packs**

Just a reminder for parents that our Challenge pack outcome of Can we hold a fair to share our Big Science Adventure? is fast approaching. It will take place on Wednesday 18th October at 2:00pm. Further details will follow in next weeks newsletter.

Our challenge pack homework will also be due in on the final day of the half term; Friday 20th October.

**Breast Cancer Now's wear it pink day!**

On Friday 20th October, RPA will be turning pink to raise money for Breast Cancer Now. Staff and children will be able to attend school wearing anything pink on this date for donations of £1. We thank you in advance for your donations to a worthy cause.

**Black History Month**

This Monday we launch a mini challenge linked to Black History Month which runs nationally throughout October. At RPA we'll be discovering more about black musicians; each class will focus on a particular musician, listening to their work, finding out more about their life and the history of their culture.

The children are challenged to create a short film sharing what they've learnt with the rest of the school which they will share at the end of the month.

**Next Week's Diary Dates**

Tuesday 10th October—Swimming Year 3

Tuesday 10th October—Forest School Years 2 & 6