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Dear Parents

Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week

Last Week's Head's Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RW	RM	100%
KS1	2D	4D	98.4%
LKS2	3C	6H	90.0%
UKS2	5B	Whole Yr	96.5%

and learning about their food. In addition, the children also had the opportunity to explore the castle, visit the armoury, the dungeon and the battlements, and even look for the castle ghost! Behaviour, as always, was superb. Well done Year 4!

Prodrive and Monarch Airlines



We also took a group of gifted and talented Year 6 Pupils to have the last ever tour of the original Prodrive Heritage Centre and factory. Excitement was building all the way to Banbury in the new school minibus and reached fever pitch as we arrived. First stop the Heritage Centre where the children had the chance to sit in the cars, some of which are worth over £1 million. These are genuine race winning cars, from Touring Cars and Le Mans winners to Colin McRae's rally car. The children then went on to have a tour of the development department, engine design bay and have a tour of the garage to see cars being prepared for races around the world in the next few weeks. The whole Prodrive site is being demolished and moved to a brand new site where they will have even better facilities and which we will visit again in the future!



All of the children were very well behaved and a real credit to yourselves and the

school. Many thanks to Mr Rose for making the contacts that enable us to take these children on these unusual visits.

Year 2 Butterfly Farm Visit



Year 2 had a delightful day at the Butterfly Farm in Stratford on Wednesday and they were impeccably behaved as usual. The children were fascinated by all of the different species of butterflies that they could see and it was an informative end to their work on animal life cycles. The giant spiders, chameleons and iguanas were of special interest. Many thanks to the Year 2 team and to all the helpers who made this trip possible.

Year 6 'Shake, Ripple and Roll'



Quite frankly, this was stunning. I cannot extoll the virtues of the acting, singing and dancing enough! Everyone a 'Superstar'! Very well done indeed to everyone, including the Year 6 teachers!

Have a great weekend.
GT Burgess



School Disco

An amazing turn-out for the final school disco of the year, with DJ's Bains and Prescott championing the cause with an outstanding selection of tunes. The night really rocked! Many thanks to Lee Baker for the effort he has put into leading the school discos for the last two years and also to the band of parents and staff who have been in attendance at this and at the previous discos.

New Books From The PTA

A massive thank you again to the PTA, and to all of you for attending events to raise money for the school. Most recently, an additional £5000 has been given to us by the PTA for new books and shelving to renew and enhance the already fantastic library facilities.

Tamworth Castle

On Tuesday last week Year 4 travelled to Tamworth Castle to bring their history topic of Tudors to life. The children took part in workshops making 'pomanders', handling genuine Tudor artefacts and wearing Tudor costumes,

John Shepherd Select Estate Agents

Local Independent Estate Agent making a substantial commitment to BCPS over the long term. Call Matt Carroll on 01676 534411 to discuss your needs.

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Nursery - Ted & Toby Bear's Star of the Week Awards

Mornings: Phoebe M

Mon-Wed: Artie

Afternoons: Denny & Maddie-Grace

Robin's Stars of the Week

Isaac S, RW

Rafael P, RM

Amira E, RH

Writers of the Week

Zara D, 1M

Maths Wizards

Harrison McC, Caitlin G, Scarlett N & Chloe D, 1M

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Hannah McK, 1M

Morgan K, 2D

Ella W, 3W

George M, 6W

Scarlett N, 1M

Luke P, 2D

Lilla W, 3D

George K, 1M

DIARY DATES

SUMMER TERM 2014

Friday 11 July	INSET DAY
Monday 14 July	Reports home to parents
Tuesday 15 July	*Musical Concert
Wednesday 16 July	Year 6 Games and BBQ
Thursday 17 July	9:10 KS1 Final Assembly with remaining July & August Birthdays
Friday 18 July	09:10 Final Year 2 Assembly
	14:30 Final KS2 assembly
	Break up for Summer Holiday - Please note that this is earlier than other Solihull Schools

AUTUMN TERM 2014

Monday 1 September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 2 September	New School Year Starts