



## Family Learning

A number of parents have taken part in the Family Learning Sessions in school. They have enjoyed meeting other parents and spending time with their children.

Here are some quotes from the parents:

**"It has inspired me to be more creative with the children at home."**

**"I have come out of my shell more and it has made me and my daughter more confident in the things we do. My daughter has loved every minute of it."**

**"Fantastic, I have loved spending time with my little girl, being creative!"**

**"Brilliant Family Learning group, I have learnt lots and it has been good interacting with the children."**

**"I am new to the area and it has helped me meet new people."**

If you are interested in taking part on the next course, please contact school so that we can put your name on the list.

There are more photos on the school website.



## Notices

The year 3 and 4 children have visited Saint Matthew's Church this week to learn about the meaning of Easter.

Year 5 pupils have been working with CSO Amanda, learning about drug and alcohol awareness.

Thank you to so many parents who attended the Easter Service this week. It was lovely to see so many of you.

Well done to the school Choir for taking part in the 'Schools Celebration' at The Place in Oakengates that was organised by Wrockwardine Arts Academy.

Children return to school on **Tuesday 29th April**.

Year 6 SATs take place week beginning **12th May**

## Student Of The Term

**Congratulations to the following students for working hard this term and representing a positive approach to their learning.**

**3/4G -Ashleigh Reese**

**3/4H -Nikola Iwanowska**

**3/4R -Mason Sale**

**3/4S -Shanice Shemar**

**5D -Calum Hart**

**5R -Heather Hill**

**6F -Chloe Evans**

# Information About Headlice

Head lice are tiny insects that live in human hair. They're very small (about the size of a sesame seed) and are brown-grey in colour. Having head lice does not mean someone is dirty. Children are most commonly affected, but anyone with hair can catch them.

Head lice have six legs, each with a claw on the end. They use these to cling on to hair, and they survive by biting the scalp and feeding on blood. This often causes itching, but not always. The female head lice lay eggs in sacs which stick to individual hairs. A baby head louse then hatches seven to ten days later.

If your child has head lice, you might be able to spot the remains of the tiny white egg in their hair. This is called a 'nit'. Some people also use the word 'nit' to mean 'head louse'. Ten to fourteen days later, the baby head louse is ready to have babies of its own.

Head lice crawl from head to head when you're close to someone who has them. Children are particularly at risk, because they're often in close contact with other children at school. However, head lice can't fly or jump, and it's very rare to get head lice from a pillow or a towel as they can't survive away from a human head for very long.

Head lice can be difficult to detect, even when you closely inspect your child's head. If you think your child may have head lice:

- Check your child's hair. The most common places for head lice to lurk are in the hair behind the ears and at the nape of the neck.
- If you still can't spot any lice, comb the child's hair with a special 'nit comb'. These are available from most chemists. It's easier to spot head lice as they fall out if you comb the hair over a piece of white paper.

**You should only treat your child if you find live head lice, which confirms a live infestation. Don't treat 'just in case'. Head lice are tough. They can't be killed by washing with normal shampoo or normal combing. Because they reproduce so quickly, you've got to kill them before they spread. If your child has head lice, check everyone in the family. You'll need to treat everyone affected to get rid of them.**

You can treat head lice by wet-combing hair with a special head lice comb. The use of conditioner with wet combing can help immobilize the louse and make it easier to catch. The comb should be wiped clean each time, so as to avoid placing the head louse back into the hair. Conditioner can be washed once combing is complete. Where live lice infestation is evident, these can be treated by the use of medicated lotions or sprays available over the counter at pharmacies.

