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         	<p><b>Dates for your diary</b></p> <p>10<sup>th</sup> Feb – Smarties tube fundraiser          13<sup>th</sup> Feb – Worship in church 9.30am, led by Year 1, all parents welcome          14<sup>th</sup> Feb – Inset Day          17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Half term          25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Spring Disco 5pm - Reception to Year 4 only          25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Pancake Day – Oatcakes lunch option with pancakes for pud          3<sup>rd</sup> March – Y4 Chase Grammar visit Ben Davis          3<sup>rd</sup> March – Y3 Camerata          5<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day          5<sup>th</sup> March – Parent activity session          24<sup>th</sup> March – Parents afternoon &amp; evening school <b>closing at 2pm</b>          27<sup>th</sup> March – Non uniform day bring an Easter egg for Bingo          31<sup>st</sup> March – Easter Bingo 3.30-5.30          2<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter Service</p>	<p><b>School Notices</b></p> <p>During <b>World Book Day</b> on 5<sup>th</sup> March each class will be focussing on a story from a different country. We would like each class to come in wearing the colours of their chosen country's flag, as follows:          Nursery Germany          Reception India          Year 1 Norway          Year 2 China          Year 3 Kenya          Year 4 Australia</p> <p>We are inviting parents in during the afternoon of 5<sup>th</sup> March to get involved in a <b>parent activity session</b>, parents are welcome between 2-3pm.</p> <p>The children will also get to meet author, Fleur Baxter, who went to our school and has now written the book "A Baby Who Couldn't Sleep". It's going to be a really special, fun day!</p> <p>We are now issuing badges at 50, 100 and 150 <b>house points</b>. If lost there is a cost for replacement of £1.00.</p>  	<p><b>Congratulations to last week's Award winners</b></p> <p><b>Reception</b>          Seville, Faith, Charlotte W  <b>Musicians:</b> Maisie  <b>Computer User:</b> Hannah  <b>Y1</b>          Jaime, Ivy &amp; Kirsten  <b>Musicians:</b> Noah  <b>Computer Users:</b> Jack Had  <b>Y2</b>          Casper, Hanna &amp; Joseph  <b>Musicians:</b> Benjamin  <b>Computer Users:</b> Emily  <b>Y3</b>          George, Isabel &amp; Elsie  <b>Musicians:</b> Cillian  <b>Computer Users:</b> William  <b>Y4</b>          Alfie, Freya &amp; Oak  <b>Musicians:</b> Tully  <b>Computer User:</b> Finlay</p> <p>The Staffordshire Safeguarding team have identified <b>Omegle</b> as an App to be cautious of. For further information, click <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
	<p><b>Weekly roundup – Year 2</b></p> <p>Last week Year 2 visited the Nanaksar Gurdwara in Stafford alongside Year 4. This trip related to our RE topic this term of 'What do Sikhs believe?' It was a fantastic morning which really enhanced the children's understanding of the Sikh religion.</p> <p>In English we have been learning how to write a newspaper report based on Julia Donaldson stories.</p> <p>In Maths we have been learning how to find a fraction of a number, using practical resources to support our learning.</p> <p>In our topic lessons we have begun to explore a variety of illustrators and are excited to have a go at being illustrators ourselves.</p> <p><b>PTFA Smarties fundraiser</b></p> <p>Next Monday, your child will come home with a tube of Smarties to enjoy. After they have eaten their sweets we would like for them to fill the tube back up with some loose change and send it back in to school. They have a while to find their cash to fill the tube, so why not send them hunting down the side of the sofa or in the car for some freebies!</p> <p>We would like Smarties tubes to be back in school by the 27<sup>th</sup> February. The big count will take place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> and the class that raises the most money will be given a treat.</p> <p>The last time we ran this fundraiser it was one of our most successful of the year, let's try and beat it this year!</p>		<p><b>Spring Disco 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 5-6pm</b></p> <p>Tickets are now on sale! This event is open to children in Reception through to Y4. Tickets are £3 per child. We accept PayPal payments for PTFA events. You can still send money up to the office if you prefer, but we ask that, if you can, you try PayPal. Please use the "Friends and Family" option to <a href="mailto:stmichaelspenkridgeptfa@gmail.com">stmichaelspenkridgeptfa@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Please ensure that you add the name(s) and year group of your child in the notes sections so we can send their tickets home with them.</p> <p>We can't sell tickets on the night so please order to avoid disappointment</p> 

Continuing on our theme of Respect, children will learn the importance of valuing different options this week. This also reinforces the Core British Value of Tolerance. Pupils will explore 1 Peter 2:17 'Show proper respect to everyone.'