



Dear Parents/Carers

I'd like to introduce you to two new members of staff who we have welcomed to Monken Hadley. Mrs Diane Giddings has joined us as a teacher and she will be covering teachers' PPA (Planning, Preparation & Assessment) time in a few classes as well as giving some support in Willow class. Mrs Sonia Kouppari has joined us as a Mealtime Supervisor and has replaced James who has taken up a full-time job.

Our special activities this week started on Saturday when winners of the Rail User Group Art competition received their certificates from Michael Portillo and Pauline Hazelgrove at the Sir Nigel Gresley commemoration event. Our school choir sang their specially commissioned 'Flying Scotsman' song to great applause. I really was very proud of them and we have received much praise, including a plaudit in the Barnet Times, from everyone who was there. On the second page of this newsletter you can see all the winning entries and they are also on display at the Hadley Wood station for the wider public to admire.

On Monday Cedar class had full day of cooking. They made traditional American delicacies as part of their *Road Trip USA!* topic work: corn bread which was absolutely delicious and key lime pie. The results were amazing and would certainly give the Bake Off contestants a run for their money. Willow class had their first outing on Wednesday when they went to the Common on their minibeast hunt. Many thanks to the parents who came along to help. On Thursday we had the school photographer in and we will let you know when the proofs come in distribution.

This morning we were fortunate to have Jamie and Ed, two trainee vicars from Oak Hill College who led a very inspiring Collective Worship on the theme of God being with us at all times.

*Miss Froud*

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## Parking

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Unfortunately we have had more complaints this week about parking outside the school, including one from a local resident. Can I make a desperate plea to all drivers to park with due care and attention? It is dangerous to park, even temporarily, on both the Farm Road and the driveway going down to the house next door because these are exits for children, some of whom are very small, and weaving their way between cars is not safe for them. I have also been sent a number of photos showing our parents who have parked across the pavement, this inconveniences pedestrians and again it's not safe. Please consider the health and environmental benefits of park and stride which will also have an impact on our safety.

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## Parent Consultations

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Teachers will meet with parents on Tuesday and Wednesday (Chestnut) and Wednesday & Thursday (Willow, Beech, Cedar & Oak) evenings next week. If you haven't had your consultation time, please let your class teacher know on Monday. Please enter the school via the corridor doors.

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## Oak Class Trip Cancelled

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Unfortunately Oak class' trip to the London Eye has been cancelled. Please see Mrs Brooks' letter for more details.

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## Cedar Class Assembly

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A reminder to parents and carers in Cedar class that they will be having their class Assembly next Friday at 9.00am. All parents/carers in Cedar are welcome.



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## Star Pupils

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Willow - Arlo  
Chestnut - Helena  
Beech - Alisha  
Cedar - Leah  
Oak - Naomi



Poppy K



Alice



Alexis



Rowan



Poppy M



Lucian



Ingrid



Luca



Rose



Zachary



Luca



Evie