



Dear Parents & Carers

We started our Maths Week with Mrs Chandrani, our Maths Subject Leader, leading an inspiring assembly on the way we use mathematics in our everyday lives. After the assembly the children found out about the lives of famous mathematicians such as Fibonacci and Escher.

On Tuesday the children across the classes put aside working things out in base 10 and looked at number systems from different times and cultures. The Babylonian base 60 was particularly difficult but it helped to give the children an insight into why there are 60 seconds in a minute and 60 minutes in an hour.

On Wednesday we had some new teachers in the school – all of our Year 6 pupils! The children ran workshops for the rest of the school on: time; construction; art and money and many thanks go to them for preparing such great activities for the other children to do.

On Thursday we invited two other schools to Monken Hadley to take part in an Able Maths Day for Year 5/6 pupils. Peter Hall, a Maths Advisor, led the day and the children partook in lots of different puzzles and problem solving activities including famous conundrums. While this was going on in Beech classroom, the rest of the school were engrossed in the world of literature and mathematics through exploring books such as: *How Big is a Million?* and *The Rabbit Problem*.

Finally, today we started off by the children sharing the array of activities they have carried out this week. After Assembly, we had a maths puzzle day across the school as well as a team of boys from Habs School and their teacher visiting Oak class. The Habs visitors set our Year 6s a construction and capacity problem: how to design a net for a cardboard box to hold 12 tennis balls.

The week has certainly been a success and this is due in no small part to the wonderful organisation by Mrs Chandrani and the dedication and enthusiasm of the teachers.

Regards

Miss Froud

New After School Club

I am delighted to announce that we have a new After School Club starting on Monday 20th November at Church House under the auspices of LBL After School Club. The organiser, Fiona Doyle, and her team would like to tell you about the club at a meeting for parents on Thursday 16th November at 2.30pm in the School Hall. A flyer will also go out next week with more information.

Friends' Meeting

There is a meeting of the Friends on Monday 13th November at 7.30pm in the School Hall.

Music Concerts

Tuesday 5th December 9.00am – recorder concert for parents/carers in Beech class.
Friday 15th December 9.00am – orchestra and soloist concert.

Oak Class Assembly

Parents/carers of children in Oak class are invited to the class assembly on Friday 24th November at 9.00am.



Star Pupils

*Willow - Clara
Chestnut - Jordan
Beech - Missy
Cedar - Romy
Oak - Zachary*