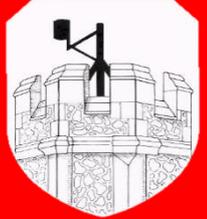


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Seek what is good, treasure what is true, do what is right.



This Month's value is **Gratitude.**

Dear Families,

So much to tell you this week my fingers are flying across the keyboard!

Willow have been busy painting minibeasts and writing impressive minibeast poetry. Chestnut have finished their dinosaur poems and these are now displayed in the classroom. Please feel free to pop in to have a look at the end of school. Stone Age came in full force to Monken Hadley with a fantastic day long workshop. See Beech class's full report later in the newsletter. Year 5s, of course, are at Tolmers and I was fortunate enough to spend a night with a campfire, marshmallows and hot chocolate. A little chilly and damp but we were not deterred. I think there will be lots of catching up on sleep this weekend! Cedar Year 4s have all become theme park designers and I think Disney needs to look out as they have created some amazing designs. Keeping with the theme park concept, as a special treat we made chocolate cookies and popped our own popcorn this afternoon. They were all STARS this week and will be presenting their theme parks projects to the years 5s on their return.

At the top of the school, the children observed the art of Claude Monet and attempted to become impressionist painters themselves. So a creative week here at Monken Hadley.

On Friday the Year 6s were out delivering the harvest gifts and the remainder of your donations have been taken to the local food bank – once again thank you.

This Week's Stars



What fantastic Stars!
All for showing a fabulous attitude to learning!

Playground News

There was great excitement this week with the arrival of a new table tennis table and table football.

Each junior year group now has their allocated slot for table tennis, table football, the climbing wall, the climbing apparatus and the football pitch! Next week the playground will be repainted and new "King Ball" squares added. Infants have also got new footballs and skipping ropes.



Beech Class Head Way Back in Time

This week, Beech class were lucky to have a workshop on The Stone Age to Iron Age organized by Portals to the Past. They arrived full of excitement, wearing fantastic costumes (thank you to all the parents for your hard work) and were certainly ready to travel back in time. The children were shown many prehistoric objects and bones of long extinct animals. The highlight was seeing a full size mammoth's tusk! The children loved investigating the Stone Age through knowledge quest games and even built a mini Stonehenge. In the afternoon the children were able to handle many of the objects including a shooting star!



Stunning Southwark Cathedral Class Visit by Michelle

Last Thursday our Class, Oak embarked on our first trip of the year to Southwark Cathedral. We left the school premises and set off to High Barnet station. After travelling for about twenty minutes, Mr Neal signalled for us to prepare ourselves to exit the train.

After walking a short distance, we stopped near the River Thames for a snack. After this, we entered the Cathedral. While we were passing through a corridor, we saw some ancient ruins of the Cathedral. We placed our coats and bags in a secure room and were divided into two groups.

Whilst our group was looking at various stain glass windows, one particularly caught my eye. It turns out it was created for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. We also learnt about different saints. As we were venturing down an aisle, we saw a tabby cat: it was the cathedral's mascot and is called Dawkins.

All in all, this was a stunning trip. I would personally recommend you to visit this wonderful cathedral.



Key Dates

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| • 17 th October | Willow and Chestnut Forest Day |
| • 21 st -25 th October | Half Term |
| • 28 th October | Return to school |
| • 28 th October | Shakespeare Workshop – Juniors |
| • 30 th October | Individual Photographs |
| • 5 th and 6 th November | Parent Consultations- letters out next week |

Football News

The girls **first ever** league fixture will take place at Christchurch on 18/11/19 at 3:30

The boys have two league fixtures arranged: At Christchurch 19/11/19 3:30 and at Foulds 26/11/19 at 3:30

All supporters welcome!

Congratulations

I am pleased to inform you that we have a new parent governor joining our Governing Body. A warm welcome and congratulations to Mr Bozgan.

Attendance and House Points

This week the class with the highest attendance was Chestnut again with an impressive 98.7% Well done.

House point winners this week...**Cass** with **98** house points.