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Excellence with Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yr 5 visit to Tate Modern and London Zoo!

In the final week of term, the children in class 5 went on a very inspiring trip to the Tate Modern to explore interactive installations, futurism art and portraits. We got to see real pieces of the art that we have been studying in class as well as what we will be studying in the coming term. The discussions the children had were nothing less than inspiring and they enjoyed every second of it!

Year 5 also got to embark on an exciting trip to London Zoo for endangered animals week. Although the weather wasn't the best, that didn't stop them from having a fantastic time getting up close and personal with some amazing animals. Everyone in class 5 saw at least one animal, creature or critter that they had never seen before and the learning (and smiling) was in full force all day. Most students said it was the best trip so far this year!



Yr 2 Visit to St Paul's

Class 2 showed themselves to be great historians and had a fantastic experience at St Paul's Cathedral, where they went to



learn more about the historical events of the Great Fire of London. They immersed themselves in role play where they pretended to be Samuel Pepys, King Charles II and the maid from the bakery on Pudding Lane. They explored St Paul's cathedral and saw where the late architect Christopher Wren was buried. They even got to see various artefacts that were damaged in the fire!



Yr 4 visit to a Mandir in Balham

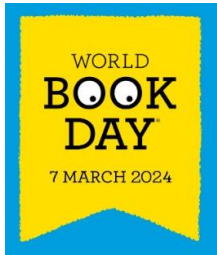
On the final day of term, Yr 4 visited a Mandir. This was part of their RE topic on Hinduism. They had a lovely trip, and Mr Vanes has said that he was really proud of their respectfulness and inquisitiveness in the Mandir. They were perfect ambassadors for the school in the way they conducted themselves travelling to and from Balham.



This terms value: Endurance

In Family assembly on Thursday, the classes shared their work on this term's value. All the children shared what Endurance means to them, told us about the different stories they had read, sharing examples of characters or individuals who had endured and displayed the work they had created, representing the value of Endurance. Year 4 shared the facts they had learnt about the rugby player Rob Burrow and his friend Kevin Sinfield, who had run several extreme marathons to raise money for the Motor Neurone Disease charity, a disease which had struck Rob Burrow in 2019. Year 4 were so inspired by this that they too have decided to run a marathon; by running 10 laps of the playground every day for the rest of the term, they are aiming to run 27km and to raise money for the MND charity. A brilliant example of Endurance – good luck Class 4! Do see their letter and the text that went out for further details.

World Book day



Further to Mr Nunn's letter, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. We celebrate this annually and it is always lovely to see all of our staff and children dressed as their favourite book characters. If you need any suggestions for what your child could dress as, please do see your child's class teacher or Mr Nunn.

Dates coming up:

February	March
Tues 20 th : Class 3 to the library Wed 21 st : Class 2 to the library Wed 21 st & Thurs 22 nd cycle confident for Yr 4 Mon 26 th : Class R to the library Tues 27 th Class 4 to the library	Fri 1 st : yr 6 to Stamford Bridge Wed 6 th Yr 6 to Transport Museum as part of Jnr Citizenship Thurs 7 th : World Book Day Tues 12 th : Yr 5 to the library Tues 12 th & 13 th : Parents Evening Fri 15 th : Red Nose Day & Yr 6 to the library Mon 18 th Last Yr 3 swimming for the term and LAST WEEK OF CLUBS Mon 25 th : parents open afternoon Tues 26 th Yr 3 cycle confident sessions Wed 27 th 9-10am parent session – supporting children with anxiety Thurs 28 th LAST DAY OF TERM – school finishes at 2.30pm Mon 15 th April: SCHOOL STARTS

Attendance: We ask that you do not book holidays in term time. Our holiday dates for this year and next year are on the website and also are available from the office on a wallet sized card. We are aiming for a whole school attendance of 97% and have a little way to go yet.

Whole school attendance is: 94.75%. Well done Class 4 with the highest attendance of 96%!

Awards:

Last week of Spring 2 Star of the Week: Ayana

Top Table this week: Arven and Walid

Class of the week: Class 2 and Class 3! House of the week: **St. Edward**

We missed sharing the Courtesy and Mentions awards on week beginning 22nd January so we have included them below:

Courtesy	Azan and Majeed	Ivy and Brooke	Arven and Selina	Ruth and Ismail	Sortoo and Noel	Rayyan and Salma	Dina and Shalom
Mentions	Mason and Jacob	Teddy and Brooke	Omari and Moody	Ruth and Evie	Jecoliah and Maya	Anisa and Shreya	Adam and Joud

Last week of last term:

Courtesy	Helan and Mila	Sarah and Teddy	Salman and Rishan	Asher and Mohamed	Amar and Fred	Dorela and Janelle	Modar and Shalom
Mentions	Helan and Majeed	Casper and Teddy	Hamza and Elharia	Doa and Eunice	Yearsema and Farmaan	Rayyan and Maryam	Amanie and Lydia

Last week:

Courtesy	Mohamed and Lily	Zahra and Samira	Elharia and Holy	Skylar and Jalal	Billie and Ayan	Maryam and Berksan	Ayub and Evelyn
Mentions	Louis and Mila	Sarah and Brooke	Omari and Ali	Yezin and Casey	Rosie and Mobeen	Berksan and Mohamad	Shalom and Kaylem

With very best wishes
Rebecca Anson
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