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Our Year 6 Trip To Cannock Chase

On Wednesday, my classmates and I set off for Cannock Chase Museum. The purpose of our trip was to learn more about WWI and WWII. The journey was long but my partner (Tarikul) lightened it up.

Finally, we arrived! The first thing we did was role play with Dianne (our group leader). Dianne taught us facts I didn't even know. I liked the role play because I had the opportunity to shout at Layla! My favourite part of this lesson was dressing up like a 1940s farmer.

After lunch, Dianne escorted us to a different building to learn about gas masks, bomb raids and shelters. One of the facts I found interesting was that people hid in the underground tube stations during bombing raids. My absolute favourite thing was the simulated bomb attack.

I would recommend this place to people who like history and artefacts because you learn a lot about it. Overall, my trip was amazing!

Shiyaad, Willows

Children Arriving Early

Thank you to everyone who read the newsletter last week and has taken appropriate action to ensure their children have behaved appropriately before and after school. There has been a definite improvement, although there is still some way to go. We have also noticed that some children are arriving at school very early. Please note that we do not take responsibility for the children's behaviour and safety until 8.45am; it is inappropriate for children to arrive early unattended. If you get here early with your child, you should stay with them until the doors open at 8.45am. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Year 5 Diwali Assembly

Mrs. Strickland writes: Year 5 will be celebrating Diwali by doing a year group assembly. We would like to ask if there are any parents who would like to come and help with creating a short dance to be part of it. The creating of the dance and the practising would have to be done during school hours but we can be flexible on the day to suit those who can help. The assembly will be on Tuesday 6th November so we would need your help as soon as possible. If you are able to offer any time to help with this, please contact Mrs Strickland via the school office or on m.strickland@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk

I am really looking forward to working with parents to help celebrate Diwali. Thank you.

Parents' Evenings

Our Parents' Evenings will take place on Wednesday 24th (3.30pm - 6.30pm) and Thursday 25th October (3.30pm - 5.30pm). Separate letters are coming home today - please book your appointments without delay. Please note that for **Elms** class, they will take place on Tuesday 23rd (3.30pm - 5.30pm) and Wednesday 24th October (3.30pm - 6.30pm).

Chair of Governors

We are pleased to inform you that Mr. Andrew Thorp is now our Chair of Governors. Mrs. Kate Dugmore will continue in her role as Vice Chair of Governors.

Welcome

We are very pleased to welcome a new member of staff to the team. Mr. Harris has joined us as a PE apprentice and he will work closely with Mr. Ellis and Mr. Price. He will also support the lunchtime team, running activities for our children, and will be involved in after-school activities.

Harvest Collection

A reminder that we are collecting food to give to people in need. We are very pleased to have Mr. Watson coming back to school on Monday to lead a Harvest assembly and Birmingham City Mission are coming next Thursday morning to collect the food. Please give generously!

Pen Licences This Week

Rhia (Sycamores) Veer & Deen (Cedars) Myah & Ruby (Pines)

Whole School Attendance

This Week: 98.0% Year So Far: 98.5%

This Week's Team Points

1. Blue Dragons	841
2. Yellow Unicorns	799
3. Red Phoenix	750
4. Green Griffins	677

Pupil of the Week

Elms: Tehzeeb	Cedars: Paris
Firs: Hussam	Pines: Myah
Oaks: Liam	Sycamores: Jaudaan
Birches: Riley	Chestnuts: James
Palms: Laiton	Magnolias: Zain
Spruces: Priya	Willows: Shiyaad

Diary Dates

Thu 18 Oct	Year 5 "Wonderdome" in school
Wed 24 & Thu 25 Oct	Parents' Evenings
Fri 26 Oct	Break up for half term
Mon 5 Nov	School reopens
Tue 6 Nov, 9.00am	Year 5 Diwali assembly
Tue 6 Nov	Photographer in school
Wed 7 & Thu 8 Nov	Year 4 "Play in a Day"
Tue 13 Nov, 9.00am	Year 5 Inspire Workshop
Wed 28 Nov	Year 4 theatre visit
Thu 29th Nov - Wed 5th Dec	Book fair in school
Wed 5th Dec, 3.30pm	Christmas Fayre

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