

# THE POCHIN SCHOOL



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

## This week.....

It has been another jammed pack week full of fun learning experiences for the children.

Class 1 and 2 have been learning about the Great Fire of London. This week they recreated London Bridge and set light to the bakery. The children had first hand experience of how quickly the fire spread between houses and how the proximity of the houses to each other allowed it to spread so quickly and easily. I was very impressed that a number of children were able to identify what was needed for a fire to occur. A special shout out to Kayden in year 1 who could tell me that a fire needs oxygen!

Class 3 and 4 had a leading Archaeologist visit them, Dr Ian Parker Heath. The children discovered about how archaeologists learn about the past through their different methods and tried themselves to be archaeologists for the day!

Class 5 had great fun during their Evacuees Day on Tuesday. They arrived at school looking fantastic having thrown themselves whole heartedly into creating costumes suitable for evacuees. During the day they learned about Leicester's Blitz, what rationing meant and how to do the Lambeth Walk. They were then tasked with cooking cakes and biscuits using only ingredients available during the war. The chocolate cake was the clear favourite. They also learned about Anderson shelters and how they protected many families during the bombing before making their own replica shelters. Test your child's recall by seeing if they can answer these three learning questions.

1. When did rationing start and finish?
2. Name 6 things which were rationed and 3 things which weren't.
3. Why was rationing necessary?

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of class 5 who did an amazing job at running the whole Harvest Festival for the school. They did this with great enthusiasm. **The pictures will be uploaded over the weekend onto the school's event page.**

## Head Teacher's Award Winners

Head teachers award took place in classes today. Pictures to follow.

## Residential Trip Meetings

If your child is going to Beaumanor or the Wales residential trip there will be a meeting to explain the trip in more detail and give out kit lists etc. Parents and children are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend these meetings all the forms will be sent home the following day with your child and the PowerPoint presentation will be uploaded onto the class website.

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September - Beaumanor Residential Trip 3:30-4pm Class 4

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Wales Residential Trip 3:30-4pm Class 4 room

Language of the Month - French



British Values of the Month - Rule of Law



Things to remember for next week and beyond ...

### September

- 28<sup>th</sup> - Beaumanor Residential Trip Parents meeting 3:30-4pm
- 29<sup>th</sup> - Wales Residential Trip Parents meeting 3:30-4pm

## October

- 11<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Wales Min Y Don Trip
- 14<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Beaumanor Residential
- 14<sup>th</sup> Whole School Beaumanor Activities Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> Year 5/6 Dodgeball Competition 3:30-5pm

## November

- 1<sup>st</sup> Class Photos
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Parents Evening 3:45-7pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3:45-7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Wales Min Y Don Trip
- 9<sup>th</sup> Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Competition
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Stirring the Pudding Service in the Church 9am

Kind regards

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