

Colindale Primary School Newsletter

November 2017



As part of our **Harvest Festival celebrations**, we asked for donations for our local food bank, as we do every year. 5T made posters promoting the items most needed and a competition was set to see which class could donate the most. As a result we collected a fantastic **736 items!** . Thank you to everyone who donated and well done 1W and 4R who donated the most. Christina from Colindale Food Bank came to our Harvest Assembly to say a big THANK YOU!

After all the donations were collected, 5T made a trip to the food bank, where they learned what happens at the food bank and how it all works. The most exciting part was that they got to be volunteers, taking the donations they had brought, labelling them with the *best before* date, sorting and organising them into crates. A great help for Christina and her volunteers!

Another memorable experience was meeting Aaron, a volunteer. Hayley, in 5T, asked Aaron, "What made you want to become a volunteer?" Aaron explained that he used to use the food bank. When he was able to stop needing the food bank he decided to volunteer as a way of giving back and to help others.

5T felt a great sense of pride in helping others who are in need and going hungry in our own community. Once again, I would like to thank everyone who has donated. As a school we will continue to look for ways of helping others, in our community and in the wider world.

Miss L. Thompson PSHE & Eco School Leader

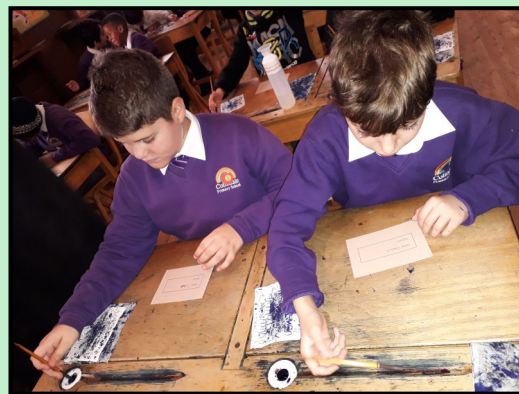


On Monday 6th November the **Boys football team** played in the first round of the Martin Cup competition against Brookland Juniors. The boys played brilliantly and the final score was 0-0, so the game went to penalties. Aaron P saved 2 of Brooklands penalties, whilst Darwaish and Vais scored for Colindale and won the match. Colindale will play Edgware Primary in the next round. As a result of making so many great saves Aaron P was named Man of the Match! On Tuesday 14th November the boys played in their first league match of the season against Deansbrook Primary. After conceding an early goal, the boys dug deep and went into half time at 1-0. In the second half the boys pressed well and passed the ball around nicely, setting up Maxwell and Vais to score. The final results was 2-1 to Colindale! Man of the match was Darwaish for great awareness and positional play throughout the game. *Ms L. Nuttall (PE Leader)*



On Friday the 17th of November 2017, Year 6 went to the RAF Museum in Colindale. After spending approximately 30 minutes traveling, via Beaufort, we arrived cold but excited. We were led by staff, to a special designated area where we all placed our coats and bags before visiting the amazing planes scattered throughout the room. We were able to identify different types of planes that fought in World War 2. Some of them were massive and carried bombs! We even had the opportunity to sit inside some of them.

After lunch we took part in some aeronaut activities such as air zone, lifting the landing gear and dropping a bomb onto a target. Then we took part in a World War 2 school workshop. We went inside what



looked like a 'real' 1940's classroom and took part in a lesson. The teacher was strict and would not allow us to talk or move. We had to use ink, ink pens and blotting paper to write our sums and sentences into our books – it was very difficult and lots of us got ink everywhere! In the middle of the lesson an air raid siren went off, we were told to hide under the desks, to protect our heads in case a bomb lands on the school. However, during this we still had to carry on with our lesson – arithmetic! Once the siren had stopped, we got out from under the desks and carried on with the lesson. We thought it was fun and we found out a lot about what children learnt in school.

Written by 6T

Our School Council Trip to the Houses of Parliament

Just before the half term holiday, me and other school councillors from the upper school went on a trip to the Houses of Parliament, in central London. Whilst we were there we had a tour of the House of Lords where we saw the Robing room, where the Queen puts on her robes before opening Parliament every year. In this room there's a special throne made of gold, it's a small chair because it was originally made for Queen Victoria and she was very short.



We watched a video and learned lots of facts about democracy in the United Kingdom. My favourite bit was when we saw how Parliament was formed, how it changed and how it became what it is today. It was a very educational, enjoyable and interesting trip. Before we left the House of Lords, when we were in the Grand Hall, we were met by Matthew Offord, the Member of Parliament for



PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE when you bring your children to school or collect them, do NOT

park across our neighbours drives or on dropped curbs. This causes a great deal of distress for both them and us. Thank you!

Attendance awards



This month the following classes won the **Colindale Gold Attendance Award** for the highest attendance:

6K 4R 1PF (twice!) & 2J (twice!)

These classes won the **Super Gold Attendance Award** for an amazing 100% attendance with no lates:

6K & 2KC

WELL DONE!