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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 3 have gone back to the Stone Age this week on their trip to the Chiltern Air Museum. The pupils took part in a range of activities to deepen their understanding of life in the Stone Age period. They made paint to create Stone Age paintings and also used natural resources to make Stone Age jewellery. They then had to make a shelter using animal fur and wood. All of the pupils enjoyed their day and staff were very impressed with their behaviour and enthusiasm during the activities.

Our Upper School boys football team played against Towers Junior school this week in awful weather conditions. All of the boys put in brilliant performances and worked hard as a team but unfortunately lost the game. Well done boys for your efforts!

Year 6 took part in a Chemistry Roadshow this week put on by Royal Liberty School. They got to take part in six different experiments where they got to mix different chemicals, set fire to sugar and alcohol to test the reactions and use indicators to test the acidity of different substances - we found that coke had more acid in it than mouthwash! The children really enjoyed the experiments and have already asked when they can do it again! It was a pleasure to host the students from Royal Liberty School our pupils really enjoyed the day!

The whole school have taken part in a Crazy Scientist day today to celebrate National Science Day. The staff and pupils looked brilliant in their costumes and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day. Look out for photos on the website. The pupils took part in a range of experiments and science based learning to enhance their science topic work:

EYFS are making a den for the Gruffalo and making sure it is waterproof using different materials.

Year 1 tested the properties of materials to keep an egg safe.

Year 2 constructed towers out of spaghetti and marshmallows.

Year 3 made their own lava lamps.

Year 4 made catapults and investigated the forces they use.

Year 5 made their own slime and investigated how magnetism creates the Northern Lights.

Year 6 carried out experiments observing reversible and irreversible change.

This week our Reception class photos will be published in the Romford Recorder. Make sure you pick up a copy, photos can be ordered using the form inside the paper if you wish.

Year 1 pupils enjoyed having their family members in school this week to talk about toys they had when they were children. The pupils compared the toys with those that they use today and designed and made different toys. Thank you for coming to share your memories with them, the children really enjoy having you in school.

I would like to thank the staff and pupils for creating the wonderful display of poppies on the school railings. We will be observing the two minutes silence on Monday morning following Remembrance Sunday.

The Book Fair will be starting after school today in the Dining Room. Come and have a look at the great selection of books on offer and support us in raising money to stock the school library bus and the classrooms.

If you have anything you would like to discuss with a member of Senior Management please attend the drop in sessions every Friday from 2.00pm - 3.00pm. Alternatively, please book an appointment at the main office.

Senior staff are also available at the beginning and end of the school day in the playgrounds, on the gates and at the doors if you need to see them.

Yours faithfully,

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Headteacher