THE PAKEMAN PRESS

Thank you for taking the time to read this weekly newsletter. We hope you will find its contents useful.

School Journey

Last week, 36 children travelled by train with Emma, Anne, Harry and Rob for a week of adventure on a fun-packed school journey. The group stayed at Howtown Outward Bound Centre in Cumbria. The children had an amazing week. They climbed mountains, enjoyed canoeing, went gorge walking and



played team games. A huge thank you to all the staff involved for giving up their time so that the children could have such a wonderful week. Look out for our special School Journey page in this newsletter.

The Henry Smith Foundation - Zoo Trip

This term, we were lucky enough to obtain funding from the Henry Smith Holiday Grants Programme. In response to the impact of Covid -19, the foundation set out to support school children by funding day trips. Thanks to this generous initiative, all of our KS2 children were able to have a wonderful day at London Zoo. Huge thanks go to the foundation for this amazing opportunity. We really appreciate it at Pakeman!





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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Half term: Monday 25th October

Friday 29 October

Last Day of Term: Friday 17th December

First day back at school for children: Wed 5th January 2022

Funding - EYFS/ KS1

As Key Stage 2 have been funded to go to London Zoo this week, we are currently looking for funding opportunities to do something lovely with our EYFS and KS1 children.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Attendance Matters			
100% Attendance	0 days missed	Excellent	
95% Attendance	9 days of absence (1 week and 4 days of learning missed)	Satisfactory	
90% Attendance	19 days of absence (3 weeks and 4 days of learning missed)	Poor	

90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% means that your child is missing half a day of school each week or 19 days during a school year – that's nearly 4 school weeks. **Attendance matters!**

Word of the week

DETERMINATION

Definition: the firm intention to achieve what you have decided to achieve.

Use of the word *determination* in a sentence:

The children on our school journey had a determination to reach the top of the mountain.



Family Kitchen

Children had a great time during their first week of Family Kitchen. They made daal, naan bread and fruit kebabs. It was a real treat.



If you would like to find out more about how to get involved with any future sessions with Family Kitchen please contact Natalie. Catch her in the playground or call - 020 7607 2575. Alternatively, email **nbroomes@pakeman.islington.sch.uk**











Years 5 and 6 - World War 2 Topic

Years 5 and 6 have been continuing to work hard on their topic about World War 2. They are currently reading a book by author, Emma Carroll called **Letters from the Lighthouse**. By combining literacy, design and science, the children have made these super lighthouses. They each included a working electricity circuit.









A full colour version of this newsletter can be found on our school website at: www.pakemanprimary.co.uk



'Our house was on the edge of the lake, it was beautiful!' – Year 5 child

> 'We climbed up a mountain! It was hard and it has taught me that I can achieve things that I never thought I could! Just don't give up!' – Year 6 child

'My favourite part of the trip was gorge walking! We were great at helping each other and supporting each other emotionally.'

> 'The water activities were the best! Cliff jumping was so exciting! Canoeing was hard but we worked as a team!' – Year 6 child