



A WEEK AT AVANTI HOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL



The auspicious month of Karthik

Children at AHPS observed the month of Karthik by thinking about themselves, each other and of course deepening their love and connection with Lord Krishna.

Children sang the Damodarastakam prayer and offered a candle, by doing this they were able to show their love and devotion to the lord.



African drumming at AHPS!

As part of Black History Month, Year 4 children attended an exciting workshop and explored different rhythms on African drums. Everybody participated and contributed to the music, storytelling and took part in a purposeful recycling activity. It was a fun experience which was rounded off with a dance performance at the end of the day. It was all about team work, listening skills and developing self- confidence!



Reminder: End of term pick up times.
Our last day of term is Friday 13th December 2019; please see timings for a smooth pick up. Please also remember there will be no clubs on this day, including Sherpa Kids.

Year Groups	Pickup Times
Years 5 & 6	12:30PM
Years 3 & 4	12:40PM
Years 1 & 2	12:45PM
Reception	12:50PM

FOAH

I would like to take this opportunity to, formally, thank the FOAH board members and the team for all that have done for our children and school over the last year. It has been a pleasure working with Hiren Bhimjiani to ensure that all events have been successful. FOAH and the school have worked incredibly hard to unite parents in supporting the school move forward in its journey to excellence.

I now look forward to working with the new FOAH board, I am also working on appointing the school appointed representative.

Watch this space!

Our visit to the Aquarium.

Year 2 had an incredible experience when they went on a trip to the Sea Life Aquarium London, as part of the topic 'Animals including Humans'. We saw lots of different sea creatures and got to touch a star fish! We also attended a workshop on Adaptations and learnt how animals adapt themselves to their habitat. Amongst many fascinating creatures we saw sea turtles, penguins, sharks, lobsters, jellyfish and octopus. We were so excited by all the mysteries of the sea!

This is what some children had to say –

Vanshi – *'My favourite part was touching the star fish. It was so spikey.'*

Kaylan – *'My favourite part was seeing the sharks. They were so close, I wanted to touch them.'*



What A Wonderful Experience!

On Wednesday 13th November, Bentley Wood High School held a STEM Challenge that was open to Year 2 children of local schools. We were fortunate enough to send four children from our Year 2 to participate. Dyanjali, and Vanaiya from 2PP and Reyan and Anvi from 2FF made up our school team.

"I was excited to go to Bentley Wood and take part." said Reyan, who along with Mr Allaway and Ms Nafiza enjoyed the pre-event biscuits and juice.

The schools were then split into teams and taken to a classroom and were then briefed on the challenge. Vanaiya recalled, "Our task was to build a tower that had to be over one metre tall only using paper straws, paper cubes, that we made and sticky tape." She added "It also had to have two floors and be able to support a chocolate egg."

The four worked extremely well as a team, (that included another pupil from another school) discussing ideas, trying out different ways to build their structure and put the pieces together. "I was happy to be part of the challenge." remembers Anvi.

With mountains of sticky tape and cuttings of straws the team from Avanti managed to build their tower to a height of over one metre and thirty centimetres. The structures were then judged by an engineer from Bentley Wood, measured and tested for its stability. Our team were judged to have both the tallest and most stable tower.

Well done to all of the pupils for showing amazing attitude and were a great credit to the school and to Mrs Bellare for making this opportunity happen and we look forward to giving the children more experiences like this in the future.

See pictures attached.