Weekly Word



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To all Parents/Carers,

Loads going on this week at Markeaton as always! In the first photo, children in Y3 taking part in their E-Safety Assembly. Now more than ever, E-Safety is an enormous part of the children's education and we make sure that this topic is revisited on a regular basis. All year groups had an assembly to take part in – thank you Miss Herriman ©

In the second photo, a window display from Miss Payne's class – created by Miss Bale and some Y2 children. I think you'll agree, very powerful. On that note, the children observed the two minute's silence on Thursday beautifully.

In the third photo, a slide from a History lesson in Y6. 'Fast Four' (not a popular Vin Diesel film!) is something we have rolled out in all lessons this year to help encourage children's retrieval of skills and knowledge. So, one question might be asking them to recall something from the last lesson and one question might be asking them to recall something from last week. The whole idea is to keep that 'sticky knowledge (what you want them to remember as they move through school) as fresh and as relevant as possible. Ask your child about 'Fast Four' and see what they have to say.

The fourth photo is our newly elected team of House Captains. They will begin their careers in earnest next week; positioning themselves on the corridors and seeking out children who are setting a good example around school. Well done to them again and good luck!

In other news, please make sure you read the letter titled **Safe Haven** with this email – which the City Council have now given us permission to advertise with parents/carers. In a nutshell, we have been identified as a school with issues around parking and access on Bromley St and as a result of this the City Council are trialing what's called the 'Safe Haven' project for an initial 18 months. Without going in to too much detail, **please have a look at the letter as this will affect us all from the 6**th **December 2021**; most notably, access to Bromley Street at drop off and pick up times.

And finally, it's worth mentioning that next week we will be experiencing multi faith workshops in school, Sir Linkalot and Y5/6 Blast Off activities – so keep an eye on Twitter!

PS...keep asking your child about Markeaton Minds (see below) and have a lovely weekend.

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