

# Weekly Word

5/11/2021

To all Parents/Carers,

Among lots of other exciting things it's been all about trips, sport and 'hands on' Maths this week at Markeaton!

In the first photo, here are two of our Y4 children admiring the stunning view at Haddon Hall as part of their Tudor topic for this term. The weather just about held off and they had a great time by all accounts!

Following on from this topic, here we have another Y4 child in the second photo proudly showing off her very own Tudor house – it looks ace!!

In the last photo, here are our Y2 children using Maths manipulatives in their lesson. By using 'hands on' resources the children can really develop their understanding of certain, more tricky mathematical concepts. This is one of our whole school targets this year and Y2 are one of many year groups enjoying the benefits of this approach.

In other news, you will have seen in the email sent with this Weekly Word that [Sir Linkalot](#) (aka Andy Salmon) is visiting our school for a whole day on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November. I announced it in assembly this morning and it was like I had told the children the Queen was visiting – they were so excited! He will be working with every class, doing a bit of training with the teaching staff and hosting an interactive session for parents/carers on 16<sup>th</sup> November at 4:30pm on Zoom (invite below):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84370305126?pwd=dDRZb0MrOHZ6QWVqSVpWR0o3aDYrdz09>

You may have heard your child talk about him at home and the lessons we are currently doing in class. His methods are new, innovative and very effective so if you have half an hour free please join the meeting – you won't regret it! Improving spelling, another one of our whole school targets for this year, is certainly getting a big boost from him 😊

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy any fireworks displays you might be going to.

PS...ask your child about Markeaton Minds (see below)

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