



**Brunel Day!**

Shortly after half-term, the whole school will be spending an afternoon learning about the great Isambard Kingdom Brunel, after whom our school is named. Brunel was an ingenious man who is responsible for many innovations in engineering and we will be learning all about him on the afternoon. In the meantime, it would be great if children could find out a little bit out him themselves. Do you know where he is buried? It may be closer than you realise....

**Marathon**

We are very proud of Mr Henry Martin, one of our Y4 teachers, who is running in this year's London Marathon. He is raising money for the Venture Community Association. Specifically, any money raised will go towards:

- Equipment.
- Community-based events and activities.
- Promotion of health and well-being.

Donations can be made through the following link:  
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/henrylondon2017>

**Fire in Dickens Class!**

Dickens Class have been making Tudor houses as part of their Great Fire of London project. When they are completed, they will be set alight (in a controlled space!) to see how quickly the fire spreads, just like in the Great Fire! So far they have constructed the buildings and painted them. Next, they will stick the windows on. Watch this space...



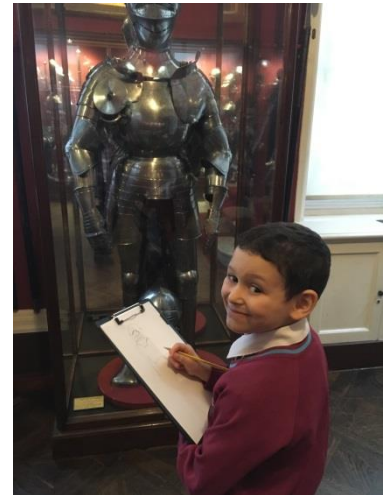
**Attendance**

w/c 9.1.17	93.58%	Well below target
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This has been a very disappointing start to the term. This aspect of our performance really lets us down as a school and needs to improve urgently.

**Y3 at the Wallace Collection**

Year 3 visited the Wallace collection near Marble Arch to learn about different types of armour and weapons. It was a hands-on experience; sketching the details and trying on the armour. They also had a good look around the museum at all the furniture and over 900 paintings.



**Going to the zoo, zoo, zoo...**

Year 2 visited London Zoo as part of their project on climates and animals. The pupils saw a whole range of different animals from around the world, including the kangaroo from Australia! Some children were even brave enough to enter the spider's cave. What a fantastic trip it was!



**Upcoming...**

- The parent workshop on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February will be led by Miss Caroline Mitchell for parents of children in Nursery and Reception
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February is Safer Internet Day. In school, we will be learning about how to make sure that we stay safe online.
- On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February, the choir will be out singing with Mr English.
- Year 2 will be visiting the Museum of London on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February as part of their Fire! Fire! project.
- The class assembly on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February will be led by Fry Class.