

Dear Parents/Carers,
 Well, we have reached the end of another great week of learning here at Alderwood.



Mrs Harris has been amazed at how well Beech Class have settled into school life and the routines of the classroom. They are making friends, exploring their surroundings and using their skills to create some wonderful learning outcomes, in particular, paintings of very realistic dinosaurs!



This term, the whole school is immersed in a text trilogy, the first of which is entitled 'Journey'. These picture books are an absolute delight and take the reader on an emotional adventure. You'll notice that there are hints to the texts all around the school, in particular, the class reading corners. What do they mean?

Next week, we are delighted to welcome back Cycle Confidence for members of Palm Class. We value physical activity here at Alderwood and cycling is a great way to maintain a healthy lifestyle, however, safety while cycling on the roads is paramount.

Palm Class have been swotting up this week on a Maths game called 'Challenge 24' in preparation for the first ever Compass Maths competition next week at Horn Park. Come on Alderwood!

As you know, The Compass Partnership of Schools is committed to listening to all stakeholders in order to secure the very best outcomes for our children. We advertised the new Compass Parent Forum recently and are delighted to inform you that we have secured two dedicated parents to sit on this exciting committee. We hope you'll join us in thanking Miranda Williams and Zoe Dobson for agreeing to represent our school.

Have a lovely weekend and don't forget, it is our Mexican themed feast on Thursday 4th October!

★ This Week's 'Stars of the Week' ★	
Beech – Joshua	Birch - Oladipupo
Willow – Golda	Elm – Vinny
Maple – Aida	Palm – Caitie
Oak – Harvey	

Mrs K Cutajar
 Head of School

Miss N Tilley
 Head of School

Dates for your Diary

NEW Stay & Play continues –
 Every Tuesday at 2pm

Year 5 Cycle Confident –
 Monday 24th – Friday 28th
 September

Maths Competition – Wednesday
 26th September

Thursday 4th October – Mexican
 Lunch Feast

Parents' Evening –
 Monday 8th & Wednesday 10th
 October

Secondary Transfer Drop In
 sessions–
 Wednesday 10th October

Individual/Family Photos –
 Monday 15th October

Year 5 Trip Chislehurst caves –
 Wednesday 17th October

Harvest Festival –
 Thursday 18th October

Nasal Flu Vaccinations –
 Friday 19th October

Open Day for Reception intake
 2019 –
 Wednesday 21st November at
 9.15am

Break up for Half Term –
 19th October

Children Return -
 Monday 29th October 2018

Reading Open Door Event for all
 Parents –
 Tuesday 6th November

Assembly themes

Our core value for **September**
 is

“Drive & Determination”.

Weekly Attendance

The class with the highest
 attendance last week was
Palm Class
 with 99%.

We are aiming for 100% across the
 school.