



## Explore Learning Mathematicians' Award



A group of Year 5 and 6 children took part in the 'Young Maths Competition'. They showed immense resilience in tackling some challenging problem solving questions and were most definitely fearless learners. These are the comments we received from Explore Learning about our children:

Mario in Aquila showed good leadership by suggesting the team initially split into pairs so they could work on Task 1 and 2 simultaneously. Zehao in Pisces clearly recorded the team's solutions into an easily

readable answer sheet. Vasavi in Leo gave clear explanations of why she felt they should pursue certain strategies and Beheshta in Chamaeleon asked other team members to explain their explanations. Well done Mario, Zehao, Vasavi and Beheshta!

Article 28 : Your right to learn and go to school.

## Value of the month



### Democracy

- Taking part
- Listening to the views of others
- Helping make decisions
- Having an opinion

Article 13 : Your right to have information.

## Job Vacancies

From time to time we have job opportunities which are advertised on our schools' websites. Please click the 'Staff Vacancies' button on our website for further information on any of our current vacancies or follow this link <http://heathlandwhitefriarsfederation.net>

Article 13 : Your right to have information.

## Children's Mental Health Week



Whitefriars primary pupils will be taking part in Children's Mental Health Awareness Week which takes place from 3rd – 9th February. Set up by the children's mental health charity Place2Be, the week shines a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health. This year's theme is **Find your Brave!**

Teachers are busy planning lots

of activities and we will also be having a dress up day (please bring in £1) on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Keep a look out for further information coming soon!

Article 3: Everyone who works with children should always do what is best for each child

## Diary Dates for February...

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> ~ Children's Mental Health Week
- 5<sup>th</sup> ~ 3.15pm Ruby Classroom - Gordon Brown Residential Trip Meeting for Parents and Carers.
- 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Safer Internet Week – Identity Online
- 10<sup>th</sup> ~ 2.30pm Meeting for KS2 Parents and Carers - Internet Awareness & Online Safety
- 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 2.30pm Meeting for KS1 Parents and Carers - Internet Awareness & Online Safety
- 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Half Term Week



## Year 5 African Drumming



Year 5 children were encouraged to make a real racket in class this month all in the name of learning about another culture. The pupils were in an upbeat musical mood when they took part in a high energy African drumming workshop. The children used traditional

djembe drums to create sounds and music from Ghana, to help them learn about another culture and experience a feeling of unity as part of a drum circle.



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## Year 6 Football



On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January Whitefriars Year 6 boys football team played a league game against Avanti House Primary School. The match was very intense and difficult but the Whitefriars finished the game with a 5-4 victory over Avanti House. Well done to all the boys who took part.



Article 15 : Your right to meet with friends and join groups and clubs.

## Keeping our Streets Clean



Thank you to the many parents who have raised concerns regarding the fouling of pavements around Whitefriars Avenue. It would be really useful if parents and carers (as local ratepayers) could also contact Harrow Council to raise their concerns at: <https://www.harrow.gov.uk/streets/dog-fouling>.

## School Awards

Congratulations to the following children who achieved their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards this month.

### Bronze Award:

- Zeinab – 5 Pisces
- Nolene – 3 Aquarius
- Abdullah – 4 Hercules
- Ahmad – 4 Hercules
- Jamari – 4 Hercules
- Habib – 4 Hercules
- Abaan – 3 Cassiopeia
- Bixente – 3 Cassiopeia
- Daniel – 3 Cassiopeia
- Aela – 3 Orion
- Hassan – 3 Orion
- Kayla – 6 Andromeda

### Silver Award:

- Abdullah – 5 Aquila
- Muhammed – 5 Pisces
- Ibrahim – 5 Pisces
- Doenya – 5 Leo
- Mohamed – 4 Corvus
- Phillip – 5 Pisces
- Mubarak – 5 Aquila
- Mario – 5 Pisces
- Sadiquallah – 5 Aquila
- Raluca – 5 Aquila
- David – 5 Aquila
- Mohamed – 5 Pisces
- Prachi – 6 Chamaeleon

### Gold Award:

- Karima – 6 Chamaeleon
- Lewis – 6 Chamaeleon
- Jalak – 5 Aquila
- Hilal – 5 Leo
- Mia – 5 Leo
- Rhys – 5 Pisces
- Binal – 6 Chamaeleon
- Nivriti-6 Chamaeleon



Article 29 : Your right to become the best that you can be