

Oak Class trip to the House of Parliament

On Monday 14th November 2016, Year 6 were lucky enough to visit the Houses of Parliament. The class left Watlington train station at 8:34am and arrived at London's Kings Cross Station at approximately 10:13am. We then made our way across London by underground and walking. The children behaved extremely sensibly and maturely whilst on our journey.

Once we arrived at the Houses of Parliament, Oak Class first had to pass security, similar to that found at airports. After that, we watch a video which explained what democracy and set the scene for our tour. Having reached the Queens entrance, the group split into two groups for our guided tour.

During the tour, the groups explored many areas of the Houses of Parliament, these included: The Robing Room; The Princes Chamber; House of Lords and House of Commons. We found out many interesting facts including the history of the government, the government today and the three components of Parliament.

After our tour, we had our lunch in the great hall where many influential people having given speeches, most recently President Obama. Hundreds of years ago, the great hall was also the location for feasts.

On our return journey to the Kings Cross, we stopped at the Cenotaph to pay our respects to those we have fought for our country and sadly lost their lives. Remembrance Sunday was the previous day, meaning that the poppy wreaths that had been laid were still there.

A very interesting and informative day, which was enjoyed by all.

