

Year 6 Celebration

Newsletter—Term 2 2015



We wish you all a very
Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year!



Fantastic writing opportunities!

Using a poem called the Highwayman, the children enjoyed exploring the story using different senses, which led into dramatising the verses. They then wrote an alternative ending, Some of these were really good and are showcased on the class walls. Well done Meerkat and Pandas!

We thought about what it might be like to be evacuated, wrote postcards home, and looked at the central characters and themes around them.

We planned and held a debate showing contrasting personality of a main character from the story, We clearly have some future politicians emerging here!

We hope you enjoyed the Carol singing in the playground, the children worked really hard to learn all their songs.

We were really proud of how well they represented the school at Rochester Cathedral where we joined in with 9



other schools for a more traditional Carol Concert.



Fallen Fields

This term the children have been learning about World War2.

We have looked at why the war started, important people and countries, Allies and Axis. We then moved on to link our reading book (Carrie's War) into our work.

We completed our clay poppies, linking in with last terms work on WW1, making the connection with people who lost their lives in all wars.

Maths

The children have been very responsible ; signing themselves up for extra study sessions when they feel they need them. This system has worked really well this term, and we will be continuing with it in Term 3.

In our RE lessons, we have been looking at the children's representation of a modern day angel and how they would use today's technology to communicate the Nativity message. We have learnt some interesting text talk!!



Term 3 events :

We are hoping to complete a walking trail around Rochester, looking at key features, landscape and use of land. Our focus will be Geography and map skills. As part of this topic, we will be using a software programme called Map Detectives which develops the use of 6 figure grid references and uses a crime scene as a starting point for the children to explore a town and its surrounding area.

Cycling Proficiency week ran really well this term—well done to all who achieved their certificates. We have another group running in January—bring warm clothes—the ladies that run these sessions are hardy souls and will go out what ever the weather!

The learning zones have worked really well this term, and we will be supporting your child/ren as the work gets progressively harder in term 3. The new KS2 homework system is designed to encourage your child to become a more independent learner—they can self-mark and address any errors themselves. If they find a topic area tricky, they can write the questions numbers they get wrong into their planners and we will go over them together.

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ID

Who do you think you are? Are you an extrovert, or an introvert? A singleton a twin or even a triplet? Lets discover what makes you...you. From your fingerprints and footprints, genes and DNA, everything is unique to you, so why do you look just like mum or dad, or even Aunty Rose? We are going to explore the world of human identify and how our unique features can be used to tell us apart from others or help to solve a crime. We will be writing reports, adverts and poems all on the theme of identity and we will express and share our opinions, views and beliefs.



Finally, we know that everyone shares the goal of helping children learn and feel successful, and when parents and teachers work together, everyone benefits. Parents who spend time talking, reading, and listening help their children grow and develop. We would like to take this opportunity to say a big “Thank you “ for all your support this year; it has been very much appreciated.

The Year 6 Team