

Year 6 letter

Dear Parents,

This has been an unusual week, with different children out of the class every day doing their 'Bikeability' training. The instructors were very impressed with the children's behaviour and they should all be really safe riding their bicycles on the road from now on.

Back in the classroom, the children have had lots of fun carrying out their Design Technology projects to build an electric scarecrow. They have created weird and wonderful inventions which light up, buzz and spin when a 'bird' lands on them. I was really impressed with the children's scientific knowledge, their ability to problem solve and their perseverance when things did not go according to plan.

The children all wrote a formal letter to a leader of one of the political parties, making suggestions for what they should put into their manifesto, in order to win the general election on June 8th. Other activities have included sewing bookmarks and typing up a favourite piece of writing to enter into the competition to win the 'Angela Harding Bursary' at the end of the year. In science with Mrs Bowie, the children carried out a 'bird beak' investigation, inspired by Charles Darwin's work.

Photos for the Year Book

Mrs Ayoub has kindly offered to come into school on Thursday 25th May to take photos of all the children for the Year Book. She would like the children to wear an outfit of their choice for the photo, so the children can bring something into school to change into.

Forest School

Next Friday (26th May) we are due to have our first Forest School session. Unfortunately, there is now a football and netball tournament on the same day which some of the children are involved in, so I did everything I could to change the Forest Schools day. Unfortunately, due to some factors in school and the fact that Mrs Murray is due to go into hospital for an operation, this simply was not possible. There will other opportunities for all children to take part at a later date. For those children who will be in school, they need to come to school wearing appropriate old clothing - we will be outside whatever the weather. They should bring in school uniform to change into afterwards, including a change of socks and underwear and they will also need a towel.

Home learning

Next week, the children will be writing an explanation text. I would like them to **do some research and write some ideas** about any subject at all that they would like to write their explanation about. For example, they could write:

- About the game of cricket

- All about grasshoppers
- About the exploration of the South Pole
- About the job of a paramedic
- All about fishing

Any topic that interests the children is fine, as long as they will be able to write a fairly detailed explanation about it. The task is not just to write some instructions, so some fascinating facts would be appreciated!

Please ensure that the notes are returned to school on Monday.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead

