

Year 6 letter

Dear Parents,

This week the children have worked really hard in English and they have planned and written excellent, detailed science-fiction stories. The Maths work was all about calculating perimeters and areas of rectangles and compound shapes, which many children found very challenging. In science, the children wrote about their shadow puppets and we have started to create watercolour paintings for Christmas cards.

As I write, we haven't been to Leybourne Grange yet, but I know it will be a great occasion. It is a privilege to take part each year and it really does remind us all about the true meaning of Christmas.

Teacher of the Week



Jacob was this week's teacher and he had prepared an excellent presentation about Apollo 11 Saturn V. He spoke really clearly and kept the class interested with fascinating facts, video clips and a great quiz with prizes.



Saint Andrew's Day

St Andrew's Day was actually on 30th November, but on Tuesday Jireh and Charlotte (the St Andrew House Captains) led a really great whole school assembly to celebrate the day. They were confident and clear and should be very proud of themselves.

The London Eye

After Christmas, our English work will be based around a book called The London Eye Mystery. In the past two years, we have taken Year 6 on a trip to London to go on the London Eye. The first year it was very successful, but last year, although the 30 minute ride on the Eye was great, we spent an enormous amount of time just walking or queuing. Also, if the weather had not been good, the trip would have been a disaster. Consequently, we have reluctantly decided not to repeat the trip this year, but if you fancy a trip to London with your child over the next few weeks, then a trip on the London Eye really would enhance their learning. Please do **not** encourage your child to read the book though, as it is much better if we unfold the mystery altogether.

Christmas Performances

We are just about ready for our nativities next Tuesday and Wednesday. Costumes have been sorted out, but the church can be chilly and the children have been told what they will need to bring to school to wear underneath their costume. Please remind your child to bring in their extra clothes on Monday for the dress rehearsal, then on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Year 6 children need to be back at school at 5:30pm each evening, in order to change. If you are not attending the nativity, you will need to return to collect your child from the KS2 building at 7pm.

Home Learning

We are all getting tired, so home learning is to spend a **good** amount of time reading please.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead