

## Remembrance Day 2011

Our Cadets, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers were on parade at the War Memorial at 11.00am on 11 November. Representatives from every class gathered with Mrs Cross and other staff to mark the two minutes silence and lay wreaths in remembrance of all those who fought and died for the country.

Dear Lord,

We pray that you look after the ones that fought for our country and gave up their lives for us, if it was not for them we would not be the people we are today.

Amen

Prayer by Toni Grant 6E



## Apple Store visit

On 9 November Y6 went on a trip to the Apple Store in Covent Garden. It was really fun! When we arrived they clapped and gave us t-shirts. Then we got to go on the computers. The man explained what we had to do on "Keynote" and we began to make our presentations. Then they took us around the world's biggest Apple store. We got to try out the iPods, iPhone and Beats headphones. Then we got to play on the iPads and the iPhone - we got to play some fantastic games! At the end we had our picture taken with everybody and they gave us certificates and CDs with our presentations on them.

By Christina Gordon and Shainia Thomas- Ferguson



## Up, up and away!

This term the Year 3 literacy support groups have been writing stories about a balloon that travelled to the moon. This was to support their phonic work learning how to spell words with the **oo** sound. The children read a lovely book called "A Balloon for Grandad" and to get into the spirit of their story, each group released a helium-filled balloon from the playground and watched it get taken up by the wind and float away. We attached a stamped, addressed postcard to each balloon. Last week we received one of our postcards back. To our amazement it had been found in Zeeland in Holland!



The children wrote some excellent balloon stories that are now displayed on the wall. We're wondering how far our other balloons travelled and if any more will be found!

By Rachel French, Support Teacher

## Diary Date:

PTCG Christmas Craft Fayre, 10 December 12-3.00pm. More information in the next Primary News.

## Shining Stars and Gospel Choir

Hi, this is Ashviny and Niamh and we're going to tell you about the new singing, acting, dancing and performing club: Shining stars! Ms Harriott is the leader of this group that helps children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to find their voice. It will encourage children to come out of their shell and grow more confident as they learn how to express their talent and feelings and enjoy them through performing. Here is what Ms Harriott said about this amazing group. "I created this group because I know there are a lot of children who love Performing Arts in primary and with my experience I wanted to help to develop their talents."

Ms Harriott added "I would like the group to perform in different schools, at lots of events and to enter competitions. I've worked with different artists in the music and TV industry, that's what encouraged me and still does."

If you would like to join Shining Stars it is held on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 and for any further information please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Harriott. We strongly recommend you join because as Ms Harriott says dreams do come true if you work hard enough!

Hi, my name is Kayleigh and I am going to tell you about the gospel choir. First Ms Harriott held auditions. When it came to picking people for the choir she sounded sad and said: "It was very hard to choose because I would have liked everyone to be able to join in." After only seven rehearsals we were invited to sing at the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills in Victoria Street in London. The audience really loved our singing.



*The choir did brilliantly at their first performance, singing to an audience that included politicians, analysts and financial leaders. Janis Makarewich-Hall, Head of the BIS Equality and Diversity Team, emailed to say "thank you again for coming to BIS with the choir. It was really fantastic and a number of people have emailed and phoned to say how much they loved it. Please pass on my thanks to the entire choir - they were absolutely fantastic." Congratulations to the choir and a big thank you to Wendi Harriott.*

## Children in Need

Hello Parents and Carers,

I am Sara and I'm here to tell you about Children in Need. Ria told me: "Children in Need is a charity and we are trying to raise money for them." There will be face painting, a cake sale and other fun events. Face painting will cost £1 and cakes will be on sale from 25p. Thanks to Ms Adjetey for helping make this happen. It's nice to know that we can help children that don't have privileges like us.



## Why you should give in mobile phones and technological gadgets

Since we have been back to school teachers and myself have noticed that children are not giving in their mobile phones, iPods or other technological gadgets they bring into school. It is raising concerns because it is most likely that you will lose them or they may become damaged. If you have them on your person during lessons you might lose concentration or distract others and this could result in children's education suffering.

Therefore my advice is to always hand in your technological gadgets to avoid any of the above situations.

By Naychelle Everett 6E

## Attendance update

For the first time in a long time Miss Hatton's class have been beaten for best attendance! Well done to 6W for a very impressive 99.05%! Well done also to 2E who are in second place 98.93%. Nearly every class achieved attendance of over 90% except for RE with a disappointing 84.62%. Parents please remember to only keep your child at home if they are really too unwell to be in school.

Class	Teacher	%
RE	Miss Williams	84.62
RW	Mrs Adjetey	91.67
1E	Miss Reid	98.00
1W	Ms Chick	90.69
2E	Miss Hooker	98.93
2W	Ms Galvin	96.46
3E	Ms Goldsmith	97.83
3W	Miss Bennett	97.86
4E	Mrs Race	94.07
4W	Mr Averis	96.09
5E	Mr Kirner	95.79
5W	Mrs Fairweather	98.00
6E	Miss Hatton	97.89
6W	Mr Armitage	99.05