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used one colour you couldn't use the same stick again for a different colour. I really enjoyed it. My favourite part about it was going to get all the different bits to do the art. I think my dad enjoyed it. He really liked doing the painting because he's really good at colouring in."

Year 6 visit to Wat Tyler



On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week, the Year 6 children visited Wat Tyler as part of their WWII project. Harrison Brooker, Freya Dyne, Evie Raymond and Lenny Raymond (Kestrels) and Connor Harringley and Ronnie Ellis (Badgers) tell of their exciting experience below:-

"From the 8th-10th of November, Year 6 went on an historical trip to Wat Tyler Park to continue our WWII project. The most exciting part of the day was undoubtedly the air raid drill. We sat in a dark room, with only a faint scarlet light to see. All of a sudden, we heard the air raid sirens wailing and reverberating throughout the dark room. Without any warning, a doodlebug flew overhead and



before we knew it, the doodlebug came crashing down and we had to cover (luckily, we survived! ☺). Throughout the



day we had a list of chores, which we had to complete as evacuees. We were rated on our teamwork and the quality of the task. One of our chores was making the bed without creases, with hospital corners and it had to be warm. Another was laying a table for a family of six, one of which was a left-hander. We also washed tea towels using a washing board and coal tar soap. We pegged them out on a washing line to dry. We enjoyed this and we found it interesting that they would have to do that



every day. It is so easy for us nowadays. Later in the day we identified both enemy and allied aircraft. We had to spot them from a distance, making out their origin from their silhouettes; just like they would have to do in the 1940s. You would never know when they would strike and to know they were the enemy is essential. It was good to get out as we have missed our trips out over the last two years. This one was definitely one to REMEMBER. We learnt loads of new facts. It felt familiar yet unusual at the same time." (Harrison Brooker, Freya Dyne, Evie Raymond and Lenny Raymond)

"At nine o'clock we climbed the stairs of our wonderful coach to sit in its comfy chairs. A fifteen minute drive full of fun,

games and discussions. When we arrived, we were greeted by our Tour Guide and led into our 'classroom' for the day. Our Tour Guide did the best he could to wear clothes from war time. Next, he showed us how the war started and who started it. After our lesson, we went outside to do chores from World War 2. The chores included the following: table laying, toilet paper making, vegetable sorting, bed making and washing clothes. When we finished the chores, we sat down in class



and had a discussion about World War posters (propaganda). At about midday, a well deserved lunch was awarded to the class. After our lunch, we discussed the silhouettes of the British and German air crafts. Soon after our conversation, we did a plane recognition activity which we all got correct. With smiling faces, we strolled into a LED lighted barn. We each took some carpet and sat down. We had a taste of the alarm and ducked into the position in case of a bomb hitting. It was a good summary of WWII. Finally we went home after a long day." (Connor Harringley and Ronnie Ellis)

Netball Match vs. South Benfleet





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On Wednesday afternoon, our mixed Netball team had their first game of the season - which happened to be their first game ever! As we were due to start the game, it was clear that a few players were feeling nervous about their debut, but as soon as the game started, the excitement kicked in. Every single Thundersley player tried their best and they worked together as a team to display some fantastic netball. Although the result was not one we were hoping for, it certainly did not reflect the game and how well Thundersley played. Miss Hause was extremely proud of every single child who took part, for not only their excellent performance but also their attitude towards the game - well done to you all! Grace Honey (Squirrels) gives her account of the match below:-

"Before we started, Miss Hause told us our positions and told us who would be captain and it was me. We got to centre court and we tossed a coin and South Benfleet started with the ball. They were a really, really good team and it was their 5th game and it was only our 1st. Their first goal was really good and the whole Thundersley team clapped and we retook our positions and we started with the ball this time. Our team were good because we had some tall players and whenever they passed to each other, we knocked the ball out of their hands. Some of our passes were really good. The positions I liked playing the best were either Goal Defence or Goal Shooter because their Goal Defence was really good so whilst it was hard, it was fun. At the end we all clapped for each other, shook hands and congratulated each other. Then we went back to Miss Hause' class and everyone had an orange juice and a biscuit. Most of our team were very nervous but excited before the match. We enjoyed it and all said we played really well. We're really excited to see what other matches we will be playing in future."

Polite Reminder

Just a reminder that PE kit is black shorts, jogging bottoms/sweatshirt or tracksuit. We seem to have all manner of

colours creeping into school. If your child does not have a black sweatshirt or tracksuit, please just send them in in their school logo sweatshirt.

TPS School Meals

Please note that due to the current situation with lorry drivers and deliveries, the kitchen may have to change the school dinner menu at short or no notice. Please accept our apologies but this situation is beyond our control.

eSchools App



As you are aware, our main form of parent/carer communication is via the eSchools platform. Please find attached details of their new improved app

which we kindly ask you to download (free of charge), in order that any messages we send you are not charged to the school. We thank you for your support.

Twitter

Please keep checking our Twitter feed for various updates/messages:-

@Thundersley_P_S

Breakfast Club & Treetops After School Club

We offer a Breakfast Club (7.45am to the start of school) and an After School Club called Treetops (3.15pm to 6.00pm) each day. If you are interested in a place for your child and would like more information, please speak to Mrs. Bezdel in the Green Building Offices.

Honesty is the best policy!

We would like to congratulate the following for handing in money they found recently.

Charlotte Onsloe (Doves)

Well done - you should be very proud of yourself!

Stars of the Week

Year 6:- Jack O'Dell

Year 5:- Riley Rowland and Sidney Barrett

Year 4:- Isabella Littler and Oliver Cambridge

Year 3:- Albert Longmore

Year 2:- Teddy Thompson and Koby Blackhall

Year 1:- Harry Robinson

EYFS:- Kadey Laver and Archie Whittaker



Playground Stars of the Week

Blake Stewart, Evelyn Payne, Rosie Groombridge, Alexia Lewington, Sydney Greig, Henry Painter, George Cox, Ella Abbott, Frankie Venneear, Dior Selleck, Stanley Beckford and Sophia Jarvis

House Point Scores

The weekly scores for the House Point groups are:-

1st with 2,052 points - Red Arrows

2nd with 2,050 points - Blue Dolphins

3rd with 1,761 points - Green Dragons

4th with 1,652 points - Golden Eagles



Well done again Red Arrows!

Please note that Stars of the Week, Playground Stars of the Week and House Point Scores run a week in arrears.

Uniform Shops

We would like to advise that we now have two uniform shops as follows:-

Penn UK,
15-17 Kents Hill Road,
South Benfleet,





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Essex, SS7 5PN.

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Telephone:- 01268 751724

www.pennuk.com

Danielle's Uniform,
Claydons Lane,
Rayleigh,
Essex, SS6 7UP.
Telephone 01268 967542

www.daniellesshop.co.uk

PTA News

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday,
10th January 2022 in the White Hart Pub
at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

Bag2School

Thank you to everyone who supported this
event - we made £120 profit.

Community News

Sleeping Beauty Pantomime - Thundersley
Congregational Church

Please find attached a flyer in respect of
the above.

Be Bright Be Seen

Please find attached a flyer in respect of
the above.

Future Term Dates

20/12/21 to 03/01/22 - Christmas Break
04/01/22 - Start of the Spring Term
14/02/22 to 18/02/22 - Half Term
04/04/22 to 18/04/22 - Easter Break
19/04/22 - Start of the Summer Term
02/05/22 - Bank Holiday
30/05/22 to 03/06/22 - Whitsun Break
21/07/22 - Last day of Term

*****NON PUPIL DAYS*****

21/02/22

06/06/22

