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Y6 Robinwood Residential 2016

Our Year 6 children have been on their 3 day residential to Robinwood earlier this week. It is a trip that presents a wide range of opportunities and challenges to the children, encouraging teamwork, stamina, cooperation and tackling new experiences. They really got stuck into their archery, canoeing, team challenges, trapeze and giant swing. As you can see from the photos below, the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and got the most out of their trip. More photos can be seen on the Year 6 website pages. I hope Year 5 feel inspired and that as many of you sign up for next year as possible.



Our next residential will be for the current Year 5 children in May. They will be spending one night in Castleton in the Peak District, with a focus on Geography skills and outdoor learning.



PTA Charity

As you are aware, the PTA do a fantastic job raising much needed funds for school. At the AGM it was decided that the PTA would also support a charity outside of school and the agreement was made that there would be a focus on one charity per year.

This year the focus charity will be Sal's Shoes. The main purpose of their work is to collect second hand children's shoes and then distribute them to those who are in need around the world.

In order to support this we will be making a shoe collection every term. The first date for this term will be the week beginning Monday 12th December. A clearly marked container will be placed just inside the main front door for the whole week. Please bring any CHILDREN's shoes that are in good condition and are practical (ie no heels, dance shoes etc!) They need to be attached together with a bag or an elastic band - not put in the container loose.

Thank you for your support with this excellent charity.

PTA Colouring Competition



As the competition was open during the holidays, we have decided to extend the closing date to give more children the chance to enter. To make it simpler, we are happy to accept just Christmas designs, without the lettering for the date, time etc.

Closing date is now on Monday, so have a go this weekend and hand your entry to the office!

Evacuees for a Day!!

Year Five had a fantastic day out on Wednesday visiting the Stockport Air Raid Shelters and taking a historical walk around Stockport. To really empathise with the children of that time, they dressed as evacuees, complete with gas mask boxes and name labels.



Reminders

- ** If your child is going to be absent for the day, parents must phone in to the office. You are able to leave a message on the voicemail system on the main school phone number. If you do this, you then don't have to follow it up with further calls or emails. If you don't call in you will receive a text to remind you to do so. If this isn't responded to, the day will be recorded as unauthorised absence.
- ** If your child is attending a doctor, dentist or hospital appointment we must have an appointment card as evidence in order to authorise the absence. This can be provided after the appointment. Can we ask that appointments during the school day are kept to a minimum.
- * Look out for homework sheets coming home today.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows and the Etchells staff