



Y6 News Christmas 2021

It has been an incredibly busy term for year 6!
Included here are some of the highlights of the term written by the children themselves.

Honeywood Museum

Before the half term break, each class in year 6 went to Honeywood lodge. On arrival at the museum, we went into the billiards room, to learn about the history of the place and the local area. We were shown pictures of what Carshalton used to look like, and how it had changed. We were then put into groups to look around the lodge's rooms. First we went upstairs to do mapping work, to find what places we know of were used for then. We also looked at the census, and who was living there at the time.



Then we played with the Victorian toys. There were popguns, flip books, and a dressing up box, and for most people, the favourite bit of the trip. We then went to have lunch outside on the benches. When we went back in, we completed a Honeywood time trail all around the lodge. We saw Terence the trout, and lots of interesting stuff about the museum, like there's actually a river running under the house. We had a nice time at Honeywood and we would want to go back there again.

Written by Walter and Ronnie, 6P

Art Mural

In early November, artist Rory McCann came school to paint a mural on our hall wall. He has a passion for painting animals and educating people about animal conservation. The mural is a colourful map of the world. Previous to this, we gave him a variety of ideas about what we wanted to appear on the map; he was generous enough to include most ideas on it. For example, the giant pandas in Asia, the highest mountains from each continent and famous landmarks across the world.



The painting took three weeks to complete, as he included extra features, such as a thermal dynamic colour coding. He also had time to complete a workshop on how to draw and paint with each class. Year 6 centred their art around the red squirrel. First, he taught us how to sketch and refine the drawing. Then, he told us how to use water colour paints to do a background and colour the animal. He gave us lots of tips such as lightly coating the paper in water. We were extremely sad to see him leave.

Written by Ella, Joe and Ava, 6J

Road Safety

On Tuesday 16th November, Year 6 started our work on road safety week. Our first activity was to understand all of the road signs and road crossing. We did this with a kahoot quiz. To improve our knowledge, 6P went on a short walk to see different crossings and road signs, when we found them we took pictures of them. After the walk our class had a discussion on what we saw, how quiet roads and main roads are different from each other and how to stay safe on the road at night. Towards the end of the week, we did another kahoot quiz on road safety and everyone in the class had improved a lot. We also had a map to map out where we went on our walk and where all of the road safety signs and crossings were. Finally on Friday everyone could dress up as Road Safety Heroes and wear cool badges. That was road safety week and it was so fun. **Written by Zara and Architaa, 6P**



Anti-Bullying

Our theme this year for Anti-Bullying Week was One Kind Word. We know that this is important because one kind word can change a lot. As a school we also wanted to raise awareness about how bullying is wrong and that everyone is special in their own unique way.

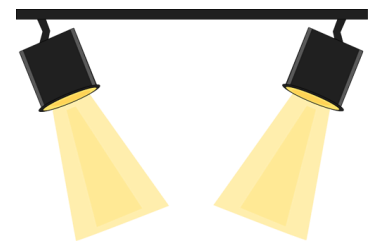
To display this awareness, our school wore odd socks on Monday to show that not everyone is perfect but they are their own special individual. Another activity Y6 did as a year group was designing T-shirts based on One Kind Word such as inspired, caring and respectful. These T-Shirts were decorated and put up on display to show the rest of the school.

Last but not least we all dressed up in mufti/spotty clothing on Friday as it was Children in Need day. We learnt that we should be grateful for all the things we have and that if you say or show one kind word today it is like a seed that will grow into a huge, amazing act. **Written by Anna-Sophia and Jacob, 6P**



6J Class Assembly

6J's assembly was based on the Victorian era and how they lived. The first scene explored the lives of the rich children and showed how many servants it took to bring up four children. Looking at the opposite end of society, our next scene investigated the lives of the children that had to work for a living from as young as 5-years-old. There were mine workers; chimney sweeps and mill workers. Most of the workers had taskmasters, who would assign the children different roles. We also spoke about people, who made a huge difference during this time. For example, Dr Barnardo built a whole village of homes for homeless children and allowed them to get educated. T



Throughout our assembly, we had a range of songs showing a variety of life-styles for children. We had one song for the street children; another about schools, including all the punishments that the students were given.

We thoroughly enjoyed performing our class assembly and hope you enjoyed watching it.

Written by Rufus, Amelia and Oliver, 6J

Netball

This term at SPJS, the netball club has been working hard for our future matches ahead. We have been rehearsing all the rules of netball and all the different positions on the pitch. We have learnt how to gain possession of the ball and different ways to pass. On the rare occasions we have had rain and cold, we have learnt to work in those circumstances! At the end of the skills session we play a mini match against each other to have fun putting the skills into practice. We have even improved our goal-scoring!

Written by Holly and Abbey, 6S



Victorians

This term, Year 6 started learning about the fascinating era of the Victorians.

We first explored the Education Act, learning how lucky you would have been if you could attend school, as Victorian schools only took in wealthy boys. The next topic we learnt about was the Industrial Revolution. We discovered that although machines were brilliant, they polluted the air and many resulted in people losing jobs or hearing. People fled to the cities because the machines took over their jobs in the countryside which led to many families packed into small rooms.

We also used a timeline to place important events in chronological order and begin to understand how they have affected us today, for example the invention of the telephone. We really enjoyed this crucial topic that changed the U.K. into becoming this splendid country as it is today.



Written by Cecily and Abdumalik, 6S



A word from the teachers...

After a long term of wonderful learning, we can look back on some great progress, such as furthering our understanding in mathematics, perfecting our various writing skills and enjoying some wonderful enrichment activities and trips., not to mention some spectacular sporting success. We look forward to seeing everyone in the Spring Term. Year 6 Team