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# 'The Supplement'

## Saint Pierre School's Newsletter



### CHILDREN IN NEED

We always come up with something new and exciting for Children In Need, and this year Miss Tillson managed to bring BBC and ITV together in perfect harmony for a very special day of 'I'm A Celebrity, Get Me Out Of Here' that raised a fantastic £150!

The fundraising day included a number of activities such as a 'feeling challenge,' a 'crisp tasting challenge,' and the all-important structure contest to see who could build the highest and most stable tower out of marshmallows and dried spaghetti - congratulations to Year Six who took the overall prize. It has to be said that the building challenge was the most difficult to judge as so many children were keen to combine physics with confectionery and pasta!

The day ended with a disco for the children, and special thanks go to all of the parents who sent in donations for the non-uniform day.

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# Armistice Day 2016



The build-up to Armistice Day gave our children the opportunity to raise money and have some fun with a whole new range of items from The Royal British Legion's annual fundraising appeal.

On Friday 11th November, a special assembly was followed by the traditional two minutes' silence ceremony in the playground - some classes made their own commemorative wreaths.

In the afternoon, some of our pupils visited the Southend Cenotaph to lay these wreaths, and it was a perfect opportunity for them to reflect upon the content of the earlier assembly.

You can see our activities from the day on our Facebook page, or you can use your smartphone's QR Code reading app to scan the barcode above.



## Early Years Latest



There is never a quiet, run-of-the-mill day in our Nursery, and our little ones have been involved in a wide variety of exciting projects over the last few weeks. They have been learning about road safety and Halloween, and to top it all off they even got to make a model of Canterbury Cathedral. Fortunately, it did get the 'seal of approval' from our resident Canterbury experts Mr and Mrs Perkins!

The children are now deep in rehearsals for this year's Christmas show, and it promises to be a spectacular afternoon to remember full of music and laughter - please remember to add 12th December into your diary for the play, along with 13th December for our Carol Service.





# Mayan Tiles



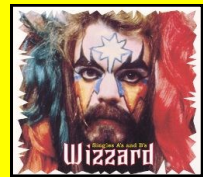
Year Four have been learning all about the Mayan Civilisation recently, and in a similar manner to all of our other history curriculum areas this included an engaging art project.

The children were asked to design and make an authentic-looking Mayan tile with distinctive features that would have adorned any Mayan building at the time, and a number of these can be seen on the Year Four 'Best Bits' board if you're quick!

Mayan culture was well established by the Year 1000 BC, but do you know the year that historians acknowledge as being the end of the Mayan Age? Answers to Mr P for one house point (don't worry too much if you are a year or two out).



# Christmas Video



As if our Carol Service event wasn't already exciting enough, we are delighted to announce that the event will also be the **WORLD PREMIERE** of the 2016 Saint Pierre School Christmas Video - a spectacular lip-synched version of the festive Wizzard classic 'I Wish It Could Be Christmas Everyday.'

We have been busy filming it in school this week (thanks to everyone for getting their festive accessories in place nice and early), and it was also be available on our Facebook page shortly after the event has finished.



# Our Roving Reporter



Donald Trump won the election in the USA, and to be honest I am not very happy! I don't like the idea of the wall that he is going to build between the USA and Mexico, and also his wife copied a speech given by Michelle Obama!

He never thinks about other people in the world, and he shouldn't be the President or even a billionaire. Hillary Clinton would have been a better president because I think she is more trustworthy and reliable!

*By Riham Ahmed - Year 6*



## The Romans



Our Year Three pupils have been studying The Roman Empire at length this term, and this work included making some impressive-looking Roman Brooches.

Although one meaning of 'fibula' is the large bone in your leg, the word is also the Latin term for 'brooch' - so the next time somebody uses 'fibula' to describe a brooch from any other era you have our permission to set the record straight!



## Curry & Quiz

A big 'thank you' to everyone who came along and supported our PTA's recent Curry and Quiz Night - a multimedia trivia extravaganza hosted by Mr Perkins.

The worthy winners were Team Staff And the whole event raised a fantastic amount for the school. Keep checking the school calendar for details of more exciting PTA events in the near future!



## Southend TV

Southend TV is an online TV service that will be launching in early 2017, and two members of the team came down to school to make a mini-documentary offering a glimpse into a day in the life of Saint Pierre.

The video is already available on our Facebook page, and you can also scan the QR code below with any barcode-reading Smartphone app.

After watching this, why not also take a look at our Year Three and Reception children having a go at the famous Mannequin Challenge? It has already had more than 5000 views!



## PTA Appeal

Apologies for already mentioning the dreaded 'C-Word' in this newsletter, but the PTA is in need of some help for the annual Saint Pierre School Christmas Fayre on Sat. 3rd December.

They are looking for someone to organise photos and printing for Santa's Grotto, and if anyone has some spare wicker baskets, teddies and toys these would be greatly appreciated. Also, please let us know if you are able to create mini uniforms on a sewing machine! PTA contact details are available from the office.

## Forthcoming Events

**Xmas Lights Switch-On - Thursday 1st December**  
**Flu Vaccinations - Friday 2nd December**  
**Christmas Fayre - Saturday 3rd December, 11 - 3**  
**Early Years, Year 1 & Year 2 Xmas Production**  
**Monday 12th December, 2pm**  
**Carol Service - Tuesday 13th December, 6pm**