



Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER

27th November 2020



Dear Parents,

Thank you for your ongoing support and help in these challenging times.

With the closure of Hatfield Peverel Infants this week, it has been an even more challenging week than we had anticipated.

We hope that the walking bus has helped the families that have children in both schools.

It was lovely to see how much enjoyment the children in year five have shown this week- their 'Virtual school trip' to the London Observatory was really very special. Their engagement in their Space topic because of this opportunity has definitely been enhanced.

THANK YOU to Upsons Farm Shop for their very kind donation of a beautiful Christmas tree. Just what we need to cheer up everyone in our St Andrew's family.

Please remember coats! 'No coat, no play' is our rule in Winter.

Three weeks to go- have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes B Black



Thank you so much to the families who have very kindly popped something from the 'Year Group Wish-lists' into their Amazon Shopping baskets this week.

We have been overwhelmed with the generosity and I shared them with the whole school during our Shine Celebration today - lots of very excited children and staff!



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to the children who have celebrated

their birthdays between 23rd- 29th November.

Alf S, Alex M, Joshua H,
Hannah H, Frank,

Nicole has been shining at home and in the community.

Nicole (who is in year 5) and her parents spoke to me earlier this term, sharing with me some of the amazing plans that Nicole had been making in order to support a charity which she feels very strongly about. We are really proud of Nicole's compassion and feel that she has really demonstrated all of our CARE values with this personal project. Well done!

Why I decided to help CH^{ESS} Homeless by Nicole, age 9.

Now we are in this pandemic many people have lost their jobs and maybe even their homes so they have nowhere to live. CH^{ESS} is a brilliant homeless shelter, and with our help they can help many more. So I decided to help them.

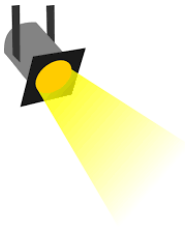
Back in April I got birthday money, I was saving up for important stuff that I thought was important at the time. But after reading about homeless people on the Internet I thought my important things weren't important anymore.

I gave my birthday money and bought lots of things that I thought a homeless person would need and gave them to CH^{ESS} because it was the right thing to do. If I hadn't done what I did then I wouldn't have been thoughtful, being thoughtful is more precious than whatever you take home in a plastic bag.



To watch Nicole's powerpoint presentation on CH^{ESS} please follow this link.

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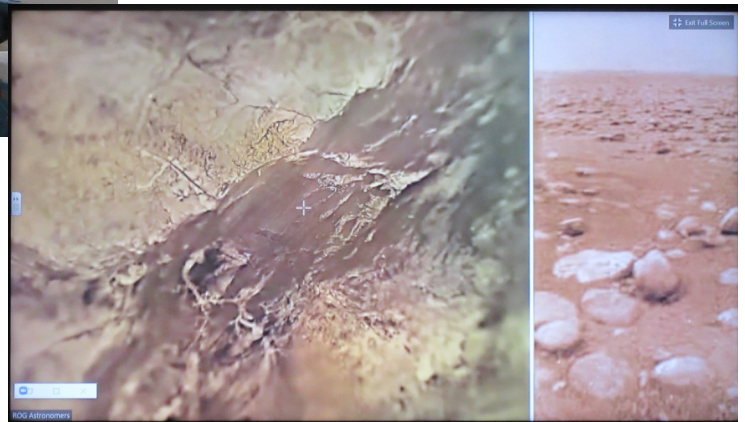
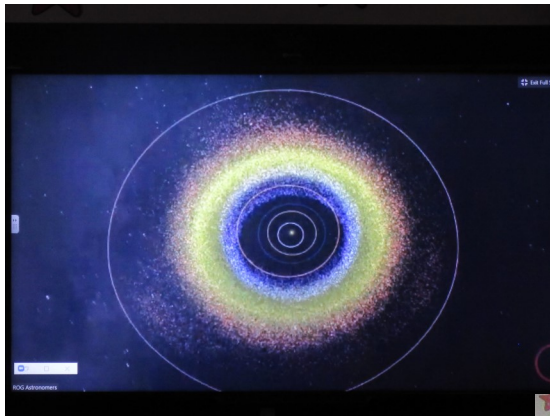
Spotlight on Year 5!

This half term Year 5 have been learning about our Solar System. We have been comparing and exploring the names and sizes of the planets, as well as looking at how they orbit the Sun and how long this takes.

On Monday 23rd November, we had a visit on Zoom to the Royal Observatory Greenwich planetarium. An astronomer from the museum delivered a talk about various planets in our solar system and even showed us the Milky Way galaxy! We could not believe the size of the Black Hole. We also watched simulations of the planets orbiting the Sun and learnt about the phases

of our Moon. Although we could not be at the museum in person (like in previous years on a school trip), it was great to be able to see the simulations on the screen and have an expert teach us.

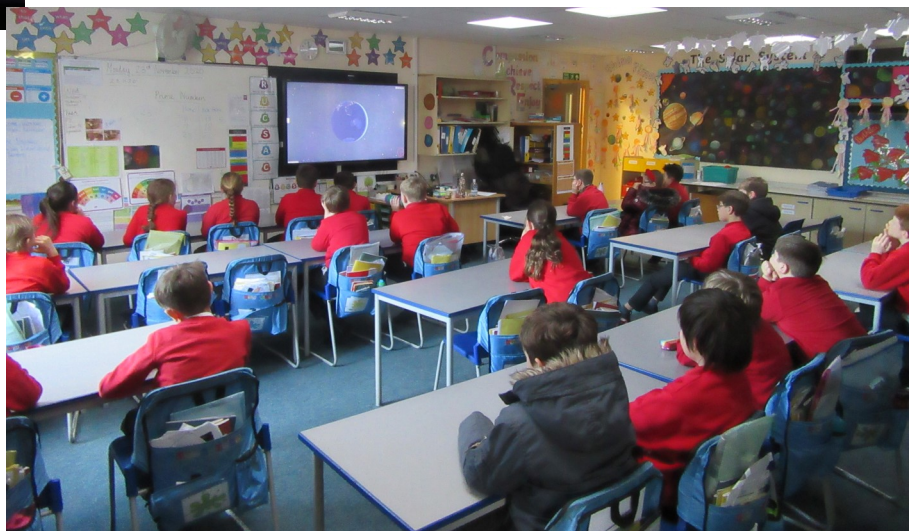
Jacob: I enjoyed looking at all of the layers of the solar system and the planets close up



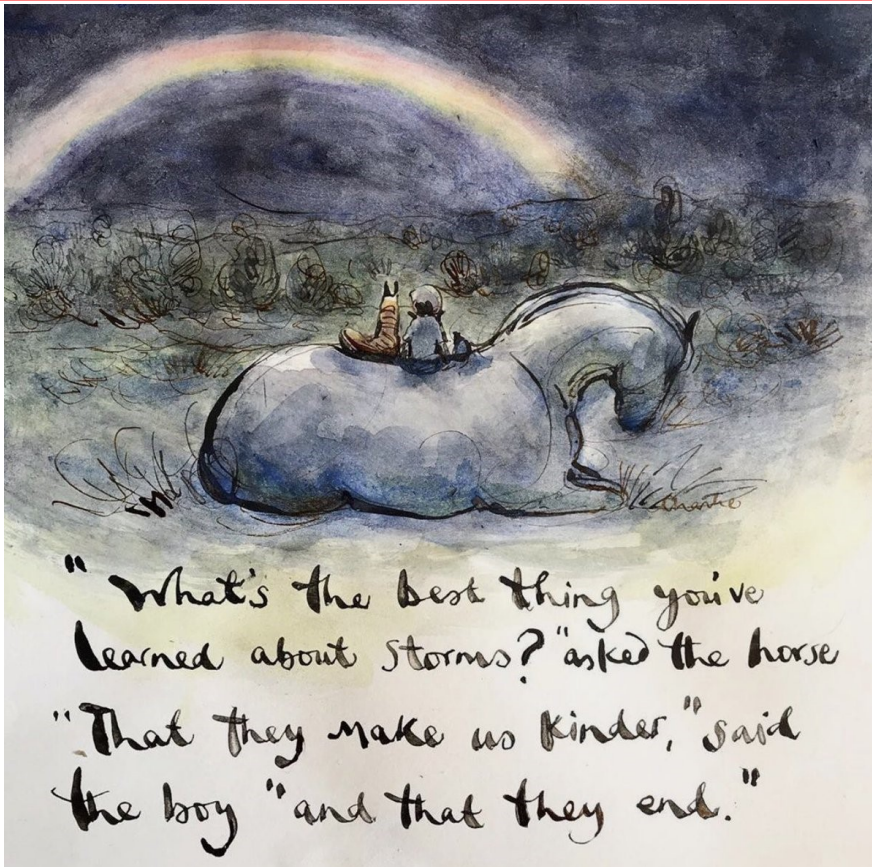
Archie: One of Saturn's moons is called Titan and it has rivers and lakes on it, just like Earth.

Alfie: It was amazing to see all the different planets.

Evie: The seven rings around Saturn are actually made up of millions of different sized rocks. Some are bigger than the size of your house!



Thank you from Year Six to the Rotary Club of Witham



"What's the best thing you've learned about storms?" asked the horse
"That they make us kinder," said the boy "and that they end."

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**REMEMBER YOUR
CHILD NEEDS AN
ORANGE ON
MONDAY TO MAKE
THEIR
CHRISTINGLES.**



The children who have
SHONE this week are:

Max E,

William H,

Sophie G,

Ralphie,

Olivia H,

Sidney,

Charlotte

