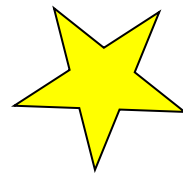


# St Mary's Star



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## *The Big Get Together*

We joined the local community on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate the Big Get Together in memory of Jo Cox. Our year 6 children performed and were then joined by children from other classes to sing and sign to 'You're the Voice'. It was a very special event and we were delighted to be part of it.



## *Trip to Cannon Hall*

Nursery and class Reception enjoyed a day trip to Cannon Hall Farm last Friday. The children learnt some interesting facts about various animals and were able to feed and pet some of them. The children then enjoyed exploring the tunnel maze and the play park. We ended our day with a well-deserved ice cream before catching the coach back home to school.



# *Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park*

We set off to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park. We were all excited and carrying our packed lunches in our backpacks. It was a very wet day and lots of the animals were hiding away keeping warm and dry. However, we still managed to catch glimpses of a few animals. Isla said- "My favourite things were the Polar Bears and the wavy slides". Joe said- "I loved the Wallaby Walkabout". Lexie said- "I loved the lions and meerkats".



## *Reception Presentation*

Parents were invited to watch our presentation about Cannon Hall Farm where the children showed their pictures and writing about what they had seen. They sang "Old MacDonald farm" and ended with a prayer.





## Summer Concert

On Wednesday we had our Summer Concert. Thank you to everyone who attended the event. I was so proud of the children who all gave it 100%. Thank you also to all the staff for all the hard work that went into putting the concert together. Thank you also to SMASH who provided refreshments again. A huge well done to everyone involved - it was a fantastic evening.



## Kirklees Music Festival

On Tuesday June 27th, 17 of our Key stage 2 children took part in the Kirklees music festival. They travelled to Huddersfield in the morning and rehearsed with the other 14 schools. Only a short break for lunch and they were singing again. We arrived back to school a little late, but ready for the evening performance.

The concert which was in Huddersfield Town Hall was a great success and many parents came to support their children. All our children sang well and were a credit to the school. We were even complimented during the day for our smart uniform! Well done everyone. You thoroughly deserved the standing ovation from the audience who obviously enjoyed the concert as much as we did.

Thanks to all parents for your support and help with transport.



# Art Exhibition

Children have produced some wonderful African art work and this has been displayed in the Children's Centre throughout the week. Parents and family, as well as members of the community have been along to see the work and have made some very positive comments. Children have been busy baking for the café and bake sale to raise money for Nyanza our link school in Tanzania.



## Our Special Visitors

We were very lucky this afternoon to be visited by Arthur and Melina from Tanzania. They were joined by Gill Johnson from the Diocese as well as Bill and Maureen who have done so much work in supporting schools from Tanzania. Ruth from our Governing Body also attended. We started off the afternoon with a worship where we presented a book created by our Year 6 pupils telling the Tanzanian children about themselves. We also sang a song in Swahili!. Members of our school council were then joined by children from Whitechapel (who share the same link school) to discuss life in Tanzania. Arthur and Melina then toured our school and were asked brilliant questions about what it is like to live in Tanzania. It was a wonderful experience for our children and really brought the link alive for our school.

