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Dear Parents,

I am sure your children will have told you that they are busy practicing for their Landing Pad Assemblies next week. This year we are combining our Landing Pad Assemblies with Harvest Festival. During each Landing Pad the year group will perform a review of their learning from this term, and then will end the assembly with a Harvest song that they have been practicing. The dates of the landing pads are on the reverse of this letter. Children in the Reception classes do not perform a whole landing pad assembly (because it is a bit scary after only being in school for a term!) but both classes will perform a song at the end of another year groups assembly. Children in Inkpen Class will perform their harvest song after Year 5/6 assembly on Wednesday 24th October, and Donaldson's will perform their harvest song after Year 3/ 4 assembly in Thursday. Landing Pad Assemblies start at 2:15pm. If you are coming to watch the landing pad assembly Mr Wright will open the car park gates at 2pm so that you can be sat ready for the start of the assembly at 2:15pm. I hope you can make it.

Each year the school collects harvest donations for The Rainbow Centre in Folkestone. This year they are collecting: small tins of corned beef, tins of fish / meat, packet soup, tinned fruit and vegetables, rice pudding, baked beans etc. They would also appreciate coffee, tea, and cartons of long life milk, and toiletries for males and females. If you have any donations please bring them in next week. The Rainbow centre will collect them from school on Friday morning.

I hope the questions I am adding to the back of the newsletter are proving to be useful. A couple of parents have been to see me and say that they have used them at home, and have enjoyed having a discussion with their son / daughter about their books. Please do let me know what you think.

Next week is the last week before October half term - please remember the children start back at school on Tuesday 6th November as 5th of November is a Teacher Training Day. If you need to use the After School Club on the Monday please let Di know, there are a couple of spaces left (details on the reverse)



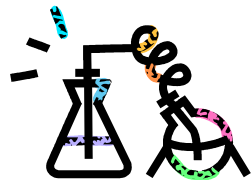
Diary dates

24th October - Y5/ 6 Landing Pad assembly (2:15pm)
25th October - Year 3/ 4 Landing Pad assembly (2:15pm)
26th October - Year 1/ 2 Landing pad assembly (2:15pm)
26th October - last day of term!
5th November - Development day

School Lunches!

Don't forget school meals have increased in price to £2:20 a day / £11 a week.
Next week we will be on the week 4 menu

This week's Science challenge.



Here is this week's challenge:

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/experiments/freefall.html>

Don't forget to bring in evidence of your experiment next week and give it to Miss Sotirou or Miss Dawe (this could be a photograph, your results or the experiment itself).

The photos will be displayed in the next few weeks.

Look out for next week's fun experiment!

Development Day - 5th November

As I mentioned in last weeks newsletter Monday 5th of November will be a staff training day. If you would like to use the After School Club for child care, it will be open from 8:30am - 6pm on that day.

Di on 079 09 935 821

Useful questions to ask your child when you listen to them read at home

This week the questions below will help enhance your son / daughters understanding of the structure of a fiction / non fiction text (good questions to ask when reading a non fiction text will be written in bold)

- What is the information at the back of the story called?
- **Where will you find and index?**
- **What information will you find in a glossary?**
- **What information does this diagram tell us?**
- Why did the author use arrows / bold writing / underline / colour?
- Which part of the text provides specific details about...?
- How has the way the title been written encourage you to read it?

Use these questions alongside the ones from last 2 weeks when reading with your son / daughter.

Notice for parents of pupils in Y6

I hope you all received your letters yesterday advising you of how to apply for your son / daughter's secondary school places. If not it may be in the bottom of a bag somewhere. You **MUST** apply for a place by 31st October by going to

www.kent.gov.uk/ola

The letter I sent home with more details on will be on the website this weekend – under newsletters. Please check for more details.

Half term holiday fun!

Indoor sports and spooky fun will be held at the Community Centre on Friday 2nd November 12-2pm for children aged 6yrs+

For more info contact Tanya the Community Warden on 07811 271303

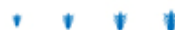
Mrs Hughes Money saving tip of the week Eurotunnel £22 day return

You can get a day trip on the [Eurotunnel](http://www.eurotunnel.com) half price for a car and up to nine people. You have to leave after 6am and return before midnight (both local time) the same day. The offer is valid on Tue-Wed & Thursdays between 13 Nov - 13 Dec 2012.

You must book by telephone (0844 879 7371) before Wed 12 Dec 2012.

Every week - take a peek!

Please check your child's hair for head lice this weekend!



These are the actual size of head lice