Honey, I shrunk the kids!

The Year 6 children have just returned from their very wet residential visit to the Lake District. Having run out of dry clothes after 2 days, the 54 strong party maintained their steely spirit, and put on their wet boots (again!) and carried on with their exciting programme of events and experiences. If the children appear slightly smaller than before they went away, it’s not surprising... they’ve probably shrunk in the wash! Four days in Coniston Water; in and out of puddles; wallowing in mud; and sitting in ghylls have taken their toll !!!!!!! (the children even finished the week with a swim at Keighley Leisure Pool !!)

A wonderful week, with wonderful children— the year 6 ‘team’ really gelled well... a perfect start for the boys’ and girls’ final year at Old Earth

The replacement activities—led by Ascent Training—were, however, exceptional... the orienteering was loved by everyone and the “Five challenges of doom” were the highlight of the week for the majority of the children. Check out the school website for more pictures, on www.oldearth.co.uk

The rain played havoc with the planned itinerary—the gorge walking was cancelled as the ghyll was too ‘full’; the long walk and boat around Windermere had to be re-directed as the jetty at Wray Castle was underwater; and the Cathedral Walk was cancelled as the site was underwater!!

When Mr Winterbottom came to see us about WW2

On the 26th of September Mr Winterbottom came to see us in Y4 and told us about WW2. He told us that his dad was in the war and he even had two medals that you get for serving. He brought a couple of WW2 things in a case including some old shoes from when he was 2 years old and some bullets from a Spitfire. Last of all he showed a photo and Navy uniform of his dad’s best friend who he is named after... by James B

World War II

Cross Country Photos

Every child in school, from the two year olds in Little Earth to the 11 year olds in Year 6, took part—the REDS coming out on top in the end
Helping run the school ... keen to make a difference!

The PTA are up and running again this year. This group of committed parents, teachers, support staff and friends of Old Earth are a vital cog in the Old Earth machine. Their mix of fundraising, social events, Secret Shops, Fairs, Discos etc see an event each half term to enjoy. All their efforts generate in the region of £10,000 each year for school to use to buy luxuries for the classroom and the children.

Items bought over the last few years: Over £5000 computer software; one minibus lease every year (£4000); £12,000+ for the eco extension; plus dozens of smaller items that just add that little bit extra.

Please join our PTA — look out in future newsletters for meeting dates and times. If you can only help out occasionally, please let school have your email details so you can be added to the PTA’s mailing list.

If you cannot create the time to help out, please join our 100 Club — just a £5 a month — look on the website / pop into the office for a form... Thanks!