

## Chelmondiston Church of England Primary School

It has been a very full and exciting end of term here at Chelmondiston. As well as joining the MAT on the 1<sup>st</sup> July the children have been involved in some fantastic work in the local community.

As a school on the Shotley Peninsula we have recently taken part in the celebrations regarding the publication of Arthur Ransome's book, "We Didn't Mean to go to Sea". The children in Thistle class participated in workshops where they helped compose sea shanties. At the end of June, we joined together with the other schools and took part in a concert celebrating these wonderful pieces of music. This is especially delightful as the children were accompanied by members of the London Symphonia Orchestra.



The picture above shows our children thoroughly enjoying the show and you can hear some of the shanties by going to this link: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p056n99h>

Our Year Six have been working incredibly hard. They have participated in a programme called Youth Perform which involved them working on a professional stage at the Wolsey Theatre in Ipswich. This culminated in a Friday evening performance which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The children have also made a professional film! As part of their transition project the children wrote, directed and starred in a film about how they saw the future of education! Their talents were richly rewarded by receiving an Oscar for the best script at the sharing evening during July.

It has been a great year and all the children have been a credit to the school. I am sure, that with God's blessing, the year ahead will be just as happy and successful.