

## A hectic half-term for us...

# BBC Student Reporters Practice Day

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Hello my name is Daizy.

We are going to recount about what we have been planning and doing so far. We have been planning to report about the Christmas rush as it leads up to the special occasion, the trip to Manor Adventure and how the tragic attack in Paris has affected us .

We decided to go around asking our friends how they thought about Christmas coming. With the added pressure on our parents to take care of Christmas presents, we planned to go home and voxpop ( voice of the people) our family members.

So far we have gathered most of the information to power up our questions. The following paragraphs are about what we have done...

**On Thursday 4th** we spent more than an hour after school to work! When we left school at 4:45pm it was dark and gloomy, but we still felt proud, because we achieved what we wanted to do like doing good filming, interviewing people and taking photos.

On Friday the 5th we missed two P.E lessons to start with the editing the video clips. For many of us this was our first time using the video editor Windows Live Movie Maker. We even managed to do some more filming and interview our fellow reporters. For your information this year there are approximately 65 of us in the team which of course doubles the work for Mrs Nguyen! We worked so hard that we didn't notice the time and we went home at 3:30pm.

## ***How we think about what we have done in this BBC School Report December 2015...***

This is Summer, Student Reporter of 7DWI.



This is my first ever BBC School Report Practice Day project!

We are all from different tutor groups, but we all work exceptionally hard. We all work for the achievement of our whole team.

Yesterday I used the camera to take some photos. I was an expert! It felt so good to be holding an expensive camera! (Ours is a Canon 600D.) It makes me feel I am properly into photography like I'm a professional photographer .

By the way I am pretty good at what I do: I'm a photographer and an interviewee. I was interviewed by Donovan-my fellow student reporter. It was about the amazing trip to Manor Adventure, Manor Adventure is a place where children from all across England come to spend some time away from the busy school life and relax and do thrilling outdoor activities such as: rifle shooting, abseiling, fencing ect .

Donovan asked me lots of right on the spot , I was absolutely amazed by how articulate Donovan was about the questions he asked . I was asked if I enjoyed the trip. I obviously replied yes!

### ***This is Daizy again.***

I did so much yesterday! From taking pictures to being on camera! It was hard to take a picture at the right time but I think I did well. I was interviewed about what happened when the majority of year 7 students went on the trip to Manor Adventure. I didn't go you see, but I still had an epic time in school! It was quite nerve-racking asking

questions because I was put on the spot with no preparation. But I had a strategy... I just imagined I was talking to a friend 😊 😊 😊

A part of our story line for this December project is to talk about the sacrifice of the fallen soldiers during the two Wars. I wrote the transcript for Dylan so that he could record his voice for the introduction of our interview with Allan Wood back on 17<sup>th</sup> November. Writing about it was touching. We relived the experience Allan went through as an ex-soldier/ Major in the British Armies. I knew what to write but remembering what he told us was just plain sad.

### ***This is from Dylan- the editor of this blog...***

In this December BBC School Report Practice Day a number of us feel more confident and know better what we need to do to get our reports done before the deadline.

It is quite nice to see the reporters like Duncan, Dylan and Daisy move from being at the front line to be filmed and interview others to 'behind the scene' role: Duncan- cameraman, Daisy the blogger and Dylan the editor 😊

It is also so nice to see all of us sit quietly and watched others interviewing each other. You could never see about 30 of us sitting this way in a classroom, I promise you!

We did not do any rehearsal. We just discussed the topics and started filming right away. It is not easy to keep the room quiet enough for filming!

See you in our next blog!



Dylan – the Editor



*The calm before the reporting*



*Just having some fun...*



*Let's have a break!*



*This is only half the reporting team! 😊*



*The main camera man Duncan*



*Donovan the presenter/project manager 😊*



*The blogging team Daizy and Summer 😊*



*The video production team 😊*

Our video clip is now available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DjmtYMe2L8c>