

# Happening in Courthouse Green.

## CGNIN

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At the time of writing this the year 6 children were busily practicing for their leavers assembly. Our reporters spoke to some of the actors and actresses who told us how hard they had been working to make it the amazing success you witnessed on Monday. We wish all of the year 6 leavers the best of luck in their new schools and thank them for their amazing contributions to our school.

The sponsored step raised an impressive £ 569.07 which will be used to support the purchase of outdoor play equipment.

### Questions:

- **What did you think of the year 6 assembly?**
  - **Do you think they put lots of effort in?**
- **Do you think they will be nervous because they are moving to secondary schools? Why?**
  - **Did you 'step'? How long for?**
  - **Are you proud of the money we raised?**



All of year 6 have worked really hard to achieve great acting. We loved making it funny and exciting. Some of us spent hours practicing our dancing. Everyone had a role and even if they didn't get the role they wanted, they still put in lots of effort to make it successful. We will all remember this when we leave primary school!



# Happening in the UK.



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## YOU DECIDE ....

Ex-prime minister (Tony Blair) has been accused of illegally getting the UK involved in the Iraq War. The war, which is now over, began in 2003.

Look at the evidence and decide what you think....

## Why did Tony Blair take Britain to war?

In 2003, the US led an invasion of Iraq in the Middle East, backed by British troops.

They targeted the Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The American and British leaders at the time said he was dangerous and wanted him out of power.

They also said that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. These are nuclear, biological and chemical weapons that can kill many people.

Not everyone agreed with the decision to go to war - millions of people protested all over the UK. But the British prime minister at the time, Tony Blair, decided to go ahead.



Left: Tony Blair.



Left: Saddam Hussein.

Iraq's army was defeated and Saddam Hussein was captured.

But no weapons of mass destruction were found in Iraq. The mission turned into a long war lasting eight years. The UK lost 179 servicemen and women and 4,500 American troops died. No-one knows for sure how many Iraqis died but it was many thousands. It also left different groups in Iraq fighting each other for power.

A report has said that the UK joined the Iraq invasion before trying all the ways to peacefully solve the conflict, and that the war was not the last resort at the time. It says that the information used to decide whether to go to war was not good enough, and the threat of weapons of mass destruction in Iraq was presented as more certain than it should have been. Because of this some people say the old prime minister needs to be sent to prison for wrongly taking Britain to war.



### Questions:

- **Why did Tony Blair go to war?**
  - **Did the UK agree to it?**
- **When the war ended did they find weapons of mass destruction?**
- **Did Tony Blair try to solve it peacefully?**
- **Why do you think people say it was an illegal war?**
- **Do you think there were enough reasons to go to war? Do you think it is a tricky decision for a prime minister?**
  - **Over all what is your opinion? Why?**