



Barrow Hedgelines

Summer (2) 2021

Nursery – Minibeasts and our trip to the Ecology Centre!

Nursery have learnt to make lots of different marks using various media. We have been practising how to hold our pencils in a secure grip and now we are ready to become writers!

We have used the theme of 'Minibeasts' to follow our interests and use them in our writing as we play. We made snail patterns as we looked at the story of 'Norman' and looked at the patterns on Tarzan's shell too.



We made butterfly wing shapes and made our own butterfly paintings while we

read the story of 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. We even looked after our own caterpillars until they changed into butterflies, and we let them free in our Nursery Garden!



While we enjoyed the story of 'The Busy Spider,' we all worked hard to use top to bottom movements to make our own webs using pens, paint and icing on a biscuit too.

How lucky were we that we got to go on a trip with our teachers and families to 'The Ecology Centre!' We found lots of bugs in the woods and in the pond too.



We used a tick sheet to tick off what we found and enjoyed comparing the different amounts of bugs we found too.



After such a lot of learning we were then ready to make our own books about Mini Beasts and record lots of our marks on paper. We are now superstar writers as we can give meaning to the marks we make.

Reception – Littlehampton

This term we have asked the question 'Do you like to be beside the seaside?' To

answer this question, we have been learning all about the beach, the sea and the exciting things to do at the seaside. Magic Grandad helped us to learn about what the seaside was like 100 years ago. We found out about interesting things like Bathing Machines where ladies got changed in a hut pulled by horses! We learnt about different creatures that live in the sea and really enjoyed the story of Rainbow Fish. We made Rainbow Fish story maps and wrote our own Rainbow Fish stories. We included interesting words like 'emerged' and 'glided'. We were very proud of ourselves!

We also learnt about how important it is to keep our beaches clean and to take our rubbish home. The sea creatures are being hurt by the rubbish in our seas. We were sad and worried about this. We pretended to be marine biologists rescuing toy sea creatures from pretend oil. We carefully washed the oil (black paint) from their bodies so that they could swim again after being rescued.

Finally, after all that super learning, we went to the seaside and had such a lovely time! We paddled in the sea, made sandcastles, and had a lovely picnic. When we asked the children what their favourite part of

the trip was? 'Eating' was the most popular answer!

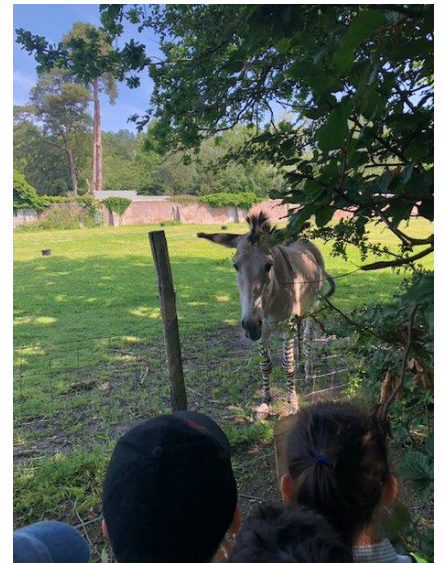


Do you like to be at the seaside? We definitely do!

Year 1 – Groombridge Place

This half term, Year One have absolutely loved getting stuck into our 'Superhero' theme! With a main focus on history, the children have been fascinated learning about real life superheroes, like Rosa Parks and Emily Davison, who we learnt have made a big difference in society and contributed to the world being a better place today. It has taught us new language, like segregation, equality, boycott and suffragettes and given us a real insight into how the world was very different around the time of WW1, compared to now. We used

our history timelines to see when this was and noticed that compared to when dinosaurs existed it wasn't actually that long ago!



In English, we have been exploring traditional tales and unpicking what makes them so exciting to read. We have recognised that the repetitive language throughout makes them such familiar narratives to us all, even our great, great grandparents! We also discovered the 'power of 3' that runs through most traditional tales; our favourites being the 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff', which we loved acting out with our friends! We later thoroughly enjoyed writing our own version of 'Little Red Riding Hood', creating a villain to replace the big, bad wolf, and changing the woodcutter character to our very own superhero, who saved the day at the end! We had so much fun with this creative writing and loved

letting our imaginations run wild!



This half term, Year One were so happy to go on their very first school trip to Groombridge. It was truly magical! We walked through enchanted woodland, where we saw fairy houses, bogarts, and bridges. We loved chanting bits from all of the traditional tales we have been recently learning about and used our imaginations to decide who was living in all the different areas. We had so much fun exploring the boardwalk and showed how brave we were when zip lining through the forest. It was so much fun, even our teachers had a go! We then got to see a beautiful peacock fan out its spectacular tail feathers and couldn't believe our eyes when we walked past the zeedonk, who was half zebra and half donkey!



As our theme comes to an end, we were so excited at having our very own superhero day! We got to dress up as our favourite superhero and solve lots of problems throughout the day.



We have made so many lovely memories this half term, and it has been a wonderful theme to end our year together. Your teachers are so proud of each and every one of you, and have enjoyed watching you grow and progress across the curriculum. You are all true superheroes and should be very proud of your ongoing positivity and resilience! 😊



Year 2 – Kew Gardens

What an amazing term it has been! Year 2 have loved learning about their final theme, 'The Scented Garden', and it really has been a perfect end to what has been a difficult year for everybody. We started the term with a trip to Kew Gardens on the first day restrictions eased. Whilst it did rain for the majority of the day, we didn't let this dampen the mood; the look of excitement on children and teachers alike was plain to see from the minute the coaches pulled up and we had an awesome day exploring the grounds at Kew and all of the exotic plants they house.





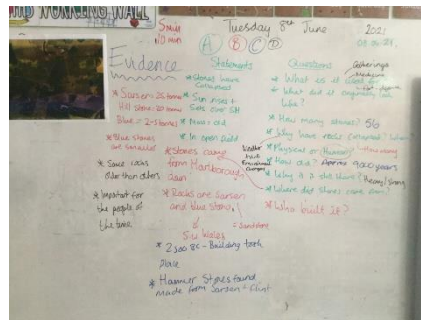
It was great to see children were able to use their prior knowledge of climate zones to support their learning on different plants and, as we've come to expect from this group of children, they were a credit to the school throughout the day. At school, this learning has continued and we have explored what it is that plants need to grow successfully in our very own mung beans experiment. We have also looked at the benefits some plants can have for humans by designing our own salads in D&T with tasty results!

We wish the children the very best of luck in their next chapter at school and thank them for all the happy memories they leave behind!

Year 3 – Butser Ancient Farm

This half term in Year Three we have been learning all about life during the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages. We started this unit with an Engage day in which we took part in an archaeological investigation. We arrived at school to find our classrooms cordoned off with 'caution'

tape and we were given evidence to examine to find clues as to who built Stonehenge and for what purpose. We learned that the smaller stones are known as Blue Stones and were transported from South Wales and the larger stones are called Sarson and were more local to the site.



During our history lessons this half term we have looked closely at how people lived during the different ages and how their lifestyle changed; living nomadic lives during the Palaeolithic and Mesolithic ages and settling as a result of the Neolithic Revolution - Hunter-gathers became farmers. We looked at how their houses changed and even had a go at designing and making a pot using traditional methods that the prehistoric people would have used!

At the end of our time in Year 3 we were lucky to go to Butser Ancient Farm in Hampshire. After a long coach journey, we arrived at our destination and were filled with excitement.

We were greeted by our guides and taken to one of the large Iron Age round houses where we were seated around a campfire and listened to the guides.



We were able to show off all our knowledge and they were truly impressed! After our talk, we began our activities, we did four in total; We made clunch - smashed up chalk mixed with grass, soil and water - and used it to build a wall.



We worked in teams to construct a fence using the wattle method; took part in an archaeological dig in which we uncovered actual bones and had to identify them.



We created chalk carvings by colouring white chalk with leaves and using a flint to carve a picture into it. It was a very busy day but a wonderful way to end our unit of work!

Joseph and Tianya - Ash

Good luck Year 3s as you move onto Year 4 – you have been fantastic!

Year 4 – Bough Beech Reservoir

Year 4's final learning theme has been 'Blue Abyss'. In Geography we've learnt about the water cycle and the role and importance of rivers in our everyday lives. In Science, we've been learning how to classify plants and animals based on their characteristics and thinking about ways we can help to preserve and protect marine habitats. The highlight undoubtedly was our trip to Bough Beech Reservoir.



We were very fortunate to be guided around a working reservoir and learn how river water is stored, processed and transported to our homes as drinking water.



However, perhaps more importantly, we learnt the importance of limiting our water usage and treating it as a precious, finite resource.



A fascinating end to a year in which all of the children have responded brilliantly to the various challenges they've faced!

Year 5 – Chessington World of Adventures

Year 5 really enjoyed our trip to Chessington World of Adventures.



Lots of us were really brave as we faced our fears and tried some of the bigger rides and this made our teachers really proud. We enjoyed exploring the different parts of the park, and some of us managed to persuade our grownups to go on the water rides. Thank goodness we had all dried off by the time we got back to school. It was a lovely way to finish off our school year and reminded us about our learning from September where we learned how forces like gravity and air resistance are used to make rides safe but exciting.

All the very best to Year 5 as they start their final year at Barrow Hedges.

Year 6 -Aladdin Review

By Lakshmi and Sanchit

This year we hosted an Aladdin performance for everyone to enjoy. With hard work from our actors and backstage teams, we have been able to perfect our show as a way to cherish our ending year at Barrow Hedges. In the end, all of our effort had paid off; after 3 days of recording, we performed live to SLT; we

were so proud whilst receiving a round of applause. Year 6 even brought tears to our audience's eyes. Following the original concept of Aladdin (the film), our actors rehearsed for hours each day, while the design team made props from a cave of wonders to a palace scene. Mrs Wood commented that it was one of the best productions she had seen, giving us a further round of applause. This production is a memory that we will treasure and take with us to high school.



Achievements

A massive well done to Hannah who has received the 'Outstanding Achievement Award' at Stagecoach for her hard work and commitment over the past year. She has just taken part in their end of year production of 'Descendants'.



Year 6 Transfer to Secondary School

Below is the table showing where all our Year 6s will be moving on to in September.

Year 6 - Secondary School Destinations 2021	
Carew	1
Carshalton Boys Sports College	8
Carshalton High School for Girls	5
Epsom & Ewell High School	1
Ewell Castle	1
Glenthorne High School	5
Glyn School	1
Greenshaw High School	3
Harris Academy Sutton	24
Nonsuch	1
Oaks Park High	12
Overton Grange School	4
Reigate School	1
St Marks Church of England Academy	1
St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls	3
Sutton Grammar School	3
Sutton High School	2
The Beacon	1
The Cedars	1
The John Fisher School	2
Wallington County Grammar School	2
Wallington High School for Girls	5
Whitgift	1
Wilson's School	1
Woodcote High School	1

*Have a lovely summer break!
We look forward to seeing you all 2nd September 2021*



What parents and carers need to know about WhatsApp (16+ age rating)



National Online Safety have produced a useful guide for parents/carers on the popular messaging service, WhatsApp. The guide has tips on a number of potential risks when using the site such as stranger danger, live location sharing and disappearing messages.

Read their advice: [NOS: What parents need to know about WhatsApp](#)

Tips to keep children safe on Netflix



If you share your account with your child you may wish to set up parental controls to help stop children watching inappropriate or adult content.

O2 and the NSPCC have put together a series of tips to keep children safe on Netflix.

Netflix | Tips to keep your child safe on Netflix

Read their advice: [Tips to keep your child safe on Netflix](#)

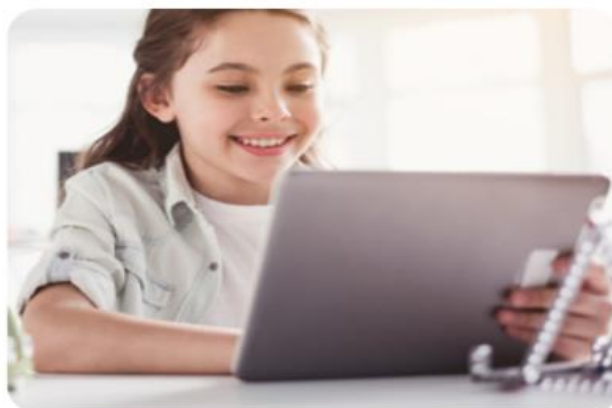
Net Aware – helping to keep children safe online

A parental guide to the latest social networks, apps and games that young people are using has been produced by O2 and the NSPCC. The resources are designed to help parents have more regular conversations with their children about online safety – enabling more families to enjoy the digital world with confidence.

O2 and NSPCC | Online Safety



Let's keep kids safe online



Childnet | Online safety activities you can do from home



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Sporting Hedge

Football

After several successful years in charge of the Girls' football team, Mrs Duffin is passing the baton to Ms Wallis. The season will begin in September, with trials on Thursday 9th September and friendly matches pencilled in for later in the term. The trial is open to all girls in Y5 and Y6 (academic year 2021-22) and will take place on the field from 3.15-4.15.

If you cannot wait until September and would like to do some football over the summer, Carshalton Athletic are running summer soccer schools over the holidays.

For more information about CAFC Soccer schools please go to

<https://www.carshaltonathletic.co.uk/holiday-soccer-schools>

Year 6 Surrey Cricket Workshops

Following the success of the Year 5 cricket sessions, Surrey Cricket Club returned to deliver 6 'Chance to shine' sessions with our Year 6s. There were lots of keen cricketers in Year 6 and the sessions were designed

to improve their batting, bowling and gain a better understanding of fielding.

Thank you to Ryan, Connor and Surrey CC Development for the opportunity and we look forward to welcoming you back next year.

Hundred Cricket

The Hundred is a brand new 100 ball cricket competition that promises world-class players and enough short-format action to keep cricket lovers glued to their seats. The Oval Invincibles Women won their first ever Hundred match on Wednesday, watched by a record audience of 1.6 million viewers, including some staff, parents and pupils from Barrow Hedges who had Kia Oval tickets.

Mrs Sharma and her daughter Bhavya (Walnut) enjoying the game.



For more information on the Hundred cricket, children's holiday courses and ticket information for Surrey Cricket Club visit

<https://www.kiaoval.com/>

Strictly Come Dancing 2021

On Monday 19th July, we were able to put up the glitter ball, dust off the scoring paddles and enjoy an afternoon of dancing with the 8th Strictly Come Dancing Showcase.

Once again, the children were fabulous and the audience were not disappointed and enjoyed an afternoon of glitter, flicks, hand jiving and some diva moments in a fantastic display of dancing by our Y6 classes.

The Strictly journey started after Easter when the children began by learning the waltz. This year we were thrilled to welcome Charlotte Scott, who has starred in Matilda, Fame, Footloose and toured with Vincent and Flavia on their Strictly tour.

Over the course of the weeks, the children worked hard and with Charlotte's expertise, learnt the steps for the waltz, jive, Cha Cha and American smooth.

The children worked in couples to learn a class dance as well as create a finishing piece to perform.

A HUGE, AMAZING, FABULOUS well done to all the Year 6 children.

Our best in category awards went to:

Waltz – Henry and Francesca

Jive – William B and Lola

Cha cha – Dominic and Dina

American Smooth – Sanketh and Alice

Year 6 children wrote - On Monday afternoon, Year 6 competed in the highly-anticipated Strictly Come Dancing Showcase. Ms Wallis kicked off the glitzy show by introducing the guest judges: Nick and James. The audience took their seats looking on in excitement. Then, it was time for the first group performance; this Waltz was performed to 'Beauty and the Beast'. The Waltz was smoothly followed by the second group number, a Jive to 'Footloose'. Following these phenomenal performances, many members of the audience were left a little misty-eyed.

After the group numbers came the competitive dances: the Waltz, the Jive, the Cha Cha and the American Smooth. The excitement levels were rising as everyone prepared to put their best foot forward! In each dance, a series of finalist couples were

chosen to perform again before a winning pair was selected for each: in the Waltz, narrowly chosen, were Henry and Francesca; in the Jive, the eventual winners were William B and Lola; in the Cha Cha, the winners were Dina and Dom and the final winners for the American Smooth were Alice B and Sanketh.

Once all the dancers had sashayed across the dance floor, it was finally time for the finalists to perform a speedily choreographed number that incorporated elements of all four dances. After much deliberation, the runners up were Dom and Dina and the winners of Strictly Come Dancing 2021 were... William and Lola!



Congratulations to our overall winners, William and Lola, who were crowned winners of the Barrow Hedges Strictly Come Dancing 2021 Show case.



Keep Dancing!

Year 3 Tribal Dance

To link with Y3 'Tribal tales' theme, Elm, Ash and Oak class took part in a Tribal dance workshop. The workshop, delivered by Boundless dance, was loud, expressive and gave the children the opportunity to recreate a traditional tribal dance display. Well done Y3.



OAA Workshops

Last October, while the rest of us were on half term, Don from Mole Valley Orienteering, spent a lot of time in school mapping our site and creating 6 orienteering courses.

This week we welcomed him into school to show the teachers how to use the course and deliver OAA workshops to all KS2 classes. The children really enjoyed the sessions and were seen scurrying around the playground looking for Control markers. We are looking forward to developing the course further, using it in our PE and geography lessons.



School Games 2021

After the absence of Sports Day last year, everyone was super excited that we were able to go ahead with our School Games this year. Albeit with a few changes, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 took part in fun activities, including egg and spoon race, sack race, skipping and sprints. Well done to you all and especially to Miss Potter who was victorious in the Year 2 teacher egg and spoon!



Year 5 Tennis Tournament

To celebrate the return of Wimbledon, Year 5 children had the opportunity to compete in our own tennis competition. The tournament, which took place over the course of three weeks, involved over 50 children, including the PE HIPPOS who did a fantastic job umpiring. The standard of tennis was exceptional and all games were played in good spirit.

After 25 games, lots of match points and plenty of cheering from the audience Zeeshaan (Cedar class) was crowned the winner, narrowly beating Max (Beech class) in the final. Thank you to Chris Dent and Carshalton Beeches tennis club for providing the prize of a Summer tennis course.



The following week, children in KS2 came to school dressed in their House colours ready to try their best, compete for their Houses and cheer on their peers.

After totalling up all the points from the 300 metres, sprint, long jump, vortex throws and fun events we were able to crown ENNIS the winners of School Games 2021.

House Points

1st - Ennis

2ND – Rowling

3RD – Barlow

4TH - Berners-Lee

5TH – Branson

6TH – Brady

Achievements

A HUGE well done to Miss Lockhart and her family for completing a London walking marathon. Miss Lockhart completed the 27.11 mile course in the amazing time of 8 hours 6 minutes.

Miss Lockhart said *'It was a really fun challenge to undertake and*



*certainly took some resilience
to complete'*



If you have any sporting achievements that you would like us to celebrate, please forward a picture and a short paragraph explaining the sporting event/achievement to office@barrowhedges.com

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