



Barrow Hedgelines

Spring (1) 2022

Nursery – Chinese New Year

Nursery has been busy celebrating Chinese New Year. We talked about all the different festivals we celebrate and who celebrates them with us. We know that when we celebrate, we are really happy and it is often a time to come together with family and friends. The children remembered how they celebrated Diwali and Christmas and we talked about the differences and similarities when celebrating Chinese New Year. The children loved learning about Chinese dragons and they worked together to make their own dragon, which we all got inside and then danced around in the garden.



We had a special Chinese banquet and tasted lots of delicious Chinese food too. The children tried to eat noodles with chopsticks.



It was very tricky but they all kept trying (like Ron Resilience!) Well done!

Reception – Can a Penguin Live in a Hot Place?

This term in Reception we asked the question 'Can a Penguin Live in a Hot Place?' The children were keen to research to find out. We compared hot and cold places by learning about the Arctic and Antarctica, the jungle, and the African Savannah to see if we could find penguins living there. We had fun role-playing lots of expeditions and explorer adventures. We

learnt adjectives to describe the animal's size, shape and colour. We watched video clips carefully to see how they moved and we copied their movements. We also thought about how they might feel if we could touch the animals. We learnt that the animals were well suited for their environments. For example, the shape of penguins' bodies helps them move through the water speedily to catch fish. Giraffes have long necks to help them reach the leaves on the treetops in the African Savannah.



We used the stories of Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Can You See? and in the 'Tall, Tall Grass' to help structure our writing about the animals and made our own explorer books. We had lots of fun trying new

activities like exploring ice, melting it to save the trapped penguins, building our own penguin school and playing instruments in time to the Animal Boogie song.



We found out that penguins live in the Southern Hemisphere (the bottom half of the world). They live in Antarctica but also in some hot countries like New Zealand and South Africa. They do not live in the North Pole with Santa (like lots of children thought). Penguins do live in hot places!

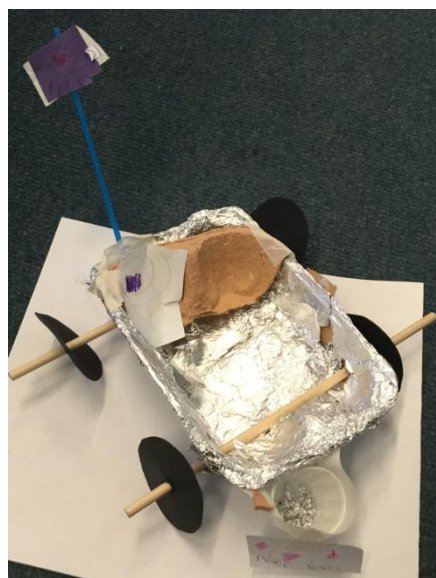


Year 1 – Moon Zoom

This half term, we have really enjoyed getting stuck into our

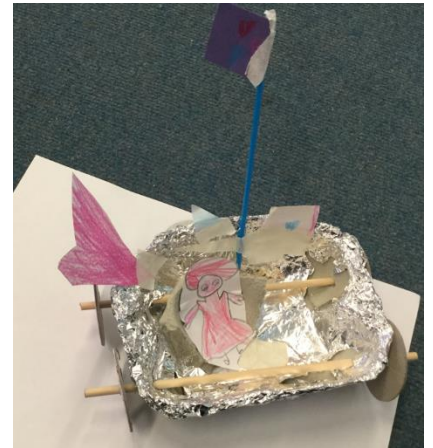
'Moon Zoom' theme. We have been great explorers in History and have loved discovering famous space explorers, like Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake, who have made so many achievements in history. Many of us have decided that we would like to wear a space suit and travel to space one day. We found it very funny that there is no gravity there and enjoyed watching videos of the space station crew floating around in the air and sleeping in special sleeping bags in their small cabins.

Our Design and Technology was awesome this half term! We got to design and create our very own moon buggies that could travel on the moon's crust! It was fascinating discovering how a moon buggy was made and the different components that are needed to make it work properly.



The most exciting part was making a box to sit in the

chassis, for collecting special moon rocks!



In English, we used one of our favourite stories 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and changed it to an alien hunt, where we had so much fun bringing the story to life through acting and creating our own alien characters. Here, we thought of lots of exciting language and adjectives to describe and make our writing more interesting.

We have also had a very exciting and important visit from some firefighters this half term, who taught us lots of ways to keep ourselves safe. We learnt about smoke alarms, and they showed us what to do in an emergency. We got to see all their special equipment, such as oxygen tanks, rescue cutters, used for opening cars and the hoses. We also got to see the blue lights on and spoke about when to call 999.

It has been another busy half term in Year One, and we have all had so much fun along the way! It has been

wonderful to see the children become more independent and resilient, and we couldn't be prouder of their many achievements! 😊

Year 2 – Land Ahoy

Year 2 have had a brilliant half term exploring their theme, 'Land Ahoy'. Nautical Day was the perfect start, where we spent time exploring the lives of pirates, navigating the world's continents and creating our very own lighthouses.



These were all clues for what was to come and as this half term comes to an end, it's safe to say it has been a good one!



In Maths, the children have done so well to grasp the difficult concepts of multiplication and division, whilst in English they have created their own version of, 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' and even written a story using a film as a stimulus! However, I'm sure the children's favourite part has been investigating the movements of famous explorers before them. The lives of Sir Francis Drake, Christopher Columbus and the Nino brothers were fascinating to explore and we've been able to improve our own map reading skills through the study of oceans, seas and continents in Geography. We might just make pirates of them yet!

Year 3 – Tremors

This half term, Year Three have been having a blast during our topic of Tremors! We began the year by

creating realistic globes out of papier mâché and painting them.



We also put together awesome exploding volcanoes out of water bottles and plasticine – we made the lava by mixing together vinegar, baking soda and, of course, red food colouring! It was an extremely messy day, but lots of us thought that was the best part! Since then, we have learnt all about volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis – did you know that the earth has four layers and that the hottest layer can reach temperatures of up to 6000 degrees Celsius?! Furthermore, we learnt all about rocks and fossils, finding out all about igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks. Did you know that there are three types of fossils: trace fossils, body fossils and chemical fossils?



To finish off our fantastic half term, we visited the Natural History Museum.



We explored the different layers of the earth, had a terrifying experience in an earthquake simulator and were amazed by the many fossils on display! We all thoroughly enjoyed the trip, as well as the entire half term!

Year 4 – Road Trip USA

Year 4 have had a busy but amazing half term studying our 'Road Trip USA' theme. We had a special visitor from Love Theatre Arts deliver an engaging and fun line dancing workshop (pictured).



In English this half term we've studied Native American myths, written postcards and persuasive adverts and learnt about the American Civil War. For Geography, we've learnt about the different states of the USA as well as expanding our knowledge of latitude and longitude and how these are used to plot co-ordinates on earth. In Science, the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about electricity and building their own electrical circuits.

Year 5

Stargazer

This half term, the Year 5 theme is Stargazers. In Science, we have been learning all about our solar system, and to help us we had a visit from the Space Dome.

We had a lot of fun watching the stars projected above us and seeing how they appear to move as the earth spins on its axis. We also learned why we have day and night, why there are four seasons and why the moon seems to change its shape over 28 days. We also learned the story of some of the constellations, and how to spot them in the night sky. We asked lots of questions and found out that stars burn different colours, depending how hot they are!

Peter and the Wolf

This term, Year 5 were very lucky to be invited to attend a performance at the Charles Cryer Theatre, of 'Peter and the Wolf' by Sergei Prokofiev. The children have all listened to the music before, but to see it performed on instruments whilst also listening to the story being told, was a fantastic experience for them. Each instrument was played by a different musician, two of these being David Brooker and Elizabeth Andrews, who teach the violin and the 'cello at Barrow Hedges.



Each instrument represented a different character in the story, and after the performance, the children were questioned to see if they recognised the instruments. The Year 5s did us very proud, and the musicians were so impressed with their prior musical knowledge. After the performance, we even had the opportunity to hold some of the instruments! We had such a great time and are very grateful to have had the opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of classical music.



frames, mudlarking and acting like Queen Victoria. Creating freeze frames was very entertaining.



Our visitor would call out an action or item such as the telephone and the coronation of Queen Victoria and we would have to create it with our bodies.



sewage! Did you know children made money by searching for lost trinkets in the river? Unfortunately, they would usually find rat carcasses! We acted out this activity which was known as mudlarking. Furthermore, she told us about a range of important figures and events from the Victorian Era: the story of Dr Barnardo and how he set up 96 homes for desolate children; a visit from Mr Bumble (a nearby Victorian workhouse owner) who read out rules and punishments and some of the many inventions from the Great Exhibition. It was a great way to finish our half term learning about Victorians.

By Ashlee and Daisy,
Sycamore Class

Year 6 – VICTORIAN DAY

We really enjoyed the Victorian workshop that the teachers organised for us.



A lady came in to teach us about the Victorian Era and we played a few games: freeze



She taught us about how the River Thames was full of

Online Maths Workshop

Thank you to those of you who attended the online Maths Workshops on Wednesday. It was fantastic having so many parents participating and tell us that they found the sessions beneficial in being able to support their child with maths at home.

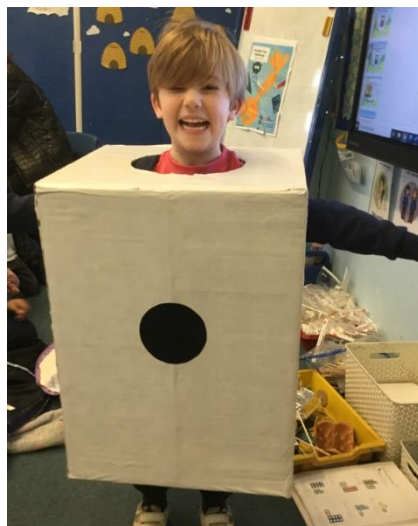
An evaluation form has been sent out to parents this morning. We really value parent feedback so would be grateful if those that attended,

could complete and return this to the school.

For those who couldn't attend, we have recorded each workshop. These will be available to watch on our school website after half term.

Number Day

On Friday 11th February, we took part in Number Day to raise vital funds for the NSPCC. The children and staff came into school wearing an item of clothing with a number on it and we were so impressed with how creative some of the outfits were, including dice, calculators and even a huge Numberblock! We had such a fun day playing games and taking part in number-based activities, the favourite being 'Buddy's Key Challenge'. There were ten puzzles to solve, and each one revealed a piece of Buddy's broken key that needed to be put back together again, and classes competed against each other to see who could finish in the fastest time! We are very grateful to you for sponsoring your children; every pound raised will help the NSPCC to protect children and prevent abuse.



World Book Day



Have you read Miss Wilson's letter about our forthcoming World Book Day? Please have a look so that you know how we will be celebrating!

Safeguarding Display

Following our highly successful Safeguarding Audit in November 2021, we continue to evaluate our practices to ensure that we are doing everything we possibly can to support children feel safe. One recent example is the creation of our eye-catching and purposeful display in our main entrance area.



This captures all the different objectives we cover across our curriculum under the different strands of safeguarding:

"I can stay safe and healthy."

"I am mindful of my mental health."

"I can stay safe online."

"I can stay safe away from school."

Please ensure that you have read the letter sent by Mrs Wood at the end of last term – we are delighted to have been awarded the Anchored Schools Platinum Award for Safeguarding.



Dates for the Diary	
21st February 2022	Children return to school
3rd March 2022	World Book Day
7th – 10th March 2022	Parent/Teacher Consultations
11th March 2022	INSET Day
14th – 16th March 2022	Year 4 Trip to Hooke Court
21st March 2022	Governors' Local Committee Meeting
1st April 2022	Children break up for Easter (<i>finish school at 2pm</i>)
19th April 2022	Children Return to School

Online Safety News



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Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Safer Internet Day 2022 was on 8th February with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.



Here are some fun and engaging activities that you can do with children of all ages to support this year's **Safer Internet Day theme: 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online.'** Work through these activities with your child to help start conversations about life online and make sense of the digital world together. Find more activities, video content, tips and quizzes at: saferinternet.org.uk

Spend time online together

This year's theme is a great opportunity to have some fun and games together! Why not get everyone to write their favourite app or game on a slip of paper then take it in turns to pull from a bowl? Spend some time exploring each one as a family. Whether it's creating something together, competing or watching content, look out for the safety features and make a note of what these do, so you know where they are if you ever need them in the future.



Explore the Childnet website

Explore the Childnet website where you will find activities, quizzes and videos tailor made for children of all ages. There is also information on key topics for parents and carers, advice about specific apps and games, and activities and conversation starters you can use with your whole family.



Whooo helps yooou?

Read the story 'Digiduck and the Magic Castle' with your child: childnet.com/digiduck-magic

Discuss together how Wise_Owl and Eagle_Owl help Digiduck and his family.

Ask your child: Who helps you when you have a problem online?

Work with your child to write or draw a list of people they could speak to if they had a problem online. This might include you, other family members, a class teacher or trusted family friends. You could even practise what they might say or come up with a code word that everybody knows.



Please remember to use our pre-loved eco-uniform shop. You will find everything there from school jumpers to PE kit.

The items are in a good-used condition and are a great way to save money and clothing from entering landfill. The money raised goes back to our school.

If you think you may have uniform that you could donate, please speak to a member of the PTA running the shop at the shed.

Did you join in with the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch?

We would love to find out what you saw or heard. Perhaps make a poster over half term or a fact file about a particular bird you found. Don't forget to record your results on the RSPB website.





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WHAT WILL MY CHILD LEARN?

- Value of team work in the kitchen
- Measuring and mixing ingredients
- Cutting and preparing vegetables
- Learning about food origin and culture
- Sustainability, climate and future of food

CHILDREN WILL COOK RECIPES FROM

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Sporting Hedge

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Boys Football

The boys' football teams have continued their fine run of results this half term and have set up a grand-stand finish to the season. We remain undefeated in all school matches this year. We currently sit top of both the A and B leagues with 3 cup quarter-finals and 2 semi-finals across the Year 5 and 6 teams to look forward to. The boys have fought back from losing positions numerous times to win and let winning positions slip ... only to keep going to the very end and find the winner! It's been an exhilarating season so far and all the children who have represented us have done so with distinction, determination and good sportsmanship. Whatever the last half term of the season brings, we are immensely proud of them all.

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
BARROW HEDGES	8	7	1	0	22
BANDON HILL WF	8	6	0	2	18
ALL SAINTS	7	5	2	0	17
HOLY TRINITY	9	5	1	3	16
HIGHVIEW	7	3	0	4	9
ST MARYS	5	3	0	2	9
MUSCHAMP	6	1	0	5	3
STANLEY PARK	5	1	0	4	3
ST ELPHEGES	4	1	0	3	3
HACKBRIDGE	3	1	0	2	3
BANDON HILL MF	3	0	0	3	0
TWEEDDALE	5	0	0	5	0

Boys 'A' League Table 2021-22

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
BARROW HEDGES	2	2	0	0	6
FORESTERS	3	2	0	1	6
BANDON HILL WF	2	1	0	1	3
ST MARYS	1	1	0	0	3
HACKBRIDGE	2	0	0	2	0
ALL SAINTS	2	0	0	2	0

Boys B League Table 2021-22

For more information about CAFC Soccer schools please go to - <https://www.carshaltonathletic.co.uk/holiday-soccer-schools>

Girls Football

Since returning from the Christmas break, the girls have had a break in matches. This has given us the opportunity to focus on our training; developing our shape, moving into space and practicing our set pieces.

Our success in the League, meant we went into our Surrey Cup match against Cheam Fields with confidence. Having met them at the Borough tournament, we knew they were a strong side, well organised – but so are we! The game started well, with each side having a fair share of possession. For large parts of the game, we

were the stronger side and the girls were disappointed that the 3-2 score meant we were knocked out of the Surrey Cup.

Our next match was a League game against Stanley Park Junior and with Mr Pearce and Ted in charge, the girls were eager to put the recent defeat behind them. Once again, we started strong and a goal from Emilia (Chestnut) put us ahead at half time. A goal from Becca (Willow) secured the 2-1 win over our local rivals and kept us top of the Carshalton and Wallington League.

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
BARROW HEDGES	4	4	0	0	12
STANLEY PARK	3	2	0	1	6
ALL SAINTS	1	1	0	0	3
ST ELPHEGES	3	1	0	2	3
HACKBRIDGE	1	1	0	0	3
TWEEDDALE	5	0	1	4	1
MUSCHAMP	3	0	1	2	1

CW Girls League Table

Upcoming fixtures:

25th February – vs All Saints Benhilton (HOME) Borough Cup. YEAR 6 ONLY

4th March – vs All Saints Carshalton (HOME) League

14th March – vs Hackbridge (CAFC) League

Netball

Barrow Hedge's Netball Team are so excited to begin their long-awaited competitive netball season. The Spring League kicks off on the 21st of February and then our matches come thick and fast.

The girls cannot wait to show off their teamwork, passing and shooting skills.

For nearly all of them, it will be the first competitive netball matches they have ever played, so we wish them all the best. We know they will do us proud!

Vs Nonsuch (H) – 21st February

Vs Cheam Field (H) – 28th February

Netball tournament – 1st March

Vs The Avenue (A) – 10th March

Vs Manor Park (A) - TBC

Beddington Cross Country

On Wednesday 12th January, children from Year 6 took part in the first Beddington Park Cross Country event. The event involved schools from across the Borough and included runners with a

range of experience and ability.

The weather conditions made the course particularly tricky, with a morning frost making way for some slippery ground underfoot. Ms Wallis walked the course, the children were given their 'race plan' instructions and they WERE OFF!



The children were outstanding! Each one showed determination, resilience and despite the freezing conditions, finished their races smiling. They should all be proud of their

achievements! A particular mention to Eleanor, Tom and Lucy (Chestnut); Isaac (Willow) – our medal winners!

Two weeks later, we were back for the Year 3 and 4 competition.

The temperature was slightly warmer, but with a much stronger breeze. The cross country was well attended and included children from Sutton High, All Saints Benhilton, Dorchester and All Saints Carshalton.

Once again, the race plan was explained, warmups completed and the children were set. For many this was their first experience of competitive cross country.





Well done to all our runners! A special mention to Sofia and Sam (Maple), Toby (Walnut) and Catherine (Ash).

Borough Handball

This term both Year 4 and Year 5 have participated in the Borough Handball Festivals at Carshalton Boys High School. They showed great teamwork and sportsmanship, which was noticed by all.

Tracey Millourne (Sutton SGO) said *'I hope your pupils enjoyed themselves. You have a few real 'pocket*

rockets' at handball! They were amazing – probably the strongest team there, though we weren't keeping scores!'

The standard of handball played was exceptional and Miss Zafer was impressed with each player. Well done guys!



Bikeability Plus

As part of a new Transport for London cycle initiative children from Year 6 were selected to take part in Bikeability Plus 1-1 sessions. Despite initial reservations the children faced their fears and had a go at riding a bike – for some this was their first time on a bike.

Well done to Hafsa, Maya and Zaina (Willow); Danyal and Leila (Chestnut) and Vithushaa (Sycamore).



For more information on Bikeability courses in Sutton please visit –

<https://www.sutton.gov.uk/-/cycle-skills-sessions-bikeability-cycle-training-for-children-level-1-and-level-2>

RE Dance Workshops

On Thursday 10th February children in Y2 and 4 took part in a RE dance workshop. It is always a pleasure to welcome Kalpesh (Mr Bollywood) to Barrow Hedges. The children (and teachers!) had a fantastic time learning a range of Bollywood dance moves as well as finding out more about Diwali and Holi celebrations.



The story of the CPFC Academy has been featured as part of a Channel 4 documentary coming next summer. Teddy is included in the programme, which began filming at the start of the football season and will run until May.

Well done, Teddy! Keep up the hard work and enjoy your football.

Daily Mile

This half term we have been super active and many classes have been out doing the Daily Mile. Well done to everyone who has taken part.

This half term our top classes are –

1st – ELM

2nd – MAPLE

3rd – WALNUT



Achievements

Well done to Angela (Hedgehog class) who completed her 11th parkrun (half marathon) in January. What a fantastic achievement! AMAZING!

Teddy (Cedar class), who has featured in past editions, is continuing to do well. Teddy currently plays for Crystal Palace Academy and is enjoying his football, both at school and Academy level. Playing for the U10s, as well as occasionally for the U11, he is travelling a lot. Crystal Palace have unveiled their new training facilities which includes the biggest indoor training facility in the UK. As well as travelling to places like Cardiff, Teddy sometimes stays away from home.



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
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**10/3 – NETBALL VS THE
AVENUE**

**14/3 – GIRLS FOOTBALL
VS HACKBRIDGE**

**15/3 – BOYS FOOTBALL
VS HACKBRIDGE**

**24/3 – CRICKET
WORKSHOPS**

**28/3 – Y6 SCD
SHOWCASE**

**31/3 – CRICKET
WORKSHOP**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

**21/02 – Y3 CIRRUS
FOOTBALL FESTIVAL**

**21/2 – NETBALL VS
NONSUCH**

**25/2 – GIRLS FOOTBALL
VS ALL SAINTS
BENHILTON**

**28/2 – NETBALL VS
CHEAM FIELDS**

**1/3 – BOYS FOOTBALL VS
HIGHVIEW**

**1/3 – NETBALL
TOURNAMENT**

**3/3 – Y5 AND 6
QUICKSTICKS HOCKEY**

**4/3 – GIRLS FOOTBALL
VS ALL SAINTS**

**8/3 – RUGBY VS ST
MARYS**