



Barrow Hedgelines

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STAFF NEWS

We welcome our new Bursar, Donald Cameron, who started on 31st October. Many of you will already have met Mr. Cameron because he is completing gate duties (alternating between Harbury and Radcliffe) on a Tuesday. We would also like to thank Matthew Hart-Dyke who has worked at the school in a temporary capacity.

I would also like to say thank you to everybody who has sent their kind wishes my way! I am looking forward to the opportunities that lie ahead in the role of Acting Headteacher.

BABY NEWS

Congratulations to Ms Cat Davies and Mr Shaw who welcomed Edward Sean Shaw to the world. He weighed 8lb 7oz and was born in the morning.

Mrs Kam Narotam (one of Midday Supervisor Team) also had her baby on 1st November weighing just over 6lb.

CHARITIES



Our charity this year is Pink Ribbon Foundation; you will know this is a charity close to our hearts. On that note, Mrs Glenda Banks (teaching Assistant) sends her love to all and is doing well.

We recently raised money for Children in Need and Type One Diabetes charity. Staff and pupils alike came to school dressed in onesies (or pyjamas and dressing gowns) and we held a huge cake sale in the hall. In total we raised

£1248.33 which will be donated to the two charities.



A special thanks to the Year 4 families for their contributions and help during the cake sale and to Harriet and Millie Huxley for organising a 'Guess the Sweets in the Jar' fundraiser which Radha in Woodpecker Class was lucky enough to win! Thank you for all your support and generosity during this day!

VISITORS IN SCHOOL

Governors:

Recently, our members of our Governing Body were invited in for one of our Governors' Days (These are scheduled in the autumn and summer terms).

Four Governors spent time in classes, talking to pupils about their books and topics and also asking about new initiatives such as Building Learning Power (BLP) and Chilli Challenges (where the children self-assess their level of understanding and therefore pick the level of challenge for their work on particular topics).

Mike Smith (Chair of Governors) reported, "*I very much enjoyed visiting classes and seeing teaching and learning in action. Yet again, I observed a considerable amount of active learning taking place and the overall impression was of an industrious place with high levels of engagement.*"

Kum Thiru (Co-opted Governor) stated, "*It was positively uplifting to see the school in action and watch the children learning. The enthusiasm of the pupils*

and teachers alike was infectious and it was extremely powerful to see, whether in classes or in assembly, the cultivation of the core values that run central through the school. I look forward to the next one..."

Nermine Abdel Sayed (Co-opted Governor) wrote, *"Consistently, throughout all of the observations I made and pupils that I spoke to, I found children to be fully involved and engaged in their various activities. I was deeply impressed with the positive impact that the Building Learning Power superheroes were having on the children and their increased confidence in their learning ability with 'Ron Resilience', 'Rosie Reflectiveness', 'Connie Collaboration' and 'Ravi Resourcefulness' by their side!"*

Carshalton Boys Head and Deputy:

On Tuesday 8th November Mr Simon Barber (Headteacher) and Ms Jenny Gaylor (Deputy Headteacher) visited our Year 6. They want to gain an understanding of the expectations placed on the children in Year 6 to ensure a smooth transition to Year 7. They both commented on the rigour, pace and high expectations during the lesson they observed.

WINTER WEATHER AND WARM CLOTHING

A number of children are coming to school without winter coats and in some cases jumpers/cardigans. Please ensure that your child(ren) come to school suitably dressed for the cold weather.

With colder weather approaching the Midday Supervisors will open a "Warm Room" where the children can go to during lunchtime if they want to sit and chat, read a book, play a board game or do some drawing/colouring.

In addition, staff will now be insisting on children wearing coats out to

breaktime and lunchtime, so please ensure that you send them to school suitably dressed.

YEAR 2 – ENGAGE PHASE By Woodpecker Class



Year 2 had a fantastic 'Knight Day' launching their new topic 'Towers, Turrets and Tunnels'. The children enjoyed welcoming the Champions of Barrow Hedges; King Joseph III, Maiden Marianne and Maiden Abigail. We learnt what it takes to become a real knight and used a special code to find out what our knight name would be! We had so much fun making shields, jousting, jesting and learning a medieval dance. We even got to perform to the King!

Congratulations Year 2 for becoming Noble Knights of Barrow Hedges!

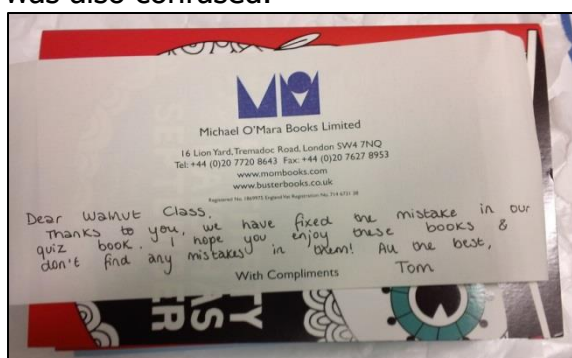
GRECO/ROMAN INCIDENT! By Elizabeth Berry (Y4 Walnut Class)



Whilst looking through a copy of 'Quiz Book for Clever Kids' published by 'Buster Books' - I was shocked; I couldn't believe what I was reading! One of the answers given to the quiz question 20, question 5 was wrong!

The question was: 'Who was the Greek god of the sea?' The multiple choice options were:

a) Neptune b) Apollo and c) Hermes. The "answer" in the book was Neptune. Of course, being a learned Year 4 student, I knew that the correct answer is Poseidon! So I was confused. I flicked to the answer page and it said Neptune! Then I asked my dad, and he was also confused.



I told Mr Dunwoody about it and he asked me to bring it in. The next day, I brought the book in and Mr Dunwoody emailed Buster Books. The next day, we received a reply! Buster books apologised and thanked us for pointing out the error. To say sorry, we were sent a number of other Buster books and a promise that the error has been corrected... What a RESULT!



YEAR 5 – HAMPTON COURT TRIP

By Joe Dunkerley & Harriet Huxley

The Year 5 trip to Hampton Court Palace was royally amazing! We learnt lots about the Tudor. For example, did

you know that Henry VIII used to have an 81cm waist?

At the start our day, we met Dan who was our workshop leader. In the workshop we got to see a few parts of authentic Tudor armour.



After the workshop, we explored the grounds of Hampton Court - it was enormous! We got to see the 'Young Henry exhibition'; he changed considerably as he got older! From portraits to tapestries, they had it all and it was so detailed. The weapon room was epic - there were guns, swords, spears and more.

Another interesting room was the dining room. We learnt lots of interesting facts including that it was used for three purposes: for servants to eat in, for servants to sleep in and for Henry VIII's parties!

Overall, the trip was amazing, we learnt a lot and loved it too!

YEAR 2 – TOWER OF LONDON TRIP

By Kingfisher Class

On Friday 11th November Year 2 went



to the Tower of London as part of their 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets' topic. We were really excited as we got closer to London on the coach. We

investigated the Bloody Tower where prisoners were kept, The White Tower which was filled

with armour and saw the amazing Crown Jewels. Our favourite part was looking at all the detail in the precious swords, held in The White Tower. We had an amazing day filled with shocks and surprises!

YEAR 3 – GROVE PARK TRIP

By Leila Dyson – Ash Class



When we went to Grove Park, we learnt about different types of forces on the park equipment. The forces were push, pull, gravity and friction. Then, we went on a metal walk and we found that there were a lot of different metals in our local area. Some were stronger than others!

INFORMATION FROM OTHER AGENCIES:

SUTTON FOSTER CARE

The London Borough of Sutton are reaching out to residents who are able to offer a safe, loving and warm home for children in care. Do you feel you could make a difference to a child's life or maybe you know someone that could?

If your over the age of 21, have a spare bedroom and could offer a child your time, then we would love to hear from you.

Please call 0800 112 3644 for more information and to book yourself onto our next Fostering Information Session. Alternatively, please feel free to visit

<http://www.fosterin.london/sutton> or email us at info@suttonfostering.gov.uk

WHAT DO SCHOOL NURSES DO?

School Nurses are registered nurses who have professional experience in supporting the health needs of all school aged children. They work as part of a skill mix team of specialist practitioners, school staff nurses, nursery nurses and support workers. They continue the work of the Health Visitor in promoting good health and prevention of illness in the school aged population. This is in line with the Department of Health 'Healthy Child Programme'.

The school nursing team works with parents, carers, children and young people of school age providing advice and support on areas such as:

- Parenting
- Children with special needs and complex health needs
- Sleep/behaviour
- Allergies and asthma
- Development
- Eating problems
- Alcohol, drugs and smoking
- Emotional and mental health issues
- Sexual health and relationships

What else can your School Nurse team offer?

- National Child Measurement programme
- PSHE in schools
- Enuresis clinics
- Supporting health needs in school
- Safeguarding
- Healthy weight programme
- Confidential health advice
- Home visits
- Referral to other specialists

When to expect to see your School Nurse team:

Your school nurse will contact you at the following stages:

When your child starts in:

Reception – we will ask you to fill in a health questionnaire about your child's health. We will also ask for your consent to see your child in school to be weighed and measured. If you identify that your child has some health needs, we will contact you to discuss further and possibly arrange to meet with you.

Year 6 – we will offer you the opportunity to have your child weighed and measured again

In addition: A member of the School Nursing team may meet with you at the school's parent/teacher afternoons and evenings.

You can contact us at any time to discuss your child or young person's health needs.

Other contacts will occur according to individual need.

Who do we work with?

We often work with other agencies in the best interests of families, including, education staff, GPs, health visitors, speech therapists, hospital staff, therapists and both children and adult social services.

We may share confidential information with these agencies with your consent. We will only share information without permission when we have a duty of care due to serious concerns about the welfare or safety of a child or young person.

Healthy Child Programme

Your community

All communities offer a range of services for children and families. Parent's and carers are welcome to access the school nurse at school, children's centres and other community locations or the school nurse may visit your family at home.

Universal Services

The school nursing team provides the Healthy Child Programme to promote healthy lifestyles for children, young

people and their families. They offer support through a variety of public health initiatives, both in school and the local community.

Universal Plus

The school nursing team offers a swift response to specific health concerns, long term issues and additional health needs. They provide care plans for children in schools who have conditions such as diabetes, allergies, epilepsy and other health needs. The team also ensures that school staff have sufficient training to safely support your child or young person in school.

Universal partnership plus

School nurses support children, families and young people with complex physical and emotional health needs over a period of time in collaboration with other services, including specialist health services, the local authority, Youth Justice System and voluntary organisations.

Contact them on: 020 8915 6877

Rmh-tr.SchoolNursesSutton@nhs.net

ARRIVING AND PICKING UP

Please remember that Harbury and Radcliffe Gates are only opened at 8:40am; we have noticed some children arriving as early as 8:25am when they are not supervised.

Also, only parents/carers of Early Years (Reception and Nursery) children should be escorting the children from Harbury or Radcliffe Gates to the Early Years gates. All children from other Year Groups should say goodbye at the gate and continue unsupervised around to their classroom. If you need to communicate with the Class Teacher about anything please use the Home School Liaison Book and encourage your child to show the note to the teacher on arrival in the classroom. If you require a meeting please email via the office office@barrowhedges.com

with the subject header marked for the attention of the Class Teacher.



Please could we politely remind parents to ensure their children ride their scooters safely on the way to school and remember to dismount when they have reached the gate. (Other parents have pointed out the

some children are arriving at high speed at the school gates and nearly knocking in to others arriving on foot). Also at the end of the day children with scooters and bicycles are asked to wait to ride them when they have left the school premises.

PARKING

We have been informed AGAIN about parents/carers being inconsiderate when dropping off and picking up. The latest letter from a resident (who also happens to be a parent) states they have put a drive in in front of their house in order to be able to come and go in their car as they please. Recently one of our parents have parked across the drive and then when they were challenged they stated "it wasn't illegal". Please remember we want to have a positive relationship with our local residents so once again ask you to please park with consideration and if a neighbour speaks please can you hear what they have to say.

You will have been told more about the measures the school has taken to encourage safer driving from Miss Kim Duffin (our School Travel Plan Co-ordinator).

SICKNESS AND DIARRHOEA

A gentle reminder that if your child has had sickness and/or diarrhoea they cannot return to school until a clear 48



hours after the last 'movement'. I.e If your child has been sent home from school with sickness/diarrhoea on a Monday, they cannot return to school until the Thursday (the Tuesday and Wednesday being the "clear days").

It is imperative all parents/carers stick to these rules to help us keep the school as bug free as possible, especially as we approach winter and the start of the norovirus season. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to reduce the spread of such bugs.

THE GIVING MACHINE

A reminder please to use 'The Giving Machine' when you spend online to raise money for Barrow Hedges, at no cost to you. It is a website with links to all the best-known shopping sites:

Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis and hundreds of others including supermarkets such as Tesco and Sainsbury's (and even eBay). Just register at: www.thegivingmachine.co.uk



DATES UPCOMING:

Please see the calendar on our website: <http://www.barrowhedgesprimary.co.uk/calendar/>

Reminders:

School is closed to children on Friday 25th November – INSET Day. We have Mark Burns talking to us about 'Teaching Backwards'. If you are interested in finding out more you could look at his biography: <http://osiriseducational.co.uk/staffroom/article/ga-mark-burns-on-teaching-backwards/>



CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS:

Since we are now in November we have started rehearsals for the Christmas Productions.

The dates are published on our website and letters about tickets and costume requirements will soon be sent, so please keep an eye out for these.



EYFS (Nursery) – *Informal sing-a-long (watch out for more information in the Nursery bulletin).*

EYFS (Reception) – *'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' in the school hall.*

Key Stage 1 – *'Lights, Camel, Action - It's Strictly Nativity' in the school hall.*

Key Stage 2 – Year 3 classes performing with Year 4, 5 & 6 at the Good Shepherd Church.



The Sporting Hedge



CROSS COUNTRY

Sutton Primary Schools Cross Country - November 2016 Northey Avenue (by Ms Wallis)

On Thursday 3rd November Barrow Hedges children arrived at Northey Avenue to take part in the second race of the Cross Country season. The Sutton Primary Schools Cross Country includes all Sutton Schools and is used as a qualifier for the London Youth Games.

There were six races in total - Y4 Boys and Girls, Y5 Boys and Girls and Y6 Boys and Girls. Once again, Barrow Hedges entered a full team and, having been blessed with the weather, all our runners did extremely well. Overall Barrow Hedges came 4th and our Y4 girls came home with the winning trophy, having scored the lowest combined score (16) of a cross country team. A HUGE well done to all the children who took part. A special well done to Elizabeth (Y3) for her 1st place finish, Louis (Y5) - 2nd and Ray (Y6) - 1st. Ray will go on to represent Sutton at the London Youth Games later on in November.

Thanks to all parents, carers & teachers who came and supported. Also, to Mr Patel who kindly helped with marshalling the event.

A full list of results and more photos from the event are available to view on the website.





FOOTBALL

BOY'S FOOTBALL (by Mr Buckingham and Mr Pearce)

Vs High View - The boys enjoyed a thrilling and victorious start to their league campaign. In a game with many momentum swings, Barrow Hedges came through as deserved 4-3 winners. With the scores tied at 2-2 after a pulsating first half, the boys went 3-2 down with only 5 minutes remaining. However, they were eventually rewarded for their attacking approach and fantastic perseverance with an equaliser and a winner in the final minutes.

Vs Westbourne Year 6 Surrey Cup - Unfortunately, the boy's winning start in the league couldn't be replicated in the Surrey Cup. Despite taking a 1-0 lead early in the game, they were eventually overpowered by a very strong, quick and clinical Westbourne side in the second half. The boys gave

it their very best efforts though and are looking forward to building on their early success in the league.

GIRL'S FOOTBALL (by Miss Duffin)

Danone 7-a-side Cup

On Thursday 10th November, 7 of our year 6 girls travelled by mini bus to Sutton United Football Club for the Sutton Borough round of the Danone Cup.

Having played and lost their two previous home matches at Barrow Hedges (6-0 and 8-0 losses), the girls arrived at Sutton United buzzing for the



tournament and determined to improve upon their previous results.

The girls started the tournament fantastically with a 1-0 win against Cheam Park Farm B. Due to the excitement of having won; they entered the next game a little too complacent and suffered quite a defeat. Nevertheless, this result was a learning curve and their upped-defensive efforts were reflected in the following game results against some particularly difficult opponents.



Fixtures and Results

- 1-0 win Vs Cheam Park Farm B**
 - 0-7 loss Vs Cheam Common**
 - 0-1 loss Vs Rushey Meadow**
 - 1-2 loss Vs Avenue**
 - 0-1 loss Vs Cheam Park Farm A**
- Goal scorer: Erin Barnes***



NETBALL (by Miss Lucas)

This autumn term has been a great chance for our existing and new members to develop and learn a variety of netball skills and tactics. Despite not having a court to train on, the team have been incredibly enthusiastic whilst working on their skills and taking part in matches against each other. We have particularly been focusing on blocking techniques to ensure the other

team found it harder to keep the ball and it is clear that all members have improved with regards to this.

Well done to all of the Barrow Hedges team who have demonstrated fantastic collaboration and resilience whilst improving a variety of skills and techniques this term. I am looking forward to working with the children next term to develop these even further. Recently, the team has had the chance to take part in matches against other schools. The girls who attended our first match against All Saints Primary School enjoyed having the opportunity to use their skills and techniques in a competitive scenario and benefitted from experiencing a formal game on a court. In the next few weeks, we have three more games against local primary schools which I know the team are looking forward to. Many thanks to parents and carers for taking and collecting children from games and sending kits back washed and organised!

MOVERS AND SHAKERS (by Miss Edwards)

On Wednesday 16th November, Miss Edwards took ten children to a Movers and Shakers Fiesta at Cheam Common Junior Academy. We had a brilliant time and took part in some great dice-based games, which involved combining our maths and PE skills in a variety of different contexts. Here's what Summer Whiting and Archie Cooper said about the day:

'At Movers and Shakers we did cool maths and had so much fun. We did so many games (such as times it, divide it, animal habitats and lots of dice and ball games). We think we had a really fun time!

TWITTER and WEBSITE



Remember you can follow all the sporting events and activities on Twitter:
@barrowhedgespe

Match reports and information on sporting competitions is also available to view on the School website through the PE curriculum page.

***LOOK OUT FOR LOTS MORE
PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO CLIPS
ON THE NEW SPORTS BOARD BY
THE SCHOOL OFFICE.***

DATES FOR THE DIARY

25TH November – INSET Day

2nd December – Last swimming lesson for Year 4