

Barrow Hedgelines Issue 186

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STAFF

We are pleased to welcome Miss Beki Swinfield who has taken over the maternity cover in Rowan Year 5 as from Monday 20th February.

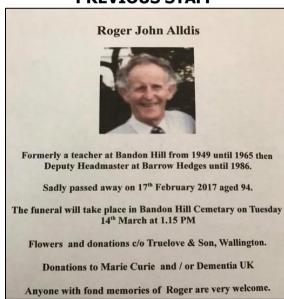
Also we welcome to our Teaching Assistant Team, Mrs Elaine Mole.

We also welcome a new Midday Supervisor, Mr Domenico De Cillis.

MR DUNWOODY UPDATE

Mr Dunwoody has had a recent plate operation; this went really well. He has made good progress and has movement in his left leg; so is hopeful the movement down his left hand-side is slowing but surely returning. He has also been accepted at the Roehampton Neuro Rehab Unit.

PREVIOUS STAFF



QUIZ NIGHT

The PTA hosted another successful Quiz night – this means close to £1000 for the PTA funds!

Thank you to everybody who supported this event. Special thanks are extended

to Nisha Thiru for organising the event with the rest of the PTA team and Tom Berry (for compering), Jill Smith (for scoring) and 'Sugar and Spice' for the catering.

WORLD BOOK DAY

A reminder that we are dressing up for this on Thursday; please remember the "costumes" don't have to be elaborate and there are plenty of book characters who are children so children wearing their own clothes to look like a Famous Five character or Railway Children etc are perfectly acceptable.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everybody who visited the travelling Book Fair. Due to your spending power you have helped to raise £604.14 for the school to spend on books for when our Library is reinstated. Thank you!

Y2 GET MESSY By Miss Marianne Wilson (Y2 Leader)

On the first day back after half term Year 2 had a fabulous day getting messy for our topic 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures!'



The children had so much fun placing their hands and feet into all kinds of mixtures including beans, paint, shaving foam and many other things! We wrote news articles



about our messy day and we made homemade ice-cream which we enjoyed in cones the next day!

Y3 BIRD OF PREY & PREDATOR WORKSHOPS

By Miss Cheetham (Y3 Leader)



Year 3 celebrated the end of their '*Predator!*' topic with a visit from bird of prey handlers who brought with them an exciting variety of animals. The children thoroughly enjoyed seeing and stroking and learning about: Barn Owls, Peregrine Falcons, Snowy Owls, Long-Eared Owls and Tawny Owls! In the week before half term, we also had a visitor from David Shaphard of

In the week before half term, we also had a visitor from David Shepherd of The Wildlife Foundation. He came and spoke to us about different predators, focusing particularly on lions, snow leopards, tigers and "painted dogs". We learnt about what makes them successful predators, why some are in danger of becoming extinct and how we could perhaps help them in the wild. We were pleased to meet 'Augustus' a life size toy tiger.



We then took part in an art workshop where each child created a

collage of either a tiger or a snow leopard in its habitat!



Y5 BUG MAN VISIT By Martha James and Ellie Gobey (Beech Class)

On Friday, we had a visit from Martin; "The Bug Man". On the day, he arrived with two big red boxes which housed many mini-beasts. Throughout his

workshop we were able to hold them – but only if we wanted to!



We learnt about how stick insects are able to camouflage themselves

depending on their environment. We particularly liked the part where he placed his finger between the scorpion's pincers and quickly



withdrew it before he received a nasty sting.

YEAR 3 DOES BAKE OFF By Freya Hillman (Oak Class)

Our Engage event for our new topic 'Scrumdiddlyumptious', was 'The Great Barrow Hedges Bake Off'. Year 3 pupils were split into teams and followed a

recipe to make delicious fairy cakes for the 'technical challenge', and then we decorated our own cakes for the 'showstopper'.



At the end, we took them home to eat them. It was so much fun!



Well done to our 'star bakers'; Millie Huxley (Ash), Sienna Savage (Elm) and Sophie Doyle (Oak).

NUMBER DAY By Georgia Whittlesea (Maths Subject Leader)

On Friday 3rd February, Barrow Hedges came to school in their finest 'Number' attire, in order to celebrate Number Day. It was so fantastic to see the creativity that had gone into many outfits!



Throughout the day, children took part in a range of number based activities in classes, including designing and playing their own outside number-themed games in Year 6, an exciting Number Hunt in Year 1 and making their own number resources in Year 4.



Children also enjoyed attending, and some even participated in, the 'Teachers Vs Children Number Quiz'. In KS1, the children celebrated victory against the teachers - perhaps we will have to arrange a re-match for next year!

At the end of the day, we held another successful (albeit squashed) bake sale, where we <u>raised over £300</u>, to be split between NSPCC and the Pink Ribbon Foundation. Thank you to the Year 6 children, who baked for this bake-sale, and the support and contributions of everybody else who took part!



Editor's comment — Well done Year 3 Elm Class for an inspired theme of '1-30 Things' (I believe it was one of the mum's idea); unfortunately despite Mr Buckingham taking a photograph the technology has failed so we cannot share this photograph.

CATERLINK

Our school caterers have asked that we pass on the following message through the school's newsletter (to parents/carers of children who have school lunches):

Caterlink are now offering unlimited vegetables (not potatoes), salad bar and bread to children who have school lunches. This is in response to comments made about portion sizes in the parent's survey.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the service, please do not hesitate to contact me. Odette Machado (Operations Manager for Caterlink, Sutton. Office Tel: 0208 619 0801)

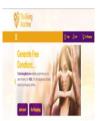
HARBURY AND RADCLIFFE GATES

A polite reminder that at this stage of the year it is <u>only EYFS</u> parents and carers who are permitted to take children round to Nursery gate or EYFS Outdoor Area gate.

For ALL other parents who wish to get a message to the Class Teachers please do so via the Home/School Liaison books primarily (if you forget – send an email to office@:barrowhdeges.com with the name of the teacher who needs to have it forwarded to them in the subject line). Please note that since the teachers are teaching during school hours they are likely not to read it until after school. If a reply is required please give the teacher several working days in which to respond (many of them run clubs/attend staff training after school so won't necessarily be able to respond instantly and some queries require some time to find out information from the children or other staff). Thank you.



A reminder please to use 'The Giving Machine' when you spend online to raise money for Barrow Hedges, at no



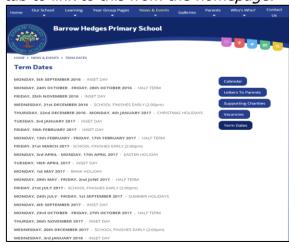
cost to you. It is a website with links to all the best-known shopping sites: Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis and hundreds of others including supermarkets such as Tesco and Sainsbury's (and even eBay). Just register at: www.thegivingmachine.co.uk

DATES UPCOMING:

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

We have also added the term dates to the website. This follows parent feedback that the council website is hard to navigate and that you felt it would be helpful to have the INSET days highlighted here too.

Find this in News and Events/Term Dates. We are hoping to add an extra tab to link to this from the homepage.





The Sporting | Hedge



BOYS FOOTBALL (Mr Buckingham and Mr Pearce)

The boys' A team reached the semifinal of the Borough Cup with a pulsating 3-2 win over Avenue Primary. The Avenue proved a very powerful and athletic outfit and the boys had to defend resolutely for long periods of the match but showed exceptional determination and resilience. Outstanding long range efforts from Ray Benbow, either side of a clinical Oscar Lutz goal, put us 3-0 up. Avenue came back strongly and despite pulling two goals back, they boys were able to hold on for a superb win. They face Cheam Common in the next round.

The B teams have started playing some fixtures and have battled hard in each game. The boys were unlucky to lose at Forresters Primary with our goalkeeper Rushil pulling out a string of superb saves in an unfortunate 3-1 defeat.

QUICKSTICKS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT (Ms. Wallis)

On Tuesday 21st February children from Y5 and 6 took part in the annual Quick sticks hockey tournament at Nonsuch High School for Girls. The tournament is designed to get more children interested in the sport.

Barrow Hedges entered three teams – one into the A League and two into the B league. The B league was made up

of schools from across the borough that had children with limited experience of playing hockey. Before the competitive matches the B League children took part in hockey drills and activities organized by Nonsuch girls and Carshalton Boys leaders. Overall our A team finished 5th and our B teams finished 1st and 7th. Well done to all the children that took part. For more information on local hockey clubs visit - www.epsomhc.co.uk or www.cheamhockeyclub.co.uk

'All the participants thought the facilities at Nonsuch were fantastic. The players performed really well on the 4G pitch and all the helpers were brilliant' — Callum Ive and Harry McGovern.









ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to Archie E (Kingfisher Class) for competing in his first event at the weekend. He has never ridden with other children or been to such a big event, but he showed great confidence and determination. Over three rounds of racing and 8 hours in the cold weather he placed 10th. Well done, Archie!





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 marked

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

16th March – Borough Cycling Competition

24th March - Gym/Dance display

28th March – Y6 SCD Showcase