



Barrow Hedgelines

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SPORTS SECTION

We have decided to include a sports section with every 'Hedgelines'. This will replace "The Sporting Hedge".

By combining the two we hope you will receive more regular updates regarding all the sporting events and activities the children at Barrow Hedges are offered.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

By Louise Wood (Headteacher)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA for their hard work. The recent Quiz Night was a real success. A number of members of the committee are now stepping down, having worked tirelessly for some years to ensure that children, staff and parents enjoy some fantastic events to raise money for the school. We say goodbye to Mrs Claire Adams, Mrs Annalie Hope, Mrs Sonja Hoy and Mrs Michelle Phillpot. Michelle will be replaced by Mrs Nisha Thiru as Chair of the PTA. Particular thanks go to these hardworking parents who have helped us to raise thousands of pounds for all the children.

I feel I must let parents know that the PTA is finding it extremely difficult to secure committee members, and even ad hoc volunteers. This means that it is now becoming increasingly difficult to run all of the annual events we have become used to offering. You will note that we are only able to offer Y2 and Y6 discos and the Reception Party this year and this has, in part, been due to lack of parental support (but also for those scheduled in the Spring term we did not have access to the hall). It would be lovely if parents would be able to lend a helping hand. We all appreciate that everyone's lives are so busy, and recognise that many of you do not have time to commit to being a

full time member of the committee. However, it would be really appreciated if you would consider offering your help for certain individual activities – many hands make light work.

Unfortunately, this year we have seen our PTA fall to less than ten members. This seems a real shame for a school with 685 pupils. Ultimately the children miss out, not only because there are less events to enjoy, but importantly, because this results in less opportunities to raise funds.

CREATIVITY WEEK - BARROW HEDGES CELEBRATES

You will know that the school was officially opened on 9th June 1956. Therefore during 'Creativity Week' the focus was on how the school and education has changed over the last sixty years.



In addition, Mr David Brooker has written a song to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.

The song in its entirety is attached at the end of this newsletter. Perhaps you could ask your child to sing you the chorus?

FRONT ENTRANCE

Many of you will have already seen our new "Display Board" welcoming visitors to the school.



We are really pleased with how this looks and look forward to using the designs on our communication and around the school.

FRANCE RESIDENTIAL

By Emma-Louise Savage & Isabel Addison (Rowan Class)

We were busy with lots of activities whilst away in France. The Snail Farm was great, although we didn't fancy eating the snails (but funnily enough we did try the snail-shaped biscuits). In addition, we visited the Trench Museum as part of our First World War topic.

We also visited a market place and practised some of our vocabulary on the market holders. They were impressed with our French accents!

Whilst away we also took a trip to Belgium where we went to a restaurant, a chocolate factory and went to Ypres – to hear the Last Post.



It really was an enjoyable trip.

ISLE OF WIGHT RESIDENTIAL

By Ezel Inan & Lily Owen (Chestnut Class)



"We had immense fun! I was a little nervous at the start, since this was my first Residential! After the first sleep I became a lot less nervous and started

enjoying myself. My favourite activity was the 3G swing" (Ezel).

"At first I was reluctant to leave home as I get homesick, but as the week went on my nerves began to fade away. I even enjoyed the sights, particularly when we spent the afternoon on the beach! The Leap of faith was extremely nerve racking but I had a sense of accomplishment after completing it" (Lily).

We both feel residential trips are something that everyone should experience (even if they do suffer from homesickness). We would advise that you only have one life, so make the most of it and take each and every opportunity you are offered!

Y4 SCIENCE MUSEUM TRIP

By Fenna Udu & Toryn Jarrett-Cox (Lime Class)

We visited the Science Museum towards the end of our "Burps, Bottoms and Bile" topic.



We explored the exhibits and completed worksheets whilst at the museum.

Near the top of the museum there were games to complete such as getting trains in to the train station (to do with energy) and a space game amongst others.

As part of the day we had a show, "It Takes Guts!" - all about the digestive system. We had a great day!

THANK YOU FROM YEAR 6

Recently, we wrote to several local garden centres requesting donations

for making props for our Year 6 production of "A Midsummers Night's Dream". We are really pleased that Woodcote Nursery has donated some trellis for the garden scenery. We would like to thank them for this kind donation.

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. Just register at:



www.thegivingmachine.co.uk



TWITTER

Remember you can follow us on Twitter: **@BHPPrimary**

DATES UPCOMING:

Monday 13th June – Queen's Birthday Lunch

Wednesday 15th – Y3 Butser Farm Trip and Y4 Sealife Centre Trip

Thursday 16th June – Wider Opps Fairfield Concert (30 - Y4 pupils)

Friday 17th June – Fete Donations day

Monday 20th June – Y2 Kew Gardens

Wednesday 22nd June – Summer Concert

Tuesday 28th June (1:30pm) – Y6 'A Midsummer's Nights Dream' Production to parents

Wednesday 29th June (6:30pm) – Y6 'A Midsummer's Nights Dream' Production to parents

Saturday 2nd July – Summer fete 12-3pm

Wednesday 6th July – Reception Fun Day

Tuesday 12th July – Exhibition Evening 4.30 – 6.30pm

Please note that some dates are published in The Year 1-6 Home School Liaison Books. All have also been posted on the school website (Events Diary for the academic year).



The Sporting Hedge



JUNE Edition Editor: Ms Kelly Wallis

YEAR 3 & 4 FOOTBALL *By Mr Luke Buckingham* *(Elm Class Teacher)*

Although the football season was over, our Year 3 & 4 girls were in action at Sutton United FC for the Sutton Schools Tournament. The tournament was designed to introduce girls to football and encourage more young players to get involved in the game. Over the course of the afternoon the girls had the opportunity to practice their skills in dribbling, keepy-uppies, ball control and shooting, as well as play competitive matches.

Despite some playing for the first time and competing against many Year 4 players, our Year 3 girls performed extremely well as a team and were able to reach the final. In their 7 games the girls conceded only 2 goals and lost only once (to a scrappy goal in the final). They were all incredibly proud of their hard work, achievements and medals! Well done to all the girls!



CRICKET

On 17th May Year 5 boys joined children from Westbourne, Cheam Park Farm, Cheam Common, Nonsuch, Forresters, St Elpheges, The Avenue and Rushey Meadow took part in the Y5 Sutton Schools Kwik Cricket Tournament. Barrow Hedges entered two teams and won matches against Forresters, Rushey Meadow, Nonsuch and Cheam Common. It was a fantastic afternoon. Well done to all the boys that took part.



The following week our girls were in action in the Sutton Schools Kwik cricket competition at Sutton Cricket

Club. The competition encourages girls to get involved in cricket and involved children from Westbourne, Cheam Park Farm A & B, St Elpheges, Nonsuch, The Avenue and Cheam Common. The girls had a fantastic afternoon and worked hard to improve their fielding, bowling and batting (Emily hitting plenty of 6's). Barrow Hedges played well, beating Cheam Common, Cheam Park Farm B and had a close match with St Elpheges, with St Elpheges securing the win by a narrow margin of 9 runs! After a fantastic afternoon Barrow Hedges finished 5th overall. Good luck to Cheam Park Farm A and St Elpheges who go on to represent Sutton at the London Youth Games.



KORFBALL

On 16th May Barrow Hedges welcomed two professional korfball players from The Netherlands to deliver workshops to our Year 3 and 4 children. Many of the children hadn't heard of korfball and it was a fantastic opportunity to take part in a new sport, using skills from basketball, netball and other invasion games. Well done to all the classes that took part and to Nomads. For more information about korfball please see www.nomadskorf.co.uk



PE LEADERS – HIPPOS

With the warmer weather upon us it was time to train the PE Leaders for the Summer term. Also, preparing the Year 5 for taking the reins in September.

Over the course of the morning children were shown a range of games that can be played in the playground, to improve and develop playtimes for younger children. Once the Hippos had got to grips with their games they were then 'let loose' on some unsuspecting Year 4 children. The training was brilliant and all children involved were enthusiastic!! They are looking forward to organising tournaments and activities for children to take part in at lunchtimes.

PERFORMING ARTS

***By Miss Jessica Edwards
(Beech Class Teacher)***

Performing arts is something that we are aiming to promote at BHPS as we understand how valuable it is for children to be able to perform and express themselves in a completely different context to everyday school life.

In line with this, we are aiming to



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apply for the Artsmark award which 'gives every child the opportunity to

create, compose, and perform, gain knowledge and understanding, and to visit experience and participate in extraordinary work'. We feel this will allow the children to gain invaluable experience in the field of performing arts whilst learning a wide range of exciting and transferable skills.

We are now lucky enough to host fun and active dance clubs for both KS1 (run by Miss Wilson) and KS2 (run by myself) and I know that the children thoroughly enjoy dancing their little socks off!

Within both dance clubs, the children are working towards their annual performance at our wonderful summer fair and I know that all children are extremely excited for this – please do come along to watch us.

There are many new and exciting ideas coming this way for performing arts at the school, so please do watch this space to find out more!

SPORTING EVENTS UPCOMING:

Support is always welcomed; with the exception of events where the event organisers state 'no additional adults'.

Monday 20th – Friday 24th June – National School Sports Week

(You will hear all about the events and activities in the next edition)

Thursday 23^d June – KS2 Sports Day – Parents welcome in the afternoon

Friday 23rd June – KS1 Sports Day Parents welcome in the afternoon

W/B 27/6, 4/7 and 11/7 Y5&6 Cycling Proficiency

Tuesday 12th July – Year 6 'Strictly Come Dancing' Showcase 1:30-4pm

TWITTER



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

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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