



Barrow Hedgelines

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STAFF NEWS

We say farewell to some members of staff as you will know from the letter enclosed with the reports. We wish all these members of staff good luck and enjoyment in retirement, travels and new employment abroad or locally.

Mr Tom Dunwoody is still making steady progress and has asked us to update you with the following:

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone at BH for all of your generous support and fundraising since I have been off with my brain injury.

It has been a steep learning curve and taking the positive from the situation, it has given me a better insight into how children learn, having had to re-learn so many things myself. I was pleased to return home in May.

MR PUN'S THANKS

I recently took part in a charity event 'British Vitality 10K charity run' for Save the Children (Children's Cancer and Leukemia Group) and Sutton Mental Health Foundation on 09 Jul 2017 in heart of London.



I safely completed this in hot weather

and completed the run in 58 minutes and 59 seconds.

Many thanks to all my colleagues, friends, relatives, and BH families for helping me to successfully reach my target. It would have been impossible to be so successful without your support. I really appreciate your sponsorship in this event.

EXHIBITION EVENING

Thank you to everyone who attended this event. For many of you this was your first opportunity to visit the new build and to see the Studio Hall, Peripatetic/small group rooms and the Discovery Hub and Learning Zone (housing the Non-Fiction Library Books). This is by no means the finished article and we look forward to getting murals painted on the walls and furnishing the Discovery Hub with beanbags and soft furnishings to make it more akin to media hubs. We hope that as the academic year 2017-18 progresses you will see how these areas develop as well as the outdoor spaces.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

This morning the Year 6 pupils recounted some of their memories of attending BHPS. There were tears both of laughter and sadness as selected pupils read out their memories.

Mrs Wood and Mr Smith (Chair of Governors) both spoke to the audience about the pride we feel towards the young people the Y6 pupils have become. We know they are well prepared for secondary school and look forward to hearing whether they realise their ambitions (pro-footballer was a firm favourite in this cohort, but also scientist, vet, performer and many others were mentioned).

SCHOOL FUND

A polite reminder about making a contribution to our School Fund of £15 per family via Parent Pay. This would be very much appreciated.

Y3 TRIP TO BUTSER FARM *By Thomas Hughes & Ava Giles* *(Elm Class)*



Recently, we visited Butser Farm as part of our "Tribal Tales" topic. When we visited we made wattle and daub and crushed up some sedimentary rocks.



We also made a fence by weaving branches together and some jewellery from metal (using pliers to twist it).



Later we spun some wool on a spindle which we then made in to bracelets.



JUNIOR CHOIR ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

By Susanne Richa & Aanvi Ajmani *(Walnut Class)*

Yesterday, the choir went to the Royal Festival Hall with a number of other children from various Sutton Schools. We had a singing workshop during the afternoon which was very enjoyable and funny because the person who was leading the singing was making funny remarks and keeping everyone entertained.

During the evening performance we sang a series of songs which we had practised and learnt over the term. There were lots of exciting performances during the evening such as pianists, drummers, bands and not forgetting the massed choir.

It was a wonderful experience and we cannot wait to perform in more concerts next year!

Y4 STRING FEST

By Adam Hutchinson and Elizabeth Berry *(Walnut Class)*

Last week, thirty Year 4 children from across the three classes performed to parents and carers at St Andrews.

We performed two songs on the violins and cellos ('4X4' and 'Popcorn Pizza') and a grand finale where all the performers sang 'Let Love Shine Through'.

I (Elizabeth) also performed in the young musician string group with children from across the borough.

Y4 CONCERT

In addition, all three Year 4 classes performed to their parents and carers in the school hall. The performances demonstrated how adept all the pupils have become at playing the violin/cellos.

SUMMER FETE

Thank you to all who attended the Summer fete; both spending money during the day and helping set up and clear away as well as manning stalls.

The PTA worked hard to ensure the day is fun for all the family. Thanks to them.

Thank you also to the staff who attended, helped and led dances and the Hat Parade.

MULTICULTURAL DAY

By Joe Pearce

(English as an Additional Language [EAL] Leader)

On Tuesday 18th July, Barrow Hedges celebrated Multicultural Day. It was a day to celebrate all the different cultures we have at Barrow Hedges and explore some new ones too. Every Year Group focused their attention on a different culture and produced something to be showcased at the end of the Day. There were lots of different things to see, from Greek dancing in Year 2 to a full-blown carnival with outfits in Year 6.



As well as this, Barrow Hedges was lucky enough to host Adrian from Bigfoot. He performed a magical one-man-show based on the story of Anansi which all the children enjoyed. Some lucky individuals even found themselves centre stage, taking on the role of Nyame whilst others from Year 2 and 3 completed a workshop with Adrian. It was a brilliant day and we had amazing time exploring new cultures.



ONLINE SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOPS

By Jenny Aird

(Online Safety Leader)

On Monday 17th July we held an 'Online Safety Workshop' for parents and carers at Barrow Hedges. This was delivered by

Steve Welding, Education E-Safety Adviser for Sutton. Steve works closely with our school and has recently delivered workshops to our Year 5 and 6 pupils.

Ensuring children's safety online is an increasing issue and one that we are keen to support parents with. Steve discussed issues such as, monitoring screen time, teaching children to question what they read or see online and having regular conversations about online habits. He also shared some interesting statistics as part of the workshop e.g "28% of 3 to 4 year olds use tablets". This makes it essential that we educate our children and teach them how to use the Internet safely.

If you were unable to attend, the presentation can be found on the school website.

STAGECOACH

Some pupils in Cedar Class recently performed in the end of year show - High School Musical. They were awarded for outstanding achievement: one each for dance, drama and singing, and one for overall achievement.



Leila R got the award for singing, Phoebe M the award for dance and Emma S the overall award. These awards are across the entire company of approximately 100 students so it's quite rare to get one. They've all worked really hard this year and the awards are well-deserved!

LOST PROPERTY

Please look through lost property tomorrow; Mr Holt will be putting it out under the shelter in the playground. Any unclaimed items will be disposed of.

PIERCED EARS

A reminder that we do not allow earrings to be worn at school. If you are considering getting your child's ears pierced over the summer holidays please do so early on so your child is able to remove them when they return to school in September. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



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/>

May I take this opportunity to wish all our families an enjoyable summer.



The Sporting Hedge



Editor: Miss Kelly Wallis
MINI OLYMPICS

On Friday 7th July 2017 Y5 took part in the Mini Olympic event at Stanley Park High School. The annual event involves children from Barrow Hedges, Stanley Park and Holy Trinity. This year Barrow Hedges were representing Canada, Australia and Brazil.

'There were events such as; long jump, relay, 100m sprint and many, many more. Rowan - Australia, Beech - Brazil and Cedar - Canada. Stanley Park finished 1st overall with Australia (Cedar) 2nd. Overall everyone enjoyed it and it was a day never to forget!'

Written by Theo and Freddie

ROUNDERS AND RELAYS

On Wednesday 12th July 2017 our Y6 children were invited to take part in a Rounder's and Relay event at Overton Grange High School. The event, organised by Overton Grange students, included rounder's matches, short relay events and fun, team activities.

Well done to all our Y6 for showing excellent collaboration and enthusiasm for the morning activities!

I CAN FESTIVAL



This year the last event of the sporting calendar was the 'I can Festival' at St

Mary's Junior School. The festival was a fantastic opportunity for children to have a go at a range of different activities, including – popcorn parachute, curling, boccia and goal ball. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and were thrilled with their 'I can' certificates!

JUNIOR FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

This year our annual Junior Football Tournament was bigger than ever, with over 170 children taking part. Children from Y4-6 were split into teams of 7 and given a Champions League team name.

There were over 75 matches played in total, with each team playing a minimum of 5 matches. A huge thank you to our referees – Aiden, Charlie, Nathan and Sam.

Well done to Napoli, who beat PSG in the final 1-0.



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

DATES FOR THE DIARY

1st September - PMX Club information sent out

8th September – Football trials

12th September – Deadline for club applications

15th September – Y4 swimming

18th September – Clubs start