



Barrow Hedgelines

Summer (1) 2019

Nursery – Ecology Centre

On Tuesday 21st May, Nursery went on a trip to the Ecology Centre in Carshalton. We had a lovely day, hunting for insects and pond dipping.



We found lots of interesting animals; newts, ladybirds, beetles, and even a slow worm.



We enjoyed talking about what we could see, hear and feel as we investigated the world of mini-beasts. Sophie said, "I found a water snail in

the pond. And I found a woodlouse. It had 14 legs."

Reception – Tea Party

You will not believe what has happened in Reception this half term. We all came to school dressed in our finest fairytale costumes and enjoyed a tea party, eating biscuits and dancing to music. We guessed which book each other was from.



Then the children found a beautiful, shiny, glass slipper with a message from Prince Charming. He needed our



help to find his one true love. We were all really excited to help him. We tried on the slipper to see if it could possibly be us. Mrs Bennett was Cinderella on our fairy tale dress up day, so we all



thought it was her. But it wasn't, she was only tricking us! We made wanted posters and put them up around the school to see if anyone had seen her. We created a story

map to retell the story of Cinderella which helped us to write our own version. We have been learning to be authors to write our very own stories with a clear beginning, middle and end.

We can use sentence starters to structure our stories and we can use our imagination to think of exciting words to describe our story. We've had so much fun and love being authors!

Year 1 – Groombridge Place

This half term, Year One went on a trip to Groombridge Place, our day was filled with lots of fun and adventure! Groombridge had beautiful gardens. We explored different flowers, named and described them. Bluebells were the most popular flower we saw. It was great fun riding on the canal boat; we took a short trip along the River Grom which flows through the grounds of Groombridge. The Enchanted Woodland was Charlie's favourite activity. He said "We walked by a lake and it looked like there was a pixie village! There were lots of little houses; each house even had a little door number!" This has been a great

inspiration for our fantasy stories this half term. Grant loved the Upper Board Walk where we climbed through lots of obstacles like tyres and ropes. The children were hunting high and low for enchanted boggarts. A boggart is an enchanted creature that transforms into a tree. If you look closely you can see its face! They look very mysterious and magical. Can you spot the boggart in our photo?



We collected lots of natural objects in the woodland. When we got back to school we had fun weaving them together. What natural materials can you see?



The children did us proud on the trip! They were beautifully

behaved and listened carefully to instructions. Great job everyone!



Year 2 – Wriggle and Crawl

To kick start our topic 'Wriggle and Crawl' we went on a really fun trip to Hobbledown Farm. We all had such a lovely day and learnt so many interesting things! We got to explore all of the animals at the farm, and even got to pet some of them. We started off by sensibly walking through the rabbit and



guinea-pig run; some were really small and cute and some were really big and fluffy! We were surprised at how different to each other they all looked! After that, we visited the rest of the animals that live at Hobbledown; we saw camels, wallabies, donkeys, meerkats, pigs, otters and many more!

After visiting all of the animals, we got to some wriggling and crawling in the really fun Hobbledown village. We got to climb up towers, crawl in tunnels and wiggle our way through the adventure course.

Our favourite part of the day was definitely the mini beast workshop! We learnt so much and got to meet lots of really cool mini beasts such as giant hissing cockroaches, African giant snails, millipedes and a bearded dragon. We learnt lots about them including what makes a mini beast, what they like to eat, what countries they come from and their habitats. We even got to hold or touch some of the mini beasts!

Year 3 – Natural History Museum

On Monday 13th May, Year Three went to the Natural History Museum to learn all about earthquakes and

volcanoes. We were so excited as soon as we got to school because we were travelling on the train and tube with our friends for the first time! We got to London in record time and were ready for a day to begin.

Once we got there, we took part in a workshop that taught us all about natural disasters. They were so impressed at how much we had already learnt at school and our teachers were really proud at everything we had remembered. Tom and Mr Shaw had to jump around making the floor vibrate like an earthquake as we watched the readings from the seismometer. Can you guess who made the biggest impact? That's right, Mr Shaw!



We also watched what happens inside a volcano before it erupts and learnt about the different types of eruption. At the end of the workshop we got our

certificate to show that we had a Natural History Museum Accreditation for Earth Sciences.



After the workshop we had loads of time to enjoy the museum, we went on the earthquake simulator, saw precious rocks and some of us even visited the giant T-Rex! What a wonderful day we had!

Year 4 – Burps, Bottoms and Bile

This half term, as part of our Burps, Bottoms and Bile topic, Year 4 have been learning about the human digestive system. We have been learning about teeth: the different types, functions and the importance of dental hygiene. To further embed this learning, we visited the Science Museum where we were treated to an 'It Takes Guts' workshop.



The children were shown, through different experiments, how each part of the inner digestive system works. Despite the slightly gruesome themes of our topic, the children have enjoyed it immensely and we look forward to our next topic - 'Blue Abyss'.

From our visit to the snail farm on the first day (where children even have the chance to eat snails!), to our last day at the market practising our French skills, the atmosphere of excitement was palpable.

Throughout our visit, Year 5 were a credit to the school and showed their eagerness to learn. We also continued the proud tradition of laying wreaths at the Menin Gate during the Last Post Ceremony, once again positively representing our school.

Shrewsbury, a welcomed rest after all of their hard work during SATs week! They took part in activities such as abseiling, raft building, high rope activities to name a few! All the children excelled themselves and definitely conquered a few fears! Everyone arrived safely home on the Friday night to recover over half term!



Year 5 – France

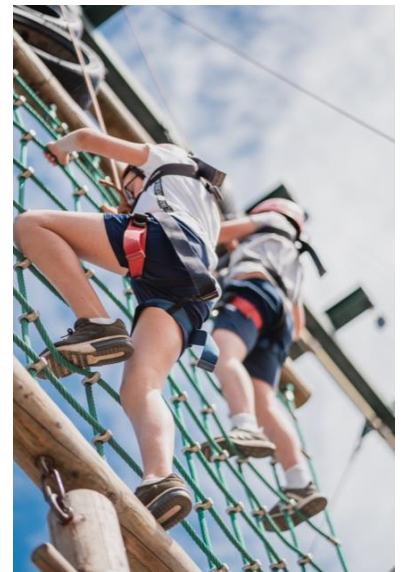
On Tuesday 14th May, Year 5 headed off on their annual residential to France. This fantastic trip offers children in the year group the opportunity to consolidate and extend their learning about World War 1 and included several exciting and unforgettable activities.



Year 6 – Condover Hall



Year 6 enjoyed a week's residential activity trip to Condover Hall in



Walk Once a Week

We have been taking part in the 'Walk Once a Week' initiative to promote more active travel to and from school. This is where children receive a badge at the end of the month if they've walked at

least once a week. In the month of May, an amazing 75% of children in the school received a badge. Well done! It's not just walking; it can be scooting, cycling or parking somewhere a little distance away and walking.



We are also taking part in June, so if your child hasn't already received a badge, think about ways in which you can walk just one day a week.

The children took part in an assembly, during 'Walk to School Week', explaining the reasons for walking to school. These are the reasons:

- It's a great way to talk to friends and family about your day; building relationships.
- Evidence shows that children, who are more physically active on the way to school, concentrate more in lessons.
- Walking is excellent exercise.
- Daily exercise keeps us fit and healthy.
- It creates less smog and pollution.

- There are fewer cars on the road and the road outside the school does not get congested. It would be a safer place to walk.

I know that sometimes it is difficult to walk to school every day. If you do choose to take the car, could we please ask that you turn your engines off when dropping children off and you are being considerate about where you are parking.

Mrs Hayes (School Travel Plan)

Barrow Hedges Girls Football Team

In last term's Hedgelines, we shared the exciting news that our girls' football team had made it to a national final at Wembley, where they would be representing not only the school and Sutton United, but also all of 'The South!' This year, over 690 schools and more than 6000 children from across the country participated in the qualifying rounds of the National League Trust U11 Cup, with the ultimate aim of being 'the team' that would proudly climb the iconic Wembley Stadium steps.

On Saturday May 11th, a team of seven girls – captained by Elizabeth –

walked out of the Wembley tunnel alongside their Northern opponents: Chester City FC. The girls not only got to play in full Sutton United FC kit (with their surnames printed on their shirts!) but were also able to leave the tunnel looking very professional in their brand new *Chameleon* sponsored tracksuits.



Kick off was at 1:15pm and in front of an excited crowd of *Chameleon*, Barrow Hedges and Sutton United staff, as well as supporting pupils, parents and friends of the school. Our girls were aware that the final was only 10 minutes long and thus attacked from the off, putting immediate pressure on a startled Chester team.

Nevertheless, Chester were the team to make the first shot on target but it was



saved by an alert Zoe who came off of her goal line to punch the ball away. The ball was picked up by another Chester attacker who then sent their second shot wide.

From the goal kick, Emelia sent the ball to the feet of Hannah for us to return the attack, but this too was intercepted by their goal keeper who sent the ball back into play. Shortly after, Emelia took our second shot of the game which was deflected out for our first corner. A series of throw-ins followed as both teams struggled to keep possession of the ball. Then, Isla intercepted a Chester throw in the middle of the pitch and sent the ball to an eager Hannah up front who had her second on-target shot of the game. As we continued to pile on the pressure, Olivia threw the ball in from the left, which was headed on by a Chester player to Hannah's feet, for her to then take her third shot of the game, which too was saved.

As we approached the 4 minute mark, Olivia – who

had been covering a lot of ground to switch the play about from the left - switched to the right of the field to take another throw. The throw went to Isla who, after some fancy foot work, sent the ball zooming into the bottom left corner of the Chester City net, making it 1-0 to Sutton United!



Following the goal, a substitution was made to switch Hannah for Ava. Ava joined Elizabeth in a defensive role and the two battled well against a sudden surge of Chester energy. As Chester gained confidence, Emelia stepped back to win the ball in the middle and fired a powerful shot at the Chester keeper. With one touch, the keeper sent the ball back into play, but it was met by a speedy Isla who fired yet another shot at goal that was deflected out for a corner. Emelia's corner was met by a Chester player who saw the opportunity to break, as we were left with just Elizabeth at the back. However, our cool-headed

captain dealt with the attack and cleared the ball for a Chester throw who used this opportunity to build up an attack which fortunately resulted in another wide shot.

With 6 minutes on the clock, Chester were determined to find the back of our net and continued to attack. Olivia tracked back to help defensively but the referee wasn't too keen on her tackle from behind(!), giving Chester a direct free-kick in a dangerous area. The shot luckily went high and resulted in a Sutton United goal kick.

The goal kick was sent to Isla, who sent a beautiful cross towards Ava that was intercepted by a Chester player. Nevertheless, a determined Ava tracked back and won the ball back in the middle, before Chester took control again and sent another shot wide.

With little over 2 minutes remaining, Ava took a throw that was met by a Chester player but that was then won back in the air by an Emelia header. Isla brought the ball down with a great first touch pass back to Ava, who looked for the feet of Elizabeth right in front of our goal. Again, a calm and collective EB dealt well under pressure and was supported by a quick-thinking Zoe who

again came off of her line to clear the ball.

In the final minute of the game, Chester took a throw which was met by Olivia who then managed to win us a corner. Emelia saw the Chester goalie distracted and communicating with her defensive line so took the opportunity to take the corner quickly into the approaching feet of sister Isla who met the ball with a fantastic first-touch shot which found the back of the Chester net, making it 2-0 to Sutton and 2 goals for our youngest player!

Chester managed to squeeze in one last desperate shot from the centre, which went wide, before the final whistle was blown and another victory was sealed! We are Wembley champions!



Having been crowned national champions at Wembley, the same squad of seven girls had another competition to participate in just 10 days later. This time the girls were representing Crystal Palace FC in the Primary League Stars tournament. For this competition, each Premier League team had to run their own individual knock-out rounds to determine which of their local primary schools would represent them at Molineaux Stadium – the home of Wolverhampton Wanderers FC – on May 21st.

As this tournament fell on the same week as our Year 6 residential to Shrewsbury, some of our Y6 players travelled from Condover Hall to Molineaux to meet the rest of the squad at a hotel on the evening of May 20th. Other players travelled to the hotel from Selhurst Park, with the Crystal Palace representatives and their parents.



We left our hotel together on the Crystal Palace coach at 7:45am the following

morning. Arriving at Molineaux, we were greeted by Premier League coordinators and directed to our designated areas in the stadium. Each representing school then alphabetically walked out of the tunnel whilst flying their team's flag and had timetabled slots to visit the media room for individual and group photos with the premier league trophy!



The tournament was split into 4 groups of 5 teams, with the top team from each group going through to the semi finals. In our group were AFC Bournemouth, Liverpool, Huddersfield and Manchester City. Despite the girls playing outstanding in all 4 matches, unfortunately they only managed to draw each game, resulting in a total of 4 points from the group stage. Liverpool (who we drew with 0-0 yet hit the crossbar and post in the match and we were definitely the stronger side!) reached the final of the tournament but lost to Leicester City FC on penalties. This time it just wasn't our day; however, due

to our 4 draws, we can still boast an unbeaten record in a national Premier League tournament!

Reminder

A number of staff have reported they are finding it increasingly difficult to access the Radcliffe Gardens staff car park due to parents and children standing in/around the entrance. Please could we politely ask that parents are aware of cars as they enter/leave the school. Of course all staff are particularly vigilant at the busy times of day.

Upcoming Events	
27 th – 31 st May 2019	Half term
3 rd June 2019	INSET day
4 th – 8 th June 2019	Creativity Week
24 th – 28 th June 2019	National Sports Week
Saturday 6 th July 2019	Summer School Fete
8 th and 9 th July 2019	Y6 Production
11 th July 2019	Exhibition Evening
22 nd July 2019	Reception Magic Show
22 nd July 2019	Y2 and Y6 Discos
22 nd July 2019	Nursery break up
23 rd July 2019	School break up



Sporting Hedge

Boys Football

Mr Buckingham and Mr Pearce)

With the school football season wrapping up at the end of Spring Term, we have begun looking ahead to next year. Trials for the boy's school teams for the 2019/20 academic year have begun with a few sessions still to take place after half term. The standard of the trials which have taken place already have been extremely high which bodes well. Good luck to every boy taking part



Swimming

On Friday 26th April 2019 children from Y4-6 had the opportunity to represent Barrow Hedges at the annual Sutton Borough Swimming Gala. The Gala took place at Westcroft Leisure Centre and includes schools and club swimmers from across the Borough.



(Cedar), Naia (Cedar), Maya (Chestnut), Ruby (Maple), Hannah (Willow), Roni (Sycamore), Isaac (Willow) and Harrison (Chestnut). It was a fantastic evening and all our swimmers preformed amazingly well and should be really proud of their achievements in the pool.



Girls Football – Miss Duffin

It was smiles all round at Wembley but Hannah (Willow class) had more reason to smile after legend footballer and superstar David Beckham signed her shirt after the 2-0 win last Saturday. His team, Salford FC, were there in the Football League playoff and went on to beat AFC Fylde.



It was a successful evening with medals for Isabella

Mindfulness

On 9th May our Y6 children took part in a SATS mindfulness workshop organized by Suzi from the Sutton School Sports Partnership. The aim of the session was to get the children to think more positively (FLIP IT THINKING) about what they can achieve and provide them with helpful calming breathing exercises. The sessions were really useful and we certainly felt chilled afterwards!



National School Sports Week – Kits for Africa

During National School Sports Week (24th-28th June 2019) we will be accepting donations of football kits for the charity Kit Aid. The charity recycles once loved football shirts, shorts, socks and boots, distributing them to underprivileged children in some of the world's poorest countries. More information to follow, but please dig out any spare or old kit that could go to a new home.

New Playground Markings

HOT OFF THE PRESS!!! The children were very excited today to see further work being done to the school playground. The markings are really colourful and we're looking forward to seeing the children enjoy using them after half term.

Markings include a trail, King Squares and a Daily Mile track.

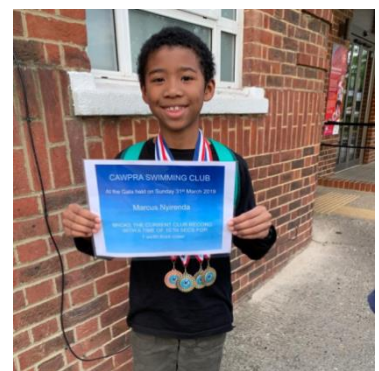


Achievements

Congratulations to Aidan (Y2 Woodpecker) who was awarded the U7's Player's Player of the Season. Aidan plays rugby with the U7's team at Old Whitgiftians Rugby Club and was nominated for the award by his fellow team mates. The Old Whits U7 team played their first matches against other clubs this season and have been working hard on rugby's core values of teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship. Great work Aidan!



Well done to Marcus (Walnut class) for competing in the CAWPRA swimming gala, winning an array of medals and beating one of the club's swimming records. Brilliant!



Brandon (Sycamore class) has been enjoying martial arts at Barrow Hedges, recently took part in the BKK Karate competition in Wales. Brandon showed resilience and, despite bruises and a broken tooth achieved 3rd place in his age group! Well done Brandon!

Kaida (Otter Class) was very proud to show Mrs Wood her gymnastics medals and trophy. Kaida won Bronze for the Vault and Silver for Beam, she was then awarded an All Rounder Trophy in her Pre-Grade Gymnastics competition. Well done Kaida!



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

Twitter and Website

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



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

Upcoming Sporting Events	
6 th June 2019	Girls Cricket Tournament
12 th June 2019	District Sports
14 th June 2019	Swimming Gala
24 th – 28 th June 2019	National Sports Week
24 th June 2019	Year 3 Tribal Dance Workshop
27 th June 2019	KS2 Sports Day
28 th June 2019	KS1 Sports Afternoon
8 th July 2019	Year 2 Multi Skills
9 th July 2019	Dance Competition

