



# Barrow Hedgelines

Summer (1) 2022

## Nursery – Learning to Tell Stories

Nursery have been learning how to tell stories and to join in with repetitive text. We have loved linking this to our planting of seeds which we did before the Easter holidays. This prompted us to read 'Jaspers Beanstalk', 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'The Enormous Turnip'. It's been so much fun retelling the stories ourselves and being the characters too. We even made our own beanstalk in Nursery and thought of how to get up to the top and who may be there.

We have enjoyed looking at Traditional stories especially the Gingerbread Man.



We made our own real Gingerbread Men and held them tight when we took our one home in case he ran away.



We are such fantastic storyteller's now!

We had so much fun making our own Buckingham Palace out of boxes throughout the week.



We prepared for our own Nursery party by making

cards, decorations and we even made our own jam sandwiches too!



What an amazing time we had celebrating the Queens Jubilee with lots of special food and we even had our own red, white or blue balloon to take home!



## Reception – Can I Be an Author?

This term in Reception, we have been answering the question 'Can I be an Author?' We began our learning by researching what authors and

illustrators are. We now know that authors are someone who writes the book, and an illustrator is someone who draws the pictures.

We looked at a wide range of different stories and looked carefully at the characters, key events, problems and resolutions that occur. We learnt to retell 'Cinderella' and 'Hansel and Gretel' off by heart by using our 'talk for writing' actions to help us remember the stories. We know fairy tales and traditional tales use story language like 'once upon a time' and 'they lived happily ever after'.

We had lots of fun writing our own stories using our imagination, making sure our stories had a beginning, middle and end. Your child will bring their story home to share with you! We even used 'Kung Fu' punctuation to help us to know where our sentences start and finish, trying hard to remember to use finger spaces and the tricky words we know to help to make our writing even better. The children learnt to link their ideas using different sentence starters. What super authors we are!



This term we also thoroughly enjoyed celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with lots of exciting activities and our 'street party'! We learnt all about the Queen and members of the royal family. We looked at different photos to see how the Queen has changed overtime. We had fun trying arts and crafts activities such as; making giant paper chains to hang in our classrooms, special bunting, crowns, drawing pictures of the Queen and making different members of the royal family in the playdough. It was so much fun!





## Year 1 – Enchanted Woodland

This half term we have had so much fun with our 'Enchanted Woodland' theme. We got to look after our very own caterpillars and watch them form their chrysalis.



They then started their clever process of transforming into a butterfly! We learnt that this process is called metamorphosis. Eventually, we discovered we had beautiful butterflies in our butterfly garden, and later went to release them on the field next to lots of nettles and flowers; it was so much fun! We knew they were 'Painted Ladies' because we had done lots of research on the computers about different types of butterflies - most of us decided our favourite was the 'Blue Morpho', because it's such a bright colour! Did you know it is one of the largest butterflies in the world and lives in tropical climates?



In Science, we have been exploring trees. We know there are different types of trees - some are deciduous, and some are evergreen. We also went on a tree hunt and collected different types of leaves. We used our magnifying glasses to observe them and identified what trees they had come from. This half

term we have also loved growing our very own sunflowers and have learnt about the different parts of a plant and the jobs that they do. We now have them at home and can't wait to see how tall they grow!

In Geography, we have been exploring maps and looking at the different symbols we might find on a map and why they are useful. It was so exciting to create our own fantasy map with a key!

In English, we have enjoyed getting very creative and being story tellers. We made up our very own fantasy stories using our imaginations. We explored mythical characters and magical settings, and magpied ideas that we wanted to use, to make our stories exciting. Our teachers were so impressed and lots of us have said we would love to be authors when we grow up!

Our class reader 'The Enchanted Wood' by Enid Blyton has made us even more excited about reading this half term, and every day we cannot wait to find out about the character's wonderful adventures, and the strange, mythical creatures they meet along the way!

This half term, Year One were so happy to go on their very first school trip to Groombridge; It was truly

magical! We walked through enchanted woodland, where we saw fairy houses, bogarts, and bridges.

We loved chanting bits from all the traditional tales we have been recently learning about and used our imaginations to decide who was living in all the different areas. We had so much fun exploring the boardwalk and showed how brave we were when going high up through the forest.



It was so much fun! We then got to see a beautiful peacock fan out its spectacular tail feathers and couldn't believe our eyes when we walked past the zeedonk, who was half zebra and half donkey!



What a wonderful half term we have had! We have all shown lots of resilience and learnt many new things. 😊

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### **Year 2 – Wriggle and Crawl**

Year 2 have had a brilliant start to the Summer term. It was always going to be a nervy one with SATs week, but the children took the week in their stride and did themselves and their teachers proud. Over the weeks we enjoyed exploring our new unit, 'Wriggle and Crawl'. This involved learning about life cycles and the suitability of different habitats, as well as how we can lead healthy lifestyles and the affect exercise has on our bodies.

In computing, we looked at the habitats around us on a bug hunt. We got up close and personal with some creepy crawlies before using this data to create graphs in excel.

In English, we enjoyed another awesome narrative unit based on film, a new unit for Year 2, where children went on their own adventures after being transported from their familiar surroundings to more adventurous landscapes. It has been some of the best writing the children have produced all year and we loved the writing process.

We topped off the half term in style with the Queen's jubilee street party, where Year 2 got dressed up as children from the 70s to honour The Queen's reign. We had a lovely day discovering disco and very much enjoyed the banquet on the playground.



The Year 2 teachers would like to take this opportunity to thank the children for all of their efforts this half term as well as the parents for all the support they have provided over the year so far.

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### **Year 3 – Running Rivers**

Last half term, Year Three were learning all about plants and rivers in our science and geography centred theme, 'Running Rivers.' During our Science lessons, we learnt all about plants and how to care for them and in our Geography lessons, we learnt about rivers with a particular focus on our local river, the Wandle. Did you know that during the Victorian Times, the Wandle was deemed one of the hardest working rivers in the world!?

At the start of May we were lucky to go on not one but two trips! Our first visit took us to the Charles Cryer Theatre where we watched a performance by a brass quintet. The musicians not only played us some beautiful music but also taught us about the different instruments which included the trumpet, trombone, tuba and French horn. A particular highlight during the performance was when the musicians played Frère Jacques on hose pipes!

Our second trip took us to Grove Park where we painted pictures of the river using watercolours and explored the plants and wildlife in the park - we only lost one painting to the river but Miss Hine performed an epic recovery - no teachers or wildlife were harmed in the process! It was really interesting to be able to explore our local area during this trip.



Did you know that Carshalton is home to Britain's largest London Plane tree? We had great fun investigating how wide the girth of this tree was by seeing how many children it took to join hands around it.



Along with our work in class this half term, we have also been very excited to begin our Djembe lessons on a Tuesday. We've been having lots of fun learning rhythms and all about the history of the drums and where they originated from. We can't wait to continue next half term and hopefully perform to an audience!

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### **Year 4 – Burps, Bottoms and Bile**

Year 4 had a very exciting half term of learning in Summer 1 around our 'Burps, Bottoms and Bile' theme. In Science,

we learnt about the human digestive system and how our food is converted into energy for our bodies. We had an exciting visit (pictured) where the children got nice and messy creating their own models of the entire digestive system!



In Geography, we focused on the United Kingdom and learning about how the names and geographical features vary in different parts of our country. In English, the children wrote very engaging science-fiction narratives about a scientist who gets shrunk and lost in the digestive system. Watch out for those at Exhibition Evening!

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### Year 5 – Trip to France

For our Fallen Fields theme, Year 5 went to France. We saw artefacts from the war in the Musee Somme, and some children even tried on bits of uniform. We visited Tyne Cot war cemetery and thought about the ages of those who had died. We learned about people from our own area who were memorialised there. As part of our reflective learning, we also visited the Menin Gate, and some of the children were chosen to lay our handmade wreaths during the remembrance ceremony.



While we were there, we also visited a chocolate shop which caused lots of excitement. Some of the most moving places we visited still showed the impact of the war, and the Beaumont-Hamel trenches were a poignant but fascinating place. It helped us understand what it may have been like for soldiers in the war, as well how truly global the war was. After, we visited the Lochnagar Crater memorial and thought about the different roles people played in battle.



Other highlights from the trip include a visit to Amiens cathedral and a picnic on the beach.



It was a very special and memorable trip for children and adults alike.

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### Year 6 – Trip to Condover

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2022, Year 6 went on a residential trip to Condover Hall. When we got there, we were shown to our dorms and briefly unpacked.



After we did that, we went to our first activity which was only the start of our many activities. Once we had finished our activities we went back to our dorms and made our beds then went to dinner. For the last activity of the day, we did 'wide games'. Wearily, we walked back to our dorms and got ready for bed. Over the course of the week we did many activities such as:

- Archery
- Archery Tag
- Buggy building
- Campfire
- Circus skills
- Climbing
- Fencing
- Grid of stones
- Raft building
- Aerial Trek
- Laser maze
- Low ropes course
- Rocket launch
- Kayaking
- Run Around quiz
- Silent disco

- Survival
- Tunnelling
- Wet and wacky
- Wide games



On the last evening of the residential trip, we went to a

campfire. When we were there, did a talent show and sung some campfire songs. Finally, we woke up, packed our stuff up and put our suitcases in an empty room. Then we completed our last activity and when that was done, we sat outside and ate our last meal there. To end our trip, we had a group gathering and we were all given certificates. Eventually, we gathered up our luggage, put in on the coach and got on to it. Then we waved goodbye to our leaders and set off on our journey.

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### **Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

Following special assemblies that week, on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May we had a lovely day celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



During the morning, the children enjoyed a range of activities focusing on the decade for their year group. In the afternoon we had a lovely time at our Street Party on the playground.

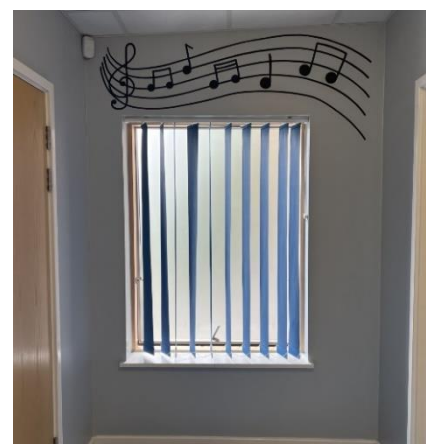


painting some lovely murals in our playground. This is part of our school improvement plan and our focus on aiming to improve lunchtimes for all. However, due to typical British weather, the rain delayed the completion of this artwork. Nevertheless, on these rainy days, Sarah has carried out further work inside the school:

### KS1 reading book area:



### Area outside our music rooms:



Thanks so much for your support with the super outfits the children came in as well the food/drink contributions. We all had a super time.

### Mural

As you may have noticed, Sarah from Dancing Decor has been back in to continue

### Courtyard

Grateful thanks to Mrs Rowland (Ewan and Alice, Elm and Fox) and Mrs McCombie (James, Ash) for their hard work in our Courtyard garden. The Courtyard had been suffering from Lockdown neglect and has been brought back to life as a lovely space for outdoor lessons.



## PTA Summer Fete Raffle Tickets

This year, you will be able to purchase Summer Fete raffle tickets via your ParentPay account. The cost is £1 per ticket and you are able to purchase as many tickets as you wish.

**1st Prize** - Family days out (a collection of various places)

**2nd Prize** - Photo shoot and pamper sessions

**3rd Prize** - Dining experience (various restaurants)

**Plus many more exciting prizes!**

**The raffle winners will be announced at the Summer Fete on Saturday 2nd July.**

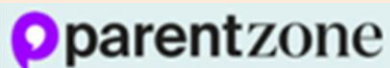
## Roofing Works

You may have noticed scaffolding has been erected at the Harbury Road side of the school. This is the start of major roofing works that will continue through the summer holidays, hopefully finishing by the start of the new term.

There will be no impact to the internal areas of school, and it is only the staff car park that will be affected.

## Dates for the Diary

<b>23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Reception and KS1 Sports Day
<b>24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	KS2 Sports Day
<b>1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Multicultural Day
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	School Summer Fete
<b>4<sup>th</sup> July – 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Creativity Week
<b>12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Exhibition Evening (4:30pm – 6:30pm)
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	School Finishes (children break up at 2pm)



## Helping children cope with media coverage of traumatic events

Seeing coverage of upsetting local and world events in the news, online or on social media can be distressing for children, especially given today's 24-hour news availability. There are things parents can do to help children make sense of them.

[Parentzone](#) suggests five steps to help children cope with distressing events and suggests further support resources.

1. Give them space to talk
2. Create a sense of calm
3. Reassure them
4. Keep things simple
5. Listen to their views

Read the full article at: [Parentzone | Helping your child cope with media coverage of traumatic events](#)



## What is Yubo?

Yubo is a chat and live streaming app, extremely popular among young people. It was launched originally under the name Yellow, and was nicknamed "Tinder for teens" due to its swipe-to-match functionality which mimics the adult dating app. Find out what parents need to know about Yubo in this [Parent Zone article](#)

## Search



## Search engines and what you need to know about safer searching

Parentzone offers a detailed parent guide to understanding search engines and how to help your child search more safely and positively.

[Parent Zone | Search Engines | What you need to know](#)

**Remember - no filter is 100% effective!**



Last half term, we celebrated Earth Day on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. More than a billion people celebrate Earth Day every year to protect the planet from things like pollution and deforestation! We took part in a range of activities, one of which being watching a livestream from 25<sup>th</sup> March of an expedition to Antarctica, which was conducted to learn more about the continent and how we can all help to protect it! We were introduced to polar explorer and environmental leader Rob Swan, who is the first person ever to walk to the North and South Pole and is the founder of the 2041 Foundation. We also completed a WWF climate change quiz, hosted by Sir David Attenborough. Each question covered a different topic and taught us useful information about the issues that are affecting our planet. For example, did you know that global warming doesn't just cause hotter weather? It can cause blizzards, hurricanes and storms too.



In other news, we learnt all about active travel in assembly this half term. Active travel is a way of travelling to school that helps the environment and also helps us to form healthy habits, such as exercising and eating a healthy breakfast in the morning. In order to promote active travel, we hosted an art competition, for which the children created a poster on how fantastic active travel is and how much they enjoy it. We were so impressed with all of the beautiful entries. Congratulations to our winner, who was chosen by the Barrow Hedges Eco-Warriors, Mihika in Elm Class! You'll be able to admire her lovely poster displayed at the gate each morning and afternoon. Well done, Mihika!





# Sporting Hedge

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## Football

We have reached the end of a truly unforgettable season of football – with a clean sweep in the Carshalton and Wallington District for both boys and girls.

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### Boys Football

#### B League

Before Easter, the B team (mix of Year 5s and 6s) sealed a 100% league campaign with a comfortable victory against Hackbridge in their final game. However, they showed incredible resilience in their penultimate game - a tight 2-0 win against Forresters which ended up proving vital to their success. We were incredibly impressed throughout the season by how children from different classes and year groups formed a fantastic team spirit and played attacking, passing and positive football. Many children represented our B team this year and have played a great part in our success, however the following are the full-time members who played in every game.

Special congratulations to:

Jamie W, Beau C, Raphael W, Henry G, Sidney B, Harry W, Eddie A and Jack D

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### A League

Our A team (also a mix of Year 5s and 6s) completed an (at times) tense, dramatic but thoroughly deserved consecutive league title for Barrow Hedges. They battled through many tight games such as 3-2 wins against Bandon Hill, Stanley Park and Holy Trinity. They came from behind to score late winners, late equalisers and battled hard to protect their leads. This was only possible because of their immense team spirit, togetherness and will to win which was once again characterised by positive, attacking football. Improving from game to game, the boys sealed the deal with a dominant 8-1 win against St Elpheges.

Having won the Carshalton and Wallington league for the first time in 40 years in 2020, to back this up with another success is a real source of

pride for the school. A very well done to the A team boys:

Alexi P, Zeeshaan J, Sam M, Callum L, Jake F, Teddy A, Maitreya L, Joseph C, Isaac O, Harry E and Sam B

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### Year 5 Cups

Our Year 5s (and some Year 4s!) competed hard and enjoyed tremendous success in the U10 Surrey Cup and U10 Wallington Cup. After a smooth route to the final in the Wallington Cup, we faced a strong Bandon Hill Woodfield side who have been one of our strongest rivals in recent years. Despite an understandably nervy start to the game, the boys grew into it well and a series of outstanding corners by Joe C were converted expertly by Edward and Harry to give us an impressive 5-1 victory. In the second half we started to take over the game and it could have been even more!

In the U10 Surrey Cup, we have battled through some amazing games of football against Cheam Park Farm and Brookfield in our run to the final.

On 24<sup>th</sup> May the boys played their last game of the season. Our opposition was Cleves Primary School and the venue was Meadowbank – the home of Surrey FA. A tight, high quality game of football that could have gone either way, but Cleves were the worthy winners in the end! The boys put their absolute heart and soul into the game and we're immensely proud of them for getting into the final. What a team!

Well done to the following children who have represented our Year 5 Cup team this season:

Jamie W, Teddy A, Joe C, Maitreya L, Sidney B, Henry G, Frankie M, Harry W, Eddie A, Logan T, Will H, Edward J, Charlie S and Alexander F

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### Year 6 Cups

We also enjoyed strong runs in the U11 Wallington Cup, Borough Cup and Surrey Cup. We reached the final of the Wallington Cup after a dominant 8-1 win over Highview in the semi-final where we faced All Saints Carshalton who were the only school to deny us victory in the A league. However, in a fantastic demonstration of their improvement as a team, this time the boys scored early and were superb throughout in a 6-2 victory. Jake was our man of the match.

In the Surrey Cup, we battled through two very tough fixtures against Cheam Fields and Royal Russell - the latter sealed with a dramatic last-minute winner from Teddy. In the semi-final we faced an excellent Cheam Common side where we played out a pulsating game of football which unfortunately ended in a 3-2 defeat. We pushed them hard to the very end but just couldn't quite find an equaliser.

In the Borough Cup we defeated many tough opponents, including All Saints once again in the semi-final. The final of the Borough Cup was another epic showdown against Cheam Common which once again ended in disappointment. After going 1-0 down early in the second half, we pushed hard for an equaliser and had a series of good chances which we just couldn't take. Our opponents sealed the game with a second goal right at the very end.

Well done to: Alexi P, Zeeshaan J, Sam M, Callum L, Jake F, Teddy A, Maitreya L, Joseph C, Isaac O, Harry E, Sam B

All in all, Barrow Hedges won both leagues and reached at least the semi-final in every cup that we played, winning 2 of them. Needless to say, we are so proud of the boys and their efforts - they really were a pleasure to work with this

year. For the Year 6s, we wish them every success in their football at high school and for the Year 5s we very much look forward to working with them next year. Finally, we'd like to thank all the parents/carers who supported the boys and the teams in such a positive way and gave up their time to make the matches possible.





For more information about CAFC Soccer schools please go to - <https://www.carshaltonathletic.co.uk/holiday-soccer-schools>

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### **Girls Football**

In recent years, Barrow Hedges have built a reputation, with past successes including League victories, Sutton Borough League and Cup winners, as well as being crowned National champions at Wembley.

This season began with trials and bringing together a fantastic group of girls, with a range of footballing experience. For some, this was their first opportunity to play competitively.

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### **League**

The promotional of Sutton United into the EFL and the removal of the 3G pitch meant that the Girls League would now be played at a District level, rather than as a whole Borough. Schools in

Carshalton and Wallington now had the opportunity to play their girls matches at Carshalton Athletic FC, an arrangement that has been in place for the boys' teams since 2018.

On the 3G surface, with fantastic support behind the goal, the girls grew in confidence, securing victories against Stanley Park, St Elpheges and Tweedale to name but a few. A 2-1 victory against All Saints Carshalton concluded the girls' season. Their unbeaten run in the League meant that they were crowned League Winners of the new Robins Carshalton and Wallington League Cup. The girls should be extremely proud of their achievements in the League, showing resilience, resourcefulness and team work.

Well done to Sophia, Pearl, Emilia, Becca, Lucy, Leila, Ella, Ana, Molly, Maisie, Bea, Freya, Summer, Ashna, Sophia R and Izzy.

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### **League Playoff**

Securing the Carshalton and Wallington League meant that the girls' now faced the winner of the Sutton and Cheam League in a play-off final.

In a much-anticipated final, Barrow Hedges vs Cheam Park Farm was going to be our biggest and most competitive test to date. The

final had everything – own goal, equalizer, shots on target, controversy and penalties!



Penalties are never easy, but the girls showed maturity and composure, each one standing on the spot and putting their shot away. WE WON 3-2 on penalties to win the SUTTON SCHOOLS FA GIRLS PLAYOFF FINAL.




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### **Borough Cup**

Alongside our League matches, the girls also put together a great cup run against schools across the Borough. Victories against The Avenue and All Saints Benhilton saw us face Cheam

Park Farm in the semi final, the day after the Play Off. Playing the same team twice in two days had its advantages and disadvantages, but we travelled to Cheam Park Farm confident and with a great crowd of teachers and parents.

Once again, a highly competitive game but it was a penalty for a hand ball that put Barrow Hedges ahead. However, a second half equalizer meant that the game would be decided on penalties AGAIN!



This time, with both teams level after 5 penalties we moved through the team, with each player stepping up to the mark. It was Pearl, nervous and in tears who put the ball in the back of the net to put Barrow Hedges through to the Final. No one could believe this was only the semi! It felt like the Cup final.

On 29<sup>th</sup> March Barrow Hedges stepped out onto the pitch at Carshalton Athletic to a great reception, to face All Saints Carshalton in the final. The girls were amazing and after a busy week had to dig deep

and focus. A 2-1 victory saw the girls lift their 3<sup>rd</sup> trophy in a matter of weeks – what a fantastic season.

A huge thank you to the parents for their amazing support this season. Your continued enthusiasm and encouragement has been fantastic; if there was a trophy for the loudest fans we would have won that too! Also, a thank you to Ted, for his football knowledge, tactics and 'long throw' training sessions.

Good luck to the Year 6 girls moving onto secondary school and we are confident they will continue with their football journey next year.



For more information regarding Girls football see Carshalton Athletic FC website

<https://www.carshaltonathletic.co.uk/carshalton-athletic-youth>



Carshalton Athletic Football Club are starting girls-only soccer school sessions on Saturdays at midday.

Run by qualified male and female coaches, we provide for girls aged between 5 and 14 years old of all abilities.

We are offering a FREE first session on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June starting at midday. Please register online to save your space.

[Click here to register for the girls-only soccer school](#)

The Soccer school is held at the Fantastic [Colston Avenue Stadium](#) on the 1<sup>st</sup> team 3G pitch, there is ample parking and food and drink is available (including freshly ground cappuccinos).

Please spread this news to all girls who would like to join in, we want to make this an enjoyable girls' event.

## Sutton United Visit

To celebrate the successes of Sutton United and Barrow Hedges, our girls' and boys' football squads were invited to spend the afternoon at Gander Green Lane. The visit included a tour of the stadium, a walk out of the tunnel and a Q&A in the MBA lounge with some of the players.





The highlight was the opportunity to meet Enzo Boldwijn, David Ajiboyee and Rob Milson.

Thank you to Sutton United for a great afternoon and for welcoming our school teams. Good luck for the 2022-23 season.

## Netball

The last few months have been extremely exciting for our Netball Teams with the long-awaited season arriving. The girls, who have been working for months at developing their skills and tactics, were finally able to apply these skills to matches in the Spring League.

Our first match, and the first Netball match these girls have ever played, went incredibly well with us achieving a 4:0

win. The girls learnt a lot from this experience, and we could then consolidate our skills in training. As the term progressed, our A and B teams developed in confidence, bettering their scores each time as the girls grew into their positions and improved their cohesion as a team.

*"Year 5 and 6's have had the opportunity to play netball for over a year now, this includes everyone even children who are not on the team. We do fun activities, which helps us train and practice our skills. We have also played many successful matches. For example, our A team won 17-0, followed by our B team who won 8-0. We have really enjoyed netball this year and hope we can carry on at secondary school" - Pearl, Eleanor, Lucy, Sofia and Emilia (A and B team members)*

The girls went on to win every game in the Spring League: 9-3, 8-1 and 17-0 end results. This meant our girls qualified for the highest possible Summer League, we wish them all the best in this and are sure they will continue to make us proud.



## Primary School Quicksticks

On 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022, children from Year 5 and 6 took part in the Borough Quick sticks hockey tournament at Nonsuch High School for Girls. The hockey tournament is designed to get more children interested in playing hockey with revised quicksticks rules with a larger ball and no goalkeepers.

We entered two teams with a range of range of hockey experience. We worked hard as a team, in tough games against Cheam Park Farm,

Manor Park, St Marys and Nonsuch Primary Well done to all the children that took part, in particular to Jamie and Kathryn who were awarded 'Star Player' medals. Well done!



## Year 6 SCD 2022 Showcase

At the start of the Spring term Year 6 children began a 12 week block of traditional dancing, learning the waltz, Samba, Foxtrot and Charleston. The children worked in couples to learn and recreate the dance steps to put together a finishing piece. With Esme's help the children were able to add flair, rhythm and polish their performances.

On Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March, we were able to open the doors once more and welcome, parents, staff and Governors to our Strictly Come Dancing Showcase. The Glitter ball took pride of place in the hall and the children dazzled the audience with their performances. Thank you to Nick and James from Love Theatre Arts for judging – it's a 10 from Len!

Well done to all the children. The standard gets better every year and it is also so difficult to choose a winner.

WALTZ – Eleanor and Jack

SAMBA – Hayden & Vithushaa

FOXTROT – Freya and Harry D

CHARLESTON – Izzy and Ollie

**OVERALL WINNERS – Jack and Eleanor**



## Year 4 Red Tennis Festival

This term has seen Year 4 return to Carshalton Beeches Tennis Club for weekly lessons. Children have been practicing their forehand, back hand and working towards rallying.

At the end of the term, children were given the opportunity to represent Barrow Hedges at the Y3&4 Borough Red Tennis Festival. The purpose of the festival was to develop skills and give children the opportunity to play competitive tennis against other schools.

Well done to all the children that took part. The standard was exception, so watch this space for Wimbledon stars of the future.



### Progressive Martial Arts

Well done to the children from the Progressive Martial Arts club for working hard towards their gradings this term.



### Achievements

Having recently joined Beecholme Belles football club, Priya (Woodpecker) and Charlotte (Robin) attended their first football festival at the home of Fulham FC Women's team. The festival was part of the Wildcats football programme and the girls had a brilliant time, playing lots of matches and getting to meet players from the Fulham ladies team. What a great experience for them both.





A huge WELL DONE to Leonardo (Hedgehog) celebrating 'Player of the week' at D & D footie focus. What a fantastic achievement for all his hard work and focus shown during training and a match.

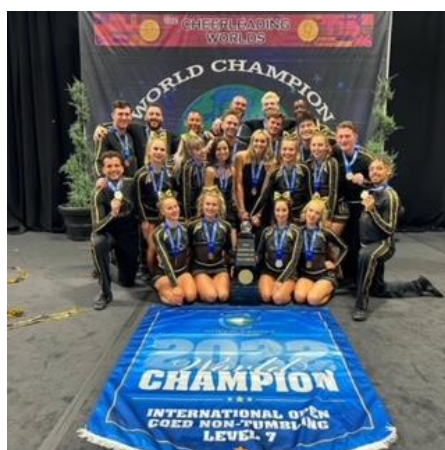
Flynn (Maple) and Cole (Kingfisher) are beaming with pride after their Mum celebrated a very special and prestigious achievement.

Unity Allstars was established in 2006 with just one team and has now grown to over 20 teams with almost 500 athletes.

David Weir leisure centre, managed by Everyone Active in partnership with Sutton council, has been home to the

club since June 2019. The athletes train out of the sports hall which has been turned into a state-of-the-art cheerleading facility.

Unity Allstars have won countless national titles and taken teams to the world cheerleading championships since 2009. At the end of April, the teams attended the World Cheerleading Championships in Orlando Florida. Unity Allstars Black, a coed team (a mix of boys and girls), became the first ever English team to win the World Cheerleading Championships! They performed a routine showcasing a mix of stunts and pyramids at the highest possible level of elite cheerleading.



Tori Rubin, programme director and head coach, said: "Our gym at David Weir provides training to our cheerleaders and tumblers seven days a week.

*"Cheerleading is such an incredible sport - it's open to*

*all ages and abilities, encourages the participants to stay fit and healthy, and has an amazing retention rate, especially amongst teenage girls who typically leave sports at that age. We offer opportunities to children of all ages and abilities, from recreational through to elite levels."*

Tony Albutt, general manager at Everyone Active, added: *"We're so proud to be home to such a successful sports team, and what a great achievement to make history in UK cheerleading. We wish them every success in the future as they continue to thrive and grow."*

Unity Allstars are so proud to have several Barrow Hedges children within the programme; if you're interested in cheerleading please contact [tori@unityallstars.com](mailto:tori@unityallstars.com)

Congratulations to Max (Oak) who has signed a contract with Fulham for their under 9's Academy Football Team.





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](mailto:office@barrowhedges.com)

Dates for Sporting Diary	
15 <sup>th</sup> June	District Athletics
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Primary Swimming Gala
20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> June	National School Sports Week
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Multi Skills Festival
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Netball Vs Holy Trinity (Away)
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Reception and KS1 Sports Day
24 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Sports Day
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Kwik Cricket Festival
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Multi Skills Festival
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Finishes (children break up at 2pm)

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