

Highfield Primary School

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Children show enterprise during the Queens Birthday celebrations

The first week back from half term saw children in Years 2 -5 take part in an Enterprise Week in which they all designed, created, marketed and sold products related to our school celebration of The Queens Birthday.



The week culminated on Friday with an assembly lead by Mrs Calder celebrating the Queens Birthday. During this the children all wore crowns they had made earlier in the week.



After this the children went into the playground where they set up market stalls to buy and sell their products. Year 2 operated a photo booth, Year 3 made clay bracelets and hair bands, Year 4 made flavoured jellies, gingerbread men, strawberry fondants, felt purses, colouring books, bead magnets and bead keyrings whilst Year 5 made flag shaped sweet bags. During the week, Year 1 also took part in activities involving using money.



All children had the opportunity to buy and sell their products and each group made a profit. Mr. Blount would like to congratulate 4D who made the largest profit (£64.15), all the children for the excellent teamwork skills they showed and the sensible manner in which they approached this task and all the parents for supporting us with this event. The children in each class will choose how they spend their profit, (once they pay back their investment and floats, of course)



Year 6 School journey

On 6th June to 10th June, the year 6's spent their school journey at Mill Rythe in Hayling Island, Portsmouth. On arriving at the centre, the children were eagerly greeted by the enthusiastic JCA instructors that would be leading all the fun activities for the week ahead. The very cheerful and motivated instructors; Beth and Ben led us all to our very first 'ice-breaking' activity and also introduced the motivational songs that they would have to sing every day to inspire their team.



Every day children were provided with a buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner to give them all the necessary energy for the daily challenging activities. Some of the activities included fencing, archery, snorkelling, kayaking abseiling, and rock- climbing; the children had never had first-hand experience of. Some of the children were apprehensive at first with abseiling and kayaking, but many soldiered on and overcame their fears. Hossain from 6K said that kayaking was "the best experience of my life".



The children had an excellent week and all behaved impeccably. The final evening was marked by the school disco, where the children were astonished to see Ms. Dawson, Mr Kennedy and Mrs Lynch reveal their hidden dance moves (Adam from 6k even demonstrated a unique dance move to teach Mr Kennedy). The last day finally arrived on Friday afternoon and the children began to reminisce about the fun, challenges and friendships they had made before they greeted their eager parents back in Winchmore Hill.

<u>Tolmers</u>

While some of Year 6 were away on school journey the rest of year 6 had their own day trip to Tolmers activity centre. The children were able to take part in rock climbing, go karting, water balloon throwing (where it seemed the teachers were the prime target), tunnelling, high ropes and a bungie run. In the morning we had glorious sunshine and even though there was torrential rain in the afternoon it did not dampen our spirits (we were fortunately doing indoor activities at the time). One child described it as, 'The best day out I've ever had'. Everybody had a great time and the children's behaviour was superb. We would like to thank Ms Wren, Mr Wilson and Ms Titre for taking the children.

<u>Congratulations to our Year 6 mathematicians</u> On Tuesday 14th June, the team of, Onnoy, Zahra S, Suber and Ellie from Year 6 represented Highfield at the Primary Maths Quiz. They competed against 8 other schools in the Borough for a place in the final and came 1st meaning a place in the Grand Final.



On the Thursday evening of that week the children (minus Zahra and with the addition of Joseph) travelled to the Grand final at Wilbury School knowing that of all the schools in Enfield they were in the top eight. They competed very well and were a credit to the school, they missed out on 3rd place by less than 15 points but still left the hall with huge smiles on their faces. (Mr. Blount)



Keeping Highfield Safe

On the morning of 22nd June Highfield's JTAs (Junior Travel Ambassadors) conducted a safety operation outside school together with Enfield Police. The children spoke to adults who were parking on zigzag lines, or not ensuring all passengers in their car were wearing seatbelts.



They asked questions: for example, how they might feel if a child were to be hurt as a result of their actions. The children had a go at using the police speed gun, and participated in a Q and A session with the police. They hope their actions will encourage drivers to think carefully about keeping all of our children safe at drop-off and collection times.



On the topic of road safety and community relations please can we remind parents not to block the driveways of local residents when dropping off and collecting children.

Year 3 Trip to Celtic Harmony

On Tuesday 7th June, Year 3 travelled back in time to the Iron Age at Celtic Harmony in Hertfordshire. Dressed as Celts, our faces were painted and our tribes were named: the Wolves and the Bears! We then embarked on a day of Celtic activities: weaving, grinding wheat to make flour, making and dying bracelets, visiting an authentic herb garden and trading goods. A brilliant day was enjoyed by all the children and teachers.



<u>Year 5 trip to the Sikh Gurdwara</u> This week children in Year 5 visited the Sikh Gurdwara in Shepherds Bush.

excellent behavior of the children was commented on by members of the public and a good time was had by all.



The Year 1 visit London Aquarium!

On Monday 20th June, Year 1 spent the day at the amazing London aquarium. The children had a chance to see some incredible animals, such as sharks, turtles, jellyfish, clownfish, starfish and rays. We even saw some penguins and a crocodile!

Isabel (1L) explained "Turtles are reptiles and they need to lie under the light to keep warm because they are cold blooded."

Muhammad (1S) liked watching the sharks because he could see their sharp teeth!

Ziv (1J) found it interesting that most piranhas eat fruit and vegetables rather than meat.

Year 1 behaved brilliantly and thoroughly enjoyed their visit.



Poetry Corner

This month I have been working with a group of children across the school who have been busily reading poems from five books which have been shortlisted for this year's national CliPPA award. The award is for the best book of poetry for children published in the previous year. The books on the shortlist were: A Great Big Cuddle by Michael Rosen, Falling Out of the Sky, Poems about Myths and Monsters (The Emma Press), Poetry Pie by Roger McGough, Dancing in the Rain by John Lyons and One by Sarah Crossan.

My CliPPA Shadowers were: Rayan (3M) Katie (3MB) Victor R 3MB Syed (Baqir) S 4D Qudijo M 4D Kyra Jule D 4T Christvie N 5D Yekta R 5D Luke 5D Abir 5S

First we read the poems from the books in pairs and shared what we thought with the rest of the group. Finally we made a shortlist of the poems that we liked the best and then we decided how best we might want to perform those poems to make other people want to read the books as well. We didn't have long to practice because the deadline for sending in our performances was the 15th of June. Cheryl's son George, who is a film maker, came in and filmed our performances. You can see the videos of each of these on the website.

We hope you like them and that they will inspire you to read and listen to many more poems!

Cheryl (Highfield Poet) June 2016

Enfield Grammar: Important information for parents regarding application under the Sport and/or Music criteria for September 2017:

The Supplementary Application Form is now available from the Admissions page of the school's website <u>www.enfieldgrammar.com</u>. The closing date for these application forms to be returned to Enfield Grammar School is Friday 16th September 2016 for Music and Friday 23rd September 2016 for Sport.

Drama Club

Next Monday will be the final Drama Club of the Year. We would like to thank Squeak for running these sessions and hope that the children have enjoyed them.

Dates		
Monday 27 th June	Year 4 visit to Firs Farm (Thames 21)	10 - 12
Monday 27 th – Wednesday 29 th June	Book Fair	3.20 - 4.15
Friday 1 st July	3MB visit to Woodcroft	
Friday 1 st July	Cricket workshops at Winchmore Hill CC	All day
Friday 1 st July	Sex Education film to Year 6 Parents	2.45pm
Tuesday 5 th July	Year 5 Trip to Kidzania	All Day
Tuesday 5 th July	Year 4 Orienteering trip	All Day
Tuesday 5 th July	Year 3 and 6 School Council visiting Hospice	
Tuesday 5 th July	Year 6 Sex Education film to Pupils	
Tuesday 5 th July	Year 6 careers fair	
Wednesday 6 th July	All Change Day	All Day
Saturday 9 th July	School Fete	
Tuesday 12 th July	4T at Woodcroft	
Tuesday 12 th July	Year 6 Performance of the Lion King	6pm
Thursday 14 th July	Bastille Day	All Day
Thursday 14 th July	Open evening	3.45-5pm
Friday 15 th July	4S at Woodcroft	
Friday 15 th July	Friends of Highfield – Camp Out	
Monday 18 th July	Highfield's Got Talent Final	
Tuesday 19 th July	Year 6 Leavers Disco	3.30-5pm
Wednesday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers Parade	1pm
Wednesday 20 th July	School Finishes Early	1.30pm