

MORLEY HOUSE NEWSLETTER

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Year 3 - Trip to Wilderness Wood

On Monday the 15th June year three went to Wilderness Wood. When we arrived a lady called Sarah gave us a safety talk. We were not allowed to climb on the piles of logs or run in the car park.

Next we had our over sized snack and put our bags in the shelter in case it rained. We did a tree study to see how it had changed since our last visit in the autumn. Then we did some bark and leaf rubbing of trees such as silver birch, sweet chestnut, mountain ash and oak trees.

We went back to the shelter and met Sarah who gave us a piece of card where we could stick things that we found along the way. We found stinkhorn fungi that smelt awful. We went into a field of Christmas trees and learnt what killed them. Next we played a game to show what plants need to grow.

The adults that were helping out on the trip were called Mrs. Clarke, Mrs Bowering, Mrs Newton, Mrs McKee, Mrs Wieczorek and Miss Dumbrell. Sarah was a Wilderness Wood ranger and Carly was her helper. After that we had our lunch. When we had finished our lunch we had great fun in the play area, even Mrs McKee had a go on the zip wire!

When we came out of the play area we went on our own walk. We had a mirror that we held in front of us and looked down to see the sky, and then we did some sketching. All the adults had a go at sketching as well!

When we had finished sketching we went to the gift shop and then went back to school.

By Joe Light, Sam Langham & William Pearce



LOGS PTA Summer Fair

The PTA wish to thank everyone who contributed to the highly successful Fair last Saturday, whether through providing cakes, plants, or books for the stalls, running the stalls or turning up and making it such an enjoyable occasion. A special thank you to the stalwarts who turned up at the crack of dawn to set up the stalls and were still in attendance at the end of the day. You know who you are!

For more details and pictures, look at the PTA Blog.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

If you wish to purchase uniform for the Autumn Term the shop will be open on Wednesday, 1st July 8.30am-9.30am and 3.30pm-4.30pm. If you wish to sell any items, please place them in a clearly named carrier bag in the Library on the morning of Tuesday, 30th June 2009.

Many thanks (PTA)



Grow Your Own Potato Competition

Reception and Year 6 have been taking part in a competition run by The Potato Council. Each class was given two *Emerald* and two *Rocket* potatoes to chit and plant on 17th March to be harvested on 23rd June. Reception children were by far the more green-fingered since they produced 1.8kg of potatoes compared with 874g from Year 6; this in spite of their plants looking as if they were dead. We have learnt a great deal about how plants grow and the ideal position for plants so that they thrive. Year 6 will re-consider where the plants are placed next year as they were attacked by slugs and snails and hit by footballs! This proved to be a very useful exercise and we will have another go next year.



Barbican Win Sports Day!!

Well done everyone in Barbican. Everybody pulled out all the stops to win the Shield for Barbican for the first time in some years. A brilliant effort by all competitors from Nursery to Year 6. Every point counted.
By Miss Murray and Mrs Jago (Barbican House Teachers).



Sports Day Photographs



Music Concert!

Last Friday there was a music concert at Morley House from 4.30 till 5.30. Lots of great talents were on show. We performed in the Joseph choir it was very exciting to perform in front of a big audience. Everyone enjoyed it. Our favourite songs were *Any Dream Will Do*, *Close Every Door to Me* and finally *Joseph's Coat*. We would like to say thank you to our singing teacher Rachel Munro and Mrs Spinks for organizing the concert, it was very enjoyable.

By Phoebe & Annabel Year 6