



word play

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English can be a difficult Language

- ✿ We polish the Polish furniture.
- ✿ He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- ✿ A farm can produce produce.
- ✿ The dump was so full it had to refuse refuse.
- ✿ The soldier decided to desert in the desert.
- ✿ The present is a good time to present the present.
- ✿ At the Army base, a bass was painted on the head of a bass drum.
- ✿ The dove dove into the bushes.
- ✿ I did not object to the object.
- ✿ The insurance for the invalid was invalid.
- ✿ The bandage was wound around the wound.
- ✿ There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- ✿ They were too close to the door to close it.
- ✿ The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- ✿ They sent a sewer down to stitch the tear in the sewer line.
- ✿ To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- ✿ The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- ✿ After a number of Novocain injections, my jaw got number.
- ✿ I shed a tear when I saw the tear in my clothes.
- ✿ I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- ✿ How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?
- ✿ I spent last evening evening on a pile of dirt.

Anagrams

An anagram, as you know, is a word or phrase made by rearranging the letters of another word or phrase. The following are exceptionally clever.

- Dormitory - *Dirty Room*
Desperation - *A Rope Ends It*
The Morse Code
- *Here come Dots*
Slot Machines
- *Cash Lost in 'em*
Animosity - *Is No Amity*
Mother-in-law - *Woman Hitler*
Snooze Alarms
- *Alas! No More Z's*
Alec Guinness - *Genuine Class*
Semolina - *Is No Meal*
The Public Art Galleries
- *Large Picture Halls, I Bet*
A Decimal Point
- *I'm a Dot in Place*
The Earthquakes
- *That Queer Shake*
Eleven plus two
- *Twelve plus one*
Contradiction - *Accord not in it*
Astronomer - *Moon Starer*
Princess Diana
- *End Is A Car Spin*
...and here is the most intriguing part...
Year Two Thousand
- *A Year to Shut Down*

SCHOOL NEWS

By Diana Cormack



Holy Trinity School children meet the Bishop of London

Holy Trinity

The School Council, which has two members from each class, attended St Paul's Cathedral for a special Millennium Service. They were accompanied by headteacher Duncan Mills and the group met the Bishop of London.

Year 4 took part in the Barnet Dance Festival held at the Hippodrome Theatre in Golders Green. Their performance, "The Sea," reflected the hard work put in by them and their teachers at the after-school dance club, Ms Hoath and Alice.

On line

Councillor Alison Moore opened the new computer room, which has one computer for every two children per class. All classes have been timetabled to use the room.

The school raised over £460 for the National Children's Homes "Action For Children" appeal.

The netball team reached the semi-finals of the area netball rally held at Queenswell Junior School.

The football team finished runners-up in the South-East Barnet League, losing only one game throughout the season.

Year 6 cricket coaching by the Middlesex Cricket Centre coach Mr Atkins was put to the test when the team made it through to the semi-finals of a local tournament.

Martin Schools

The Junior School took part in the Barnet Dance Festival at Golders Green Hippodrome.

The children performed a contemporary dance piece to the music called "Sway", by Mambo (some readers may remember the original Dean Martin version of the song). It was choreographed by class teachers Ms Howard and Ms Oldnall. They also designed the fantastic costumes, which were specially made in India by friends of teacher Mrs Mistry. It was also unusual because four children learned to use African drums, kindly lent to the school by the Henrietta Barnett School.

The early morning gym club, which has been running since Christmas, is proving to be a success. After only one term, eight members of the club were proficient enough to take part in the Barnet Gymnastics Competition. They were from Years 5 and 6 and did extremely well. One boy, Egor Sidelska, gained a bronze.

The Infant School held a special assembly to say farewell to lollipop lady Monica Herring who is retiring. Money collected by the parents and staff will be used for a water feature, which her husband will be putting in their garden.

Parents are anxious that a replacement for Monica will soon be found; much of their worry being based on the fact that the council and not the police are now responsible for the crossing used by many of their children.

Road Safety Week is from 1-7 May. Tragically, every year, more than 200 children are killed and 6,000 seriously injured due to traffic accidents. Road Safety Week is aimed at raising children's awareness of the dangers on the road and ways to ensure their safety.

Bingo

Martin Schools' PTA is holding a Bingo Night on Saturday 13 May. It starts at 7.30pm in the Junior School Hall. £5.00 will cover all your games, with all cash prizes. There will be a raffle and light refreshments will be on sale, but you can bring your own food and booze if you like.



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World book day

Recently it was announced that a "Books For Babies" scheme is to begin. Naturally, schools have always recognised the value of books and put great emphasis on them from the nursery stage onwards. Many children take part in a yearly celebration of books and related topics dreamed up and organised for them by their teachers. Here are two accounts of what happened at Martin Junior School.

Faizah Ahmad writes: -

On World Book Day we had several things lined up for us for the whole day.

Tarrant show

First of all we had to go to assembly - but not an ordinary one! A stage had been put up and Mr Jackson and Mr Pickering were sitting on the stage. Miss Oldnall was going to host a show called "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" for Mr Jackson and Mr Pickering. Mrs Driscoll said they didn't have a million pounds, so they just had to pretend. In the end both contestants won!

Later on we were back in class and Miss Oldnall said we had to take part in one of two competitions. One was to design a poster about what reading means to you and the other was to design a book token.

Mrs Driscoll told us that whenever she blew a whistle we had to sit down and read. A lady called Sue Bayliss came to our class as a guest reader. She read us a selection of books, which was nice. After lunch we watched a film called "The Secret Garden." When we finished watching our film we had a spelling test!

World Book Day was really good, seeing as I like reading.

Livia from Year 6 writes: -

The first thing we did was register and give our homework in to Miss Oldnall.

After that we went to assembly where we had to sit in half of a circle position lines and watch the assembly. Some parents and two little babies were there. First we sat to listen to the music that Atto put on.

Bard timing

After we had to watch Mrs Driscoll saying about the World Book Day, saying it would have been on Shakespeare's birthday but that was on a Sunday and they changed the day because the children wouldn't be at school.

After assembly we had a competition in which Miss Oldnall asked questions about books and Mr Pickering and Mr Jackson had to answer the questions. But at the end both of them won the competition. The competition was called "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?"

Mrs Driscoll had a whistle and we had to carry our books to read every time we heard the whistle. At lunch we had to stop eating to read our books for some minutes. Then, when we heard the whistle again we had to carry on eating.

Miss Brennan chose a film from a book called "The Secret Garden" for all Year 6 to watch. Some people nearly slept in the middle of the film. The film was long and we watched it with the teachers. At lesson time we had to sit on the carpet to hear our guest reader. Our reader read to us from four or five books. Two or three of them were about poems and the other two books were about the World Book Day. It was really interesting and the woman liked reading books a lot. After it all we had a spelling test.

My Book Day was excellent!



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Clever clogs corner

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1. St Paul's Cathedral
2. The Taj Mahal
3. The Royal Pavilion
4. The Blue Mosque
5. St Peter's
6. Sacre Coeur
7. The Royal Observatory
8. The Capital Building

Answers
1. London; 2. Agra, India; 3. Brighton; 4. Istanbul, Turkey; 5. Rome, Italy; 6. Paris, France; 7. Greenwich, London; 8. Washington DC, USA.