



YOUNG ARCHER



Martin School Years 4 and 5 on the pitch at Tottenham Hotspur Football Club. Photo by Nora Yue.

Martin Juniors visit Spurs

Thanks to the support of Barnet Education Business Partnership (see next month's *ARCHER* for a report on this) ninety Year 4 and 5 pupils spent a great day at White Hart Lane. The eight to ten-year-olds took part in an exciting maths challenge around the ground, had football coaching on the team's training pitch and toured the stadium, looking at the tunnel, celebrity boxes, changing rooms, team kits and wonderful trophies. Here is what some of them thought about it:

Tottenham Heaven

By Christian Walker

It was great. They had matches, jokes and all! The most disappointing thing is that you can't go on the pitch, I'm sorry to say. The matches were great. This really funny but strict teacher managed to teach the people who can't play to play. When we're in the boxes it's a great view. I enjoyed the trip. You should go even if you don't support them!

Tottenham Hotspurs

By Jadel Harvey

I liked it when we played footie and went on the tour. We had lots of fun. I even touched Doherty's tee shirt – he is number 12. I even saved goals at White Hart Lane. I sat in Glen Hoddle's seat (wow) and I sat in the away room (how cool). I also walked through the tunnel (wicked) and sat in the canteen room where some of the press go at half-time. I also sat in one of the press seats.

Tottenham

By Fatima Abubaka

On Wednesday Years 4 and 5 went to Tottenham Hotspurs Football Club. First we did the maths trail. It was easy and the sheet tells you what to do. It was fun. Then we did some warm-ups and we played football. Bryan showed us how to pass a ball and how to stop. We played matches and we won. The score was 2-1. Then it was lunchtime. Then we went to the changing rooms and we saw football shirts. When we were doing the maths trail we were not allowed to go on the football pitch and I really enjoyed it. I wish we could go there again.

Peace Poems

Children in Year 5 of Holy Trinity School wrote these acrostic poems for an Easter assembly, which took place on the morning after the war in Iraq ended.

Peace is a gift of love
Each of us should remember
Always thinking
Caring, sharing
Everyone has something on their mind.

By Russell Warman aged 9

People be passionate about each other
Everyone unite together
All around the world
Comfort everyone in need
Equality brings peace.

By Savannah Francis aged 9

Peace is a gift from God
Everyone should get on with each other
All of us should come together
Care for God and for each other
Enjoy the world as one.

By Luke Gwynette aged 8

Peace on earth would be perfect
Everybody is equal
Actions speak louder than words
Care for the globe
Everlasting love, spread through the world.

By Oliver Easterbrook aged 8

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PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

By Diana Cormack

Holy Trinity School

Everyone who attended a music morning at the school was impressed by the range of musical talents displayed by the children. Performances included guitar and recorder groups, the junior choir, infant classes, piano and woodwind students and music festival contributions.

Four pupils from Year 6 and one from Year 4 are raising money for the McMillan Cancer Relief charity by taking part in a sponsored swimathon.

The annual Easter Egg Bonanza was enjoyed by all.

Martin Schools

Spurs was not the only visit for Year 5 (see *YOUNG ARCHER*). They also visited Clay Lane Environmental Centre to learn about water. By taking part in experimental activities involving things like evaporation, measurement, absorption and dilution, they learned many scientific and mathematical facts. They went into a water cleansing plant and then played games about water.

Money-raising projects have included Red Nose Day, when the children came to school wearing red noses and clothes. Staff face-painted red noses on those children who had not got one. They raised £130.

This year the PTA helped teachers at the bi-annual book fair. For the first time refreshments were provided for parents, while children browsed among the books. Takings exceeded those of previous fairs. The sale of Scholastic books raised £776 which will enable the school to choose several hundred pounds worth of free books for the library.

A former member of the infant staff is undertaking a trek to Machu Picchu in Peru to raise funds for cancer treatment and equipment at University College Hospital. The PTA sold tea and cakes in order to fund the initial expenses for the trek and raised £208.

Mother's Day was celebrated in the nursery with a tea party where the children presented their mothers with plants that they had grown themselves.

Reception children have been on an educational visit to Highgate Woods and older pupils took part in a geographical study along the High Road and a visit to the Natural History Museum.