



PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

By Diana Cormack

Holy Trinity School

Chess Club

The under nines chess team performed very well at the National Schools Team Championships held in Ilford. They missed out on a place in the National Finals by just half a point.

Book Week

World Book Day was celebrated with a Book Fair and during the week the children were involved in a range of activities to improve their speaking and listening skills. These included a visiting storyteller, Evelyn Donar from the Anna Scher Theatre, who enchanted the whole school; different age groups mixing to talk about books they had chosen for each other; designing book covers and a posters competition.

Educational Visits

Year 1 went behind the scenes at Sainsbury's, North Finchley to see how things work. This included having a go on the tills; their maths topic this term is money.

Year 4 visited The Royal Institution of Great Britain for a science lecture on magnetism. They also went to the Tower of London, where part of their time was spent investigating the demise of Sir Simon Lord Lovat Fraser, the ancestor of one of the children.

Barnet Dance Festival

A team of six girls, called Holy Trinity Cha Cha, performed mixed modern and Latin American dances they had made up together with their teacher Melissa Cadwell. This took place at the Chicken Shed Theatre.



Martin Junior children in traditional waistcoats for their Greek dance with teacher Chrysoulla Nicolaou, photo courtesy of Martin Schools

Martin Schools

Art Exhibition – Canaletto

Everyone who visited the exhibition was highly impressed by the quality and variety of work on display (see page 10).

Open Afternoon

Existing and prospective parents were given the opportunity to see the schools at work. A special theme was the development of writing as children progress from nursery to Year 6, emphasising the quality of their written work.

Awards for All

The many extra curricular sporting activities have received a tremendous boost from lottery sports funding. The money provides extra equipment and three coaches to lead multi-sports sessions from March until October. By the end of the project, 180 local children will have had the chance to play basketball, rugby or hockey in the school playground or on the field.

World Book Day

Year 6 took a special assembly that day and children in the school dressed up as literary characters.

Barnet Dance Festival

Twelve children from Year 3 (pictured above), in traditional Greek costume, were one of the youngest groups to perform in front of a large audience. They presented their Circle Dance with absolute precision. Five former pupils, now at secondary school, also took part and are continuing their dance skills, fostered at Martin School, on to GCSE level.

Magic Lantern

Year 5 learned a lot from the ever-popular Magic Lantern visit, which focused on their Tudor history project and set the scene for the work they are doing this term.

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Ella and her friends selling the cakes Photo by Julie Taylor

Home Made Success

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For a long time seven-year-old Ella Taylor of Bedford Road, East Finchley had been trying to think of a way to raise money for Marie Curie Cancer Care. Ella loves swimming and thought about a sponsored swim or maybe a sponsored run. She discussed other ideas with her friends, but the solution came when Ella was telling her neighbour about it, for she remembered a successful fund raising event from her own childhood.

Here is what Ella wrote for *THE ARCHER* about what she did:

"I decided to have a cake stall to raise money for Marie Curie because my grandma Sybil was looked after there and was treated so well.

Marie Curie sent me daffodil badges to sell for the daffodil appeal. We also had banners and posters. They were very pleased that I was doing the sale.

I chose to have three friends to help me make the cakes and sell them. They are called Isla, Rosie and Annie. Zack and Molly, my sister, helped too. I designed leaflets and posters and dropped them in to the people we know in the area.

The cake sale was a great success. Lots of people came and every cake was bought. We raised £75 and then received more donations for daffodils, raising a total of £100."

People in the neighbourhood were all very impressed with Ella's efforts. Ella, who is in Year 2 at Martin Infant School, is already considering other ways of raising money for such a good

cause. Congratulations Ella, you have done really well!

If you know of any young

people who help others in some way, please let *YOUNG ARCHER* know.

The Stone Mason's Yard

Children in Martin Schools produced some fantastic work when they studied this painting of Venice by Canaletto. Three Year 6 children wrote these lovely poems:

The Light on the Spires
The spires all did glow
And the golden windows shone
Dull were the columns of great brick
In shadow hid the roofs
Dark and light of all combined
And the sea was in the sky
Over the spires of Venice.

By Emily

A Mythical Picture

It's Dusty, Bright,
Magical Colours,
Foggy Sky,
Tall Towers,
Bleached Ruby Roofs,
Gold Tin Chimneys;
That is Venice...

By Frances

Images

Bleached sky,
Paned windows,
Darkened wood,
Dulled atmosphere,
Shining chimneys,
Strong colours.
It glows.

By Oliver

East Finchley Baptist Church

Just off the High Road in Creighton Avenue N2

Sundays at 11.00 am and 6.30 pm

For more information
please contact the Church Office
Tel: 8883 1544 (Minister: Simon Dyke)

Visitors always welcome

All Saints' Church, Durham Road, East Finchley Church of England

Sunday masses at 8.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m.
Weekday masses at 10.00 a.m.
Prayer requests are gladly accepted.

The Parish has a flourishing social life.
Contact the Vicar, Fr Christopher Hardy,
on 020 8883 9315.

All Saints' also has a strong musical tradition and an enthusiastic choir of both adults and children.
Experienced singers are always welcome.
Contact Geoffrey Hanson on 020 8444 9214.

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