



Beckham signs for Holy Trinity

By Anum Bandey and Lois Lawrence, Year 4

David Beckham signed an England football shirt that was auctioned at our Summer Fair at Holy Trinity School. Nine other England players had signed the shirt too. When it was auctioned, it raised an amazing £1,700 for the school, thanks to a mystery bidder on the phone.



Alexander Ormerod with the signed England shirt that raised £1,700. Picture by John Lawrence.

The tombola was good fun too. We won some Bourbon chocolate biscuits, bubble bath, face cream and some toothpaste. If you wanted to win something, then you had to get a ticket with a 5 or 0 on the end.

The next one we went to was the toy stall. We got an England rubber, candy, bonus ball, windpipe and a creepy crawly set.

The face painting stall was giving children all kinds of faces from sea creatures with dolphin shapes to Count Dracula.

We were very hungry so we went to the food and drink stall. The people serving drinks were always busy because it was very very hot.

There were lots of other things to see, including a bouncy castle, a cake stall, some nail painting and even someone giving parents a massage in a chair.

Everybody there enjoyed the summer fair and it raised thousands of pounds to go towards school funds. Thank you to everyone who came and hope to see you next year.



The winning Starfish team with their trophy. Photo by Helen Drake

Raise the cup and cheer

By Kate Fuscoe

World Cup fever peaked on Saturday 17 June and the sun shone once again for the annual East Finchley Festival football tournament, hosted by Martin Schools at their Summer Fun Day.

Play started on the Martin Schools' field at 10.30am, with 18 teams from Holy Trinity and Martin battling it out for a place in the final. After a series of matches carefully monitored by referees James Johnson, David Noden, Steve Parsons, Mike Harris and Dave Tossell, the Infant Cup was won by Martin's Year 2 class, Starfish. The Junior

shield finally went to Martin's 6J, after a nail-biting final against their opponents 5M.

Overall, the children played very well, with good sportsmanship, said the referees. Councillor Alison Moore presented the trophies, and congratulated the children on their excellent play (and could someone please explain the offside rule?).

Martin School Fun Day

By Rosamund Casimir-Brown and Amber Albani, Martin Junior pupils

The Martin School's Summer Fun Day was great fun, and really hot, but for us, rather wet, thanks to four boys who sprayed us with water guns all day! There were loads of people there, but it wasn't overcrowded.

There were tons of things to do, including the tombola, raffle, hook-a-duck, a fancy dress competition, and a giant inflatable slide! There was also delicious food and lovely drinks, as well as a relaxing, shady spot to eat and drink.

Everyone also enjoyed the live music being played by Alan Gruner (the Schools' Music Co-ordinator) and his band, with some spectacular vocal numbers from Martin pupil Laura O'Driscoll and Luzolo, a former pupil.

The Summer Fun Day was especially good for some people, as they won a prize in the raffle. Eti Wade won £200 of Budgens vouchers, Sooay Powell won £150 of hair products from 202 Hair Stylists, and Rosamund (me!) won a £100 voucher to spend at Top Shop! Overall, it was a fantastic day, and we know it will be just as good next year.



Eti Wade, pictured with eldest son Mikha'el, after she won £200 of Budgens vouchers, the first prize in the Martin Schools' Summer Fun Day raffle. Picture by Helen Drake

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PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

By Diana Cormack

Holy Trinity

The school's commitment to promoting the benefits of physical activity has been recognised by Holy Trinity receiving the Active Mark Gold Extension Award.

Despite being a small school, Holy Trinity entered two teams in the Barnet Schools Tag Rugby Sevens Tournament at Finchley Rugby Club. The "A" team were runners up to a school with three times as many pupils to choose from, whom they had beaten but who had scored one more try overall in the group matches. The Holy Trinity teams played each other twice in the tournament and it was one win each.

Walk to School Week was well supported in spite of the inclement weather, with many families making the effort and thinking about the environment. The School Travel Plan was

approved and the money received will be spent on new playground apparatus.

Martin Schools

An advisory teacher from Mill Hill County visited the junior school after hearing about the high quality design technology work going on there. She was immensely impressed by both the work and the vibrant atmosphere and said that secondary schools could learn from the imaginative way Martin Junior approached the subject.

As part of the drive to increase enthusiasm for science, a parent volunteer organised a special treasure hunt for Year 5 on the theme of space. Working in groups, the children had great fun searching the building and field for clues.

The cricket team had an enjoy-

able day at Barnet Cricket Tournament where they were just beaten in the knock-out but won all four of their friendly matches.

Three boys, Devini and Navin Patel and Kieran Nunkoo, have been chosen to represent Britain in an international karate competition in Cyprus.

The school choir took part in the annual Barnet Music Festival at the arts depot.

Both schools were involved in Multicultural Week at the end of June, with an International Evening being one of the planned highlights.

The infants celebrated World Cup Day on 20 June by wearing their team's kit to school, for which they paid £1. All countries and types were welcome and the money raised was donated to the School Amenities fund.