

Highwood Round up February 2019

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Exploring snow in Reception

The children had a great time exploring the snow in the Early Years garden.



"I liked going in the snow. It was cold so I just went in it for a little bit. I don't like cold." Violet



"I love snow. It is cold like ice but you can walk on it and touch it." Tatiana



"I made a big ball with snow. Just roll it and roll it and it keeps on getting bigger." Stanley



Author Jackie Marchant visits Year 3 and 4

Jackie Marchant, who writes funny books about a boy called Dougal Daley, visited Year 3 and 4. She shared her wonderful stories and the children had the opportunity to buy a signed copy of her book.



"The author was fun because she showed us some clothes that belong to the characters in the book." Tahira

"Jackie has amazing books. I like how they are a bit real." Isha

"I had fun meeting Jackie and I am enjoying reading her books." Adisson



Year 5 and 6 Internet Safety workshop

The workshop made the children aware of how they can keep themselves safe when using apps and online games and recommended that they should check their privacy settings weekly.

"It was very shocking and made me realise how dangerous the internet really is. However, it was very interesting and was something you should listen and pay attention to." Aline



"I think the internet safety was interesting because it told you what you need to do to be safe on the internet and you have footprints that do not wash off." Tate

"The lady taught us how to be safe on the internet and if some things going on always tell someone. It was effective because we watched a video and it's surprising how many bad things can happen on the internet." Madison



"I think it helps people realise how dangerous the internet can be. It was helpful to understand why it's good to be safe on the internet." Enes

Coding Club

Children from across the school have been enjoying attending Coding Club where they have been developing coding skills using Fuze basic.



"I really enjoy it and it's a chance to do something new." Alice Year 5

"It's good to help you learn how to create fun things." Joe Year 5



Year 6 Distractions Road Safety

The children learnt how to be safe while walking and crossing roads and about the danger of using mobile phones when doing it.

"The road safety workshop was super helpful! My favourite part was drawing the posters it was super fun." Lily



"I think that the road safety workshop was very useful and I learnt a lot like earphones can kill." Diva



"I really enjoyed the workshop because we played a game that proved that it was dangerous to walk across the road with a phone while texting. It was really useful." Charlie

"I really enjoyed the road safety activity and it was really helpful because now most people know that it's dangerous to listen to music or text while crossing a road." Mellina

Year 2 Model Art Galleries

In Year 2 the children have been reading a book called 'Claude in the City' By Alex .T. Smith. In the book, a robber steals a sculpture from an Art Gallery and Claude saves the day. As part of the topic the children worked in pairs to design their own Art Galleries and this time they made sure the precious sculpture was protected with an alarm.



"It was really fun because my partner had really good ideas. The buzzer alarm worked really well because when we did it we thought carefully about where the wires and switch would go so that the robber wouldn't see it." Leah

"I really enjoyed experimenting with the material to make the sculptures. I loved using the pipe cleaners to make our main sculpture" Willow



Year 6 Puppets

The children continue to make their puppets, they have started to paint the canvases for the backdrop and make props for the upcoming show.

"I think the puppets are going really well and the canvases are really bright and colourful." Janell



"Today's puppet lesson was really fun. I loved it at the end, when Jeremy showed us what it would look like with the backdrop and puppet." Lavinia



"Today we finished our backdrops. It was fun because I got to paint the outlines for the mountains." Ashley



"It was really fun today. I painted my puppets feet. I also painted the canvas." Hirra

Year 6 Athletics

The children went to Queens' School and took part in a variety of throwing, jumping and running events. Overall, they came 5th out of 10 Schools.



"It was so fun going to Queens'. We did so many activities. My favourite was the relay because we won. It was amazing." Simi

"The athletics challenge was difficult but exciting. The most challenging activity I did was called 6 lap. We were split into pairs and you had to do 3 laps each. We didn't win but we did really well as a team." Ryan

"I liked the athletics tournament. We raced against other schools. My favourite one was the over and under race because I was very fast at it. It was really fun." Lily-Mai

"It was amazing as we got to compete against other schools. Also I had fun doing the activities." Aline



Year 2 trip to Holy Trinity Church

Year 2 visited Holy Trinity Church. Whilst there, they handled items of Christian religious significance and explored how they are used.

"It was really fun and I learnt that the wine represents Jesus' blood." Millie



"I learnt that Jesus was baptised and now they baptise babies in the church. I also learnt that the priest wears a different coloured coats for each season." Bailey



"I got to taste the wafer. It didn't taste of anything, it was quite plain. They gave us a wafer because Jesus gave his disciples some bread. He did this because he knew he was going to die and he wanted people to remember him." Bethany

"I liked it when we had to find all the important objects in the church for example candles, the altar and the lectern. I liked drawing a picture of the church and eating a biscuit." Fajr

Year 5 and 6 Football Tournament

The tournament took place at Watford FC training ground. The children played 7 games and came 6th in their group. The children also got to meet some of the Watford players



"Going to Watford training ground was an amazing experience. It looked very professional with all the A-class pitches surrounding us. We were in a huge dome that was like a bouncy castle. We played seven games and by the end we were exhausted. You had to finish top of the group to go into the semi-finals. One of the best bits was when we saw Domingos Quina and Adam Masina who are Watford players." Allan.

"The Watford dome was awesome because it was a massive circle and inside was fake grass and laid out pitches. We arrived at 7.40am and left at 3.15pm. Although we didn't win we were a really strong team." Ryan



Year 5 Rock Up

Year 5 went to Rock Up to experience what it might be like to climb a mountain.

"Rock Up was a fun way to start our topic on mountains. My favourite wall was the one with the ropes called jungle adventure." Georgina



"I enjoyed Rock Up lots because it tested my skills and helped me keep trying until I succeeded." Rhea

"Rock Up was fun but also complicated as you had to climb up walls, ladders and even pipes!" Owen



"I loved the Stairway to Heaven and the wall called Dry Ice. You had to use ice picks and climb whilst putting the ice picks in the holes." Yasir



"I really liked Rock Up because it was fun and we've never had a school trip for climbing before." Clara

"I enjoyed Rock Up because we got to climb up and it is something different that we don't normally get to do in school." Eva



"Rock Up was an amazing experience and it was really exciting to rock climb for the first time." Mihika

