

**A CELEBRATION ON WHAT WE HAVE
ACHIEVED**

THE CHILDREN OF HIGHFIELD PRIMARY
SCHOOL HAVE REFLECTED ON THE YEAR
2011 TO 2012 AND HAVE CHOSEN SOME
MEMORABLE HEADLINES TO SHARE WITH
YOU.

**THEIR ENJOYMENT OF LEARNING IS
WHAT WE STRIVE FOR!**



"Together we can achieve more"

Nursery's Highlights of the Year

A visit from Charles Mason, the "Animal Man"



As part of our topic "Walking Through the Jungle," we invited the animal man to visit with his amazing animals. The chinchilla, owl and lizard were favourites, but everyone wanted to touch the snake. Lewis commented, "It was long and slippery and sticky." The children remembered a great deal about the animals and talked about what they saw, heard and felt. They produced



a variety of paintings, models and made their own booklets. "I liked it when the owl was flying," said Joyce.

Pirates Ahoy

Before half term, the children showed a great deal of interest in pirates and boats. We looked at books about pirates, built boats and sailed the seven seas. The children loved making their own boats and experimented to see whether they would float or not. They followed maps and used positional language to find treasure. They counted their gold and hid it in our garden. They wrote messages in a bottle and acted out being rescued. There was lots of singing of pirate songs. They made splendid pirates. One dad said, "He has been talking about pirates and treasure all the time."



Parental Involvement **Broomfield Park**

We had a great day at Broomfield Park where parents, children and staff helped make it a special time. The children enjoyed playing with all the grown-ups and showed that they were able to “form good relationships with adults and peers” (FS profile). Not only did the children develop their personal, social and communication skills, but also their physical skills as there was lots of running, jumping, catching and throwing to be done.



Cake Sale

Many people very kindly donated cakes for our recent ‘Cake Sale’ and parents came to buy and spend some time in the nursery. Everyone helped where they could and one mum did a tremendous job face painting. A number of parents said, “It’s nice to spend time with the children and other mums and dads.”



Reception Highlights of the Year 2011/2012.

Our visit to Willows Farm.

All three Reception classes enjoyed a fantastic day out at Willows Farm. The children were very well behaved and enthusiastic to see, feed, touch and learn about the different farm animals.

Kieran RM said: "We liked the sheep racing."

Viktor RC said: "We went on the tractor and the tractor went in the water. They were big mud puddles.

RA said:



Our Class Assemblies.

We all loved performing our class assemblies to our friends and families.

RA's assembly was based on the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.

RC's assembly was all about the farm visit, including the story of 'Mrs Wishy-Washy'. Qadijo said: "We sang 'many nights we prayed, when you believe'. When you believe something you can achieve anything".

RM's assembly was based around the theme of the jungle. Holly said: "We enjoyed singing to everybody".



Our Jubilee Celebrations.

We learnt about the Queen and her long reign. We dressed up in red, white and blue clothes and had a special Jubilee picnic on the field.

Chloe RC said: "I liked playing the games at our jubilee picnic."

Wilton RM said: "We ate crisps and biscuits."

RA said: "



Year 1 Highlights



Chicks

“My favourite part of Year 1 was when we had the chicks because they were fluffy like a pillow,” Enzo 1L

In Year 1 we used the chicks as part of our science – living things. Children drew them and were allowed to hold them. They looked at the life cycle of a chick and created chick cards for Easter.

Trip



Year 1 had a fantastic trip to both the Discovery Centre and Epping Forest. At Discovery Centre the children explored creative stimuli, for example, dressing up, building houses and running through caves. Children followed this up with impromptu stories about saving the planet

Squiggley Diggley. Back at school they made puppets and wrote their own stories on the same theme. Also they explored Epping Forest and hugged trees. The children enjoyed looking for mini-beasts and having a story in the middle of the forest.

Animal Man



As part of our Planet Earth topic the 'Animal Man' visited! Children learnt how to tell if an owl came out at night or was daytime owl. They all got the snake and some children had the opportunity to hold an animal. The children then wrote a recount of their experience. "The snake was really smooth," said Yekta.

Year 2 Highlights

The Living Egg project

Plant Earth was Year 2's favourite topic as they had the wonderful opportunity of watching eggs hatch into chicks. The children learned about the life cycle of a chicken and had the chance to watch the eggs go through the hatching process.

They held the chicks and made chick diaries. Emilia said "It was so cool watching the chicks come from the eggs".



Jubilee Day

Year 2 children had a fantastic day celebrating the Queens jubilee with a picnic on the field. In the morning they made crowns, stain glass flags and paper chains. They had fun playing games and sharing food with Year 3 in the aft

Bug Hunting

To consolidate our Science topic on Living things in their environment, Year 2 went on a trip to Abbey farm house. They played a game to find out what animals needs to survive and hunted for mini-beasts in trees, long grass, on the path, on the walls and in long grass.

Kaan, Sonny and Alesia said " we've found a snails tree" when they found a tree full of snails.



Year 3's Highlights of the Year.



Learning about Planet Earth.

Planet Earth was Year 3's favourite topic. The children enjoyed setting up different habitats in their classrooms as we were comparing habitats around the world. We also found out about The Seven Wonders of the World. 3B and 3PM's assemblies were about these themes, which the children put together splendidly.

We also went back in time and visited The Ancient Egyptians. After learning about mummification, the children wrote instructions on how to make a mummy. They enjoyed learning about Tutankhamun, the afterlife, The River Nile and the amazing pyramids.

"I really enjoyed making an information book on Tutankhamun." Shima 3M.

"My highlight was making a map of the River Nile. It was very interesting" Adeel 3B

"Tutankhamun's death mask is breathtaking. I took my time drawing it in chalk as it is so special." Abbey 3PM

Musical Extravaganzas



This year, Year 3 enjoyed the African drumming that took place in October. Afrikan Fusion came into school and spent the day teaching us African songs, dances and drumming. At the end of the day we performed to the whole school.

"I liked the singing and drumming. It was fun," Sophia 3B. "I really loved the African drumming, it was difficult at first. We then performed to the rest of the school!"

Isobella 3PM

"As well as drumming, we learnt about Africa and all its different countries." Taha 3M.

Later on in the year, we performed to the school again! This time it was our singing that captivated the audience. We were lucky to have Charlotte (from EASS) teaching us how to sing properly for 10 weeks. The children enjoyed learning new songs, rhymes and rhythms.



**"My favourite song was I'm a Giraffe" Justin 3M.
"The songs were fun, especially when we sang in rounds! That was difficult!" Rimante 3B.
"We took part in Enfield Sings. We learnt lots of great new songs. I really enjoyed the Space Jam song" Matthew 3PM.**

Jubilee Day.

Year 3 had a FANTASTIC DAY celebrating the Queens Diamond Jubilee. In the morning we made red and blue crowns and paper chain bunting. Then in the afternoon we had a picnic on the field with Year 2 and our families. It was a lovely afternoon where we played games and shared our food. We even managed to sing the National Anthem!!!!



"I really enjoyed taking part in the penalty shoot out." Gleni 3M

"We had fun on the field for the Jubilee. I really enjoyed the picnic." Ranim 3PM

"The day was good fun. We shared food and played games." Luka 3B.



Year 4 Highlights 2012



Year 4 has been a rather memorable year for me. I enjoyed everything but three things stand out the most. One highlight hasn't even happened yet - the sleepover!



During the year there have been many interesting events. The one highlight for me was when we made the Benin heads because it was a lot of fun.

Anjali 4T

An important highlight was playing an educational game, dodge ball, also the spectacular Science workshop. Although I wanted to write about more highlights, I was only allowed to choose 3: my last highlight is the amazing CLC trip



Oliwia 4I

One thing I enjoyed this year was the chicks coming into our class. I enjoyed this because they were very funny! Now they are chickens and they are very fat!

They always go outside to eat. One of them is called Daisy, one of them is called Geraldine, another one is called Muffin and my favourite one is Coco.

I wish that I could have a pet chicken!

Mathew 4I

One highlight for me was the African drumming. Although whenever my hands hit the drum they ached, it was fun!

Emre 4T



One of the highlight of the year was the key Stage 2 disco. It was an opportunity to dress up and listen to my favourite songs. Also I had fun meeting my friends. Another highlight for me was when I auditioned for 'Highfield's Got Talent'. Even though I didn't get through to the finals I was happy that I got the chance to perform to the judges.

Suzanne 4T

Although it hasn't happened yet I am looking forward to the sleep over. Our teacher said that at this sleep over we will be having hot chocolate, popcorn and, with the popcorn, Miss Ikoloh said we are going to watch films, play games outside and then we will play dodge ball. As well as this I will particularly enjoy sleeping on the floor.

Jessica 4I

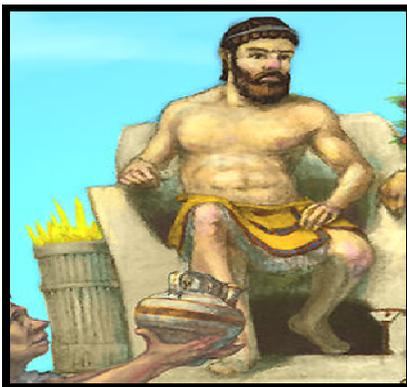
Year 5's Highlights of the Year

It has been an action-packed and fun year, full of various highlights. From The Victorians to How Sound Travels, Year 5 have learnt all manner of subjects themed around our Topics: Magic and Mystery, Planet Earth and most recently, The Olympics.



Go Green Fashion Show

The Go Green Fashion Show represented a high moment for many of the year group. Above are some of 5H sporting their recycled outfits that they wore whilst strutting down the catwalk. Aisha commented, "**My sister is a model so I loved performing on the catwalk.**" The boys also enjoyed the opportunity to dress up, as you can see from the photos above!



The Ancient Greeks

Year 5 have learnt all about The Ancient Greeks and their Gods and Goddesses this year and have furthered their knowledge on The Victorians, creating play scripts and acting them out loud. Nayana in 5H said, "**The Ancient Greeks has been the most interesting topic I've learnt about.**" Nayana and her year group got to learn all about the myths associated with Ancient Greece too, with a particular favourite being that of Persephone, whose father, Zeus, is pictured above.

Assemblies

5H ran with the theme of Magic and Mystery through their choice of assembly: Alice and Wonderland. Amy played Alice and gave a mightily convincing performance. Dilara commented that her particular highlight from this was, "**Singing Painting The Roses Red whilst dressed up as a card from a playing-deck!**" In English the year group studied the text as well as many other notable stories such as The Sheep Pig, The Piano, There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom and The Firework Maker's Daughter.

Tolmers Activity Centre

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their school trip this year to Tolmers Activity centre in Cuffley. They got to participate in activities they had never done before. These being Canoeing, Climbing, Archery and Pedal Karts. Hareer in 5S said "**It was the best trip ever! I especially like the canoeing**"



Big Dance 2012

Year 5, along with the rest of the school, took part in the Big dance 2012. It was a challenging dance but they worked really hard on learning all the moves.



Swimming

A particular highlight for the children this year was swimming. Around 60% of the children in year 5 started the year being a non-swimmer and by the end of the sessions this decreased to around 30%. Joseph 5S said "**It was really good for people that can't swim to learn to swim.**"

Year 6



RAF Museum: We enjoyed the RAF museum because the aeroplanes looked amazing up close. The instructor showed us a classroom which looked exactly like one in the 2nd World War. Emmanuel said “My best moment was when we all went to the RAF Museum and we saw all the huge planes. I’ve never been to the RAF Museum. It was fun because we learnt different things. Also, my other best moment was learning about WW2.”

The Big Bang Poster: We loved creating the big bang posters; we were all put into fours, threes and twos. We worked as a team on our poster and we had lots fun!

Keeley quoted “The Big Bang Comic strip was extremely good fun. I enjoyed bonding with my friends and using real facts to create a fictional comic strip!”



School Journey and one day to Bushy: Most of us went on the 5 day school journey. The School Journey is one of the most memorable places that most of us have ever been to and many of us enjoyed the absailing.

Chris said “I liked JCA the most because I was doing activities with my friends and staying with them for a week”

The one day to Bushy was fun too. Lots of us enjoyed the climbing.

Ikra quoted “My best moment was when we went to The Bushy Activity centre. The best part was Jacobs Ladder. I climbed really high!” Madison quoted: “Condover Hall was a brilliant experience and I would love to go there again!”



The SATS were challenging and a lot of us enjoyed the learning we needed. Salima said “I enjoyed SATS especially the maths because it was fun. As well as doing the work, I learnt some things about the great plague in the comprehension.” Demetri said that the SATs were challenging but he enjoyed them very much.

By Cindy, Riona and Demetri

