



We Love Learning!!!!!!

Year 1 & Year 2

This week at school I have been interviewing the children from year 1 & 2 about what they enjoy about school. First I visited 1K to interview Angelina, Vicky and Christian. During our fascinating interview Christian stated that he loved the topic of time his class had recently been studying.

Further on in the interview I asked the children what subjects they enjoy the most and what they like to do at play times.

After some interesting feedback I moved into year 2. In 2C I was with Lucy and Dijani. They gave me some very

interesting answers. They really enjoyed their topic of 'Pirates'. Science was top of the list for favourite subjects.

For playtimes Dijani said that football was a fantastic game to play whilst Lucy thought 'Mums and Dads' was the best.

I then visited 2B and spoke to Patrick and Lorena. They enthusiastically told me that they loved the topic of 'The Golden Hinde' and 'The Plague'.

They extremely enjoyed writing diaries and Lorena liked experiments in Science.

At playtimes Lorena enjoyed playing 'Dare' whilst Patrick enjoyed playing a game called 'Decoy'.

I also spoke to Sophia and Wil-

liam. in 2B. They were extremely excited and wanted to ask me questions!!!!

"I love reading stories in the reading corner" stated Sophia.

"I like playing football," said William.

Unfortunately that is all for now until next time...

Reporter: Henry Year 6

House Captain of Michael

*Our House Captains are
Yasmine, Henry, Arthur
and Joanna.*

*The Vice Captains are
Allen, Lydia, Andrew and
Egan.*

Year 3 & Year 5

My name is Yasmine and I am the House Captain of Gabriel. I have spoken to a few children from year 3 & year 5.

Here are a few of the questions they were asked:

What are learning about in your class?

Luca, from 3I, said, "I enjoy fractions. It is very interesting to know that fractions with different numbers can be

equivalent."

Amelie, Savannah and Filippo from 3H said, "We are learning about Ancient Greeks. We are enjoying making the clay pots."

What do you enjoy at playtimes?

Amelie from 3H replied, "I love all the different types of sports we get to do with the

equipment. Savannah and Filippo said, "We enjoy playing football with our friends."

Lily from 5C said, "We get to build up our friendship and teamwork with each other."

What are your favourite subjects?

Lois from 3I said, "I enjoy Literacy because when I write stories I can use my imagination."

Reporter: Yasmine 6V

Reception, Year 4 & Year 6

Reception

Henry visited Reception and spoke to some of the children. They loved Red Nose Day. Patrick said, "It was funny seeing the noses!".

Emily knew that the money raised would go to charity.

I also spoke to them about their learning. They love phonics, number and reading.

Outside they really enjoy Hula hoops, Tag and 'Superheroes'.

Reporter: Andrew

Year 4

Austin Connor, Charlotte, Brown, Isabel and Zuzanna love finding out about 'The Blue Abyss'. Their favourite topics so far this year have been The Romans, The Iron Man and the maths unit on decimals.

They were excited to talk about their favourite subjects. Austin loves PE and ICT. Zuzanna, Charlotte, and Connor love Maths!!!!

Year 4 love play time and lunch times. It gives them time to relax, play with friends, eat their lunch and 'Chill Out!'.

Reporter: Daniel & Ellie

Year 6

Year 6 are truly enjoying their topic on WW2. They also love Art and PE. Harrison said, "PE is very active and keeps you healthy."

Yasmine commented on playtimes saying, "There are so many different games and lots of equipment to use."

Year 6 are working so hard and really showing such positive learning in all areas.

Daniel interviews Mr. Kutner

I interviewed Mr Kutner in the library. The teams have marched to success this season and could win a potential 5 trophies thanks to Mr Kutner and our coach Mr Casey.

Q. Was it tough picking the squad with Mr Casey?

A. It was very tough as the standard was so high.

Q. Were you optimistic about the season ahead and did you predict we would be so successful?

A. I was optimistic but I am also very

impressed at the success of all the team.

Q. Has it been tough organising so many matches?

A. It was extremely hard but worth it because of the successful season we have had.

Q. What is the highlight of the season so far?

A. The team's professionalism and positive attitude.

Q. Do you think we can achieve even more?

A. Yes there is always room for improvement.

Reporter: Daniel

Football Season so Far!

Football
Success



The 2016/2017 football season so far has been hugely successful. The Year 5 and 6 main football squad have won the league by winning all their matches. This means we are waiting to play the winners of the other league in Central Barnet to see who will be crowned the winners overall. The same team has also reached consecutive finals in the Central League Cup, of which we are the holders. The final will be against Sacred Heart after Easter. Our squad is the last Central Barnet team to still be in the Dick Bailey Cup which is a cup competition for every school in Barnet; we are in the semi-finals of this and it will also be played after Easter.

We have been victorious in the Year 4 and Year 6 Barnet Tournaments this year. Both teams won gold out of all the schools in Barnet. Again both teams did this by winning every match during the Borough finals. The Year 5 teams also did well by finishing 3rd out of all the teams in Barnet. As the Year 6

team won the Borough Finals, it meant they qualified for the London Youth Games at Crystal Palace. This is where every borough in London enters a team of their best players, either as a school or as a borough as a whole. This meant that all the teams that qualified were of a very high standard. The boys did fantastically well becoming the most successful Barnet team ever at the event by getting a bronze medal out of over 30 teams.

In every match and tournament the children have represented St Catherine's with great professionalism. They have done the school proud. Thank you to all the parents who have come to support the teams and who have helped to transport them to and from matches. A massive thank you to Mr Casey for all the hard work and dedication he gives to coach the team.

Mr Kutner.

Keeping Active at school!

Our Sports Captains went to the different year groups to find out what physical activities they enjoy.

In our Reception Taiwo and Kehinde love PE, especially when they do tennis, running and using the footballs. They run every morning to start the day. The children in reception are excited about the new sports in year 1. "I especially want to play football, tennis and rugby when I am in Year 1," said Freddie.

Year 1 & 2 love dodge ball and dance. They also love running. They like it when they are put into their houses for team games. Sophia, Cheryl and Dominic were keen to add- "Mrs Mirza always keeps us active and moving! We love when we get into groups and play team games. She makes it fair."

"Mrs Mirza makes games such fun, She sets very challenging activities."

Year 3 & Year 4 absolutely love PE. Isabel, Theo and Hannah especially like tennis and gymnastics. They also enjoy netball,

volleyball and lacrosse. Even when it rains they do lots of exercise in the classrooms and sports quizzes.

Charlotte, Dexter and Daniel said "In a normal PE lesson outside we run three laps around the playground to exercise. Sometimes Mrs Mirza sends us off with fitness cards, working in groups."

Charlotte quoted "Mrs Mirza is challenging and makes PE fun!"

Reporters: Sara, Ellie, Adriano and Daniel

Thank you Mrs Mirza!

Gymnastics- Wow what an achievement!

On Wednesday 15th March it was the first time St Catherine's had participated in the **Key Steps Gymnastics competition** at Queen Elizabeth Girls School. **Congratulations to our Year 2 team who came 1st in this competition (Gold Medallist) out of 12 schools in Barnet.** **Congratulations to our Year 3 & 4 team who came 1st in this competition (Gold Medallist) out of 14 schools in Barnet.** **Congratulations to our Year 5 & 6 team for achieving 3rd place (Bronze Medallists) out of 16 schools within Barnet.**

Egan interviewed a few of our gymnasts. It was obvious they loved the whole experience and enjoyed competing at QE Girls. They want to go there again next year and win!

Netball

St Catherine's Netball team have had a terrific season, as they have only conceded 1 goal so far. Our defence have remained tight by double marking players to avoid our opponents scoring. In addition, our attackers have supported our shooters to score some brilliant goals despite the severe weather conditions we have had to face. We have won all our league matches by large goal differences:

St Catherine's 6 vs Whittings Hill 0
11 vs All Saints 1
21 vs Underhill 0
19 vs St Andrews 0

Therefore, St Catherine's Netball team are Pool A Winners and are yet to play pool B winners. This success has continued in the High 5 Netball tournament at QE Girls in January when we came 2nd overall out of 10 schools. As a result we were selected to compete in the Netball borough final where we came 8th out of 20 schools in Barnet. Speaking to the Netball team they mentioned their personal highlights this season:

"I feel my defensive skills have really improved and I noticed this when we played in the Netball tournament as the other team didn't score." Isabella Gunzi 5B

"My highlight this season was during the netball tournament I scored 4 goals all in the third quarter. One of the goals was shot from a very unusual angle and yet I still managed to score." Sharelle Tiapi Tawamba 6V



The Voice of the Children

An interview with Luca

Today I spoke to Luca in 6C who is in the A Team in netball. He told me many interesting things about the netball and about the matches so far this season. The A Team Players are as follows:

Isabella 5B
Lucas R 5C
Francesca 6V
Dara 6V
Sharelle 6V
Luca 6C
Joseph 6C
Michelle 6C

These children were elected to represent St Catherine's and had an amazing season. We also have a B Team- Paulina, Carlos, Winona, Layni, Lewis, Joanna and Giulietta. They played Whittings Hill and won 6-1.

Reporter: Sara 6V



We love all the activities we do at St Catherine's. Thank you to everyone who helps us!

Our Sports Captains are Sara, Daniel, Ellie and Adriano.

Fundraising at St Catherine's

Called To serve!

This has been an amazing year so far!
The children and parents have been so keen to raise money for a large range of fundraising events.

- ⇒ Macmillan Coffee Morning
- ⇒ Harvest Festival
- ⇒ Save The Children Fund
- ⇒ Noah's Ark Fund
- ⇒ Red Nose Day
- ⇒ North London Hospice
- ⇒ Great Ormond Street
- ⇒ Austistic Society
- ⇒ Pendsey trust
- ⇒ Catholic Children Society -our fundraising priority this term
- ⇒ Cafod
- ⇒ Cancer Research

Thank you to all the children for their wonderful ideas and enthusiasm which really make a difference. I know that we have lots of fundraising events planned in the coming months.

The Term Ahead!

Our Fundraising Captains are Amy, Daniel C, Liam and Leon. We look forward to another exciting term. We have already had several groups who have put forward their fundraising plans.

Our next whole school fundraising event will be to raise money for Mary Immaculate and St Gregory's Parish Church through our sponsored spell.

Father John spoke to the children about the building works and the new stain glass windows. We look forward to this event!



This is how the church will look when it is finished. Please sponsor your child.
Thank You!