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World of Science

Next Thursday, London Zoo will be visiting Oak Lodge. Kate, an Outreach worker, is coming in to talk to pupils about the work she does and why it is so important that we care for animals that share the Earth with us.

Friday, 15th October ,is Global Hand-Washing Day. Pupils and staff will be brushing up on their hand-washing techniques to help keep the germs at bay and ensure we remain healthy for the rest of the term.



From the Head Teacher

School Uniform

Could we remind you that all students in Year 7-11 are expected to wear our school uniform, which is a white shirt, plain black jumper or sweatshirt and black trousers or skirt.

Barnet Council wants your ideas on how best to support children and families with a smaller budget. The Council has set up a new ideas website for residents to make suggestions for how the Council can adapt its services to cope with a reduced budget from central government. Over the next 3 years, the council is likely to have to reduce its spending by around 20%. You can give your ideas on how services could develop by visiting www.ideas.barnet.gov.uk.

For further information, please contact Effy Constantinou on 020 8359 7293 or at effy.constantinou@barnet.gov.uk

Brent Cross Shopping Centre is working with Barnet Council to bring a week of interactive events aimed at inspiring young people to realise their talents and find out what they can do with them. From science to sport to fashion, there will be something for everyone. Barnet Talent Week runs from 25-29 October at Brent Cross Shopping Centre. Every day there will be members of Barnet Council's Youth and Connexions team present to provide advice and guidance on how to access the education, training, development and career opportunities available to young people so that they can make the most of their talents. Activities will run each day from 11am-6pm.

Programme:

- **Monday and Tuesday**
The World of Science:
Experiments and demonstrations hosted by the Science Museum.
- **Wednesday**
Craft and Creativity:
Everything from t-shirt and jewellery-making to engineering, hosted by The Making.
- **Thursday**
Blowdryers to Toolboxes:
Vocational workshops including fashion, styling, hair and make-up and construction with Middlesex University and Barnet College.

Read at home.

One of the best ways to help your child improve their reading is to read with them at home. We currently have on sale at the school *The Oxford Reading Tree Read at Home* set of books. The set contains 30 Read at Home stories that have fun activities at the end of each book to extend your child's reading skills. The set also contains an easy to use handbook that will help you to make learning fun for both you and your child.

The set costs £15. We can accept cheques or cash. Orders need to be into the school with payment by Wednesday, 13th October.

From the classes.

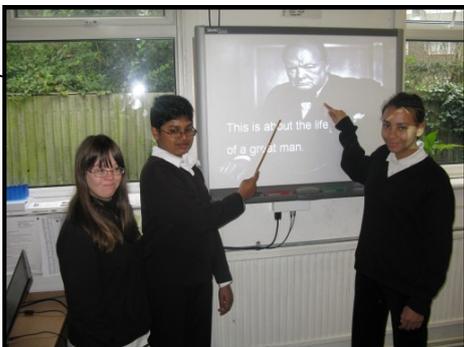
S5 have been showing some responsibility in caring for two rabbits. Students have taken turns to feed, clean and exercise the rabbits. It has been a strange sight seeing students taking the rabbits for a walk on special rabbit harnesses and leads. Students have all been very responsible in treating the animals with care and kindness.

S3 got the chance to interview **Macbeth** in their weekly drama session at Hendon School. They asked some great questions about the characters in the play.

L3 this week have been learning how to make our own script for a play. We have also been honing our research and presentation skills using multi media.



S7 have been studying Sir Winston Churchill in preparation for their forthcoming trip to the Churchill War Rooms on 19th



L1 had a France-themed day yesterday to help with their topic of '**Travellers and Voyagers**.' They looked at different ways they would travel to France and looked at French money. We are hoping to visit the French market today.



We are proud to present
'The Jack Petchey Winners 2009-2010'

We attended a fantastic evening of entertainment and the award winners met The Deputy Mayor of Barnet, Lisa Rutter and had the medals presented by players from Barnet FC.

Our superstars are Kieron Bolley, Shika Adjorlolo, Lauren Cooper, Philip Du, Joe Festa & Kojo Agyeman-Badu.
Leader's Award: Patsy Abbott

S8 have had Asher and Jack win merits for their good work this week. Students are looking forward to their history trip to the Churchill War rooms. The whole class is also really excited about challenging S7 to a hockey game in P.E.

L2 are moving on from their topic on Transport to looking more closely at Rivers. If anyone gets the chance to look at a river over the weekend it will really help students' learning.