



# Brundall School News - 9

## March 2010

In the midst of the packed Science Museum in London over the half term, I was delighted to see a family from school making their way through the crowds. After being in amongst thousands of strangers, it put a big smile on my face to see familiar faces from school. And on the way back on the tube, with all the different trains to get, and different carriages to get into, Bobby and I ended up in the carriage that another family from school had boarded! I don't know what the mathematical chances are of this happening-it certainly seemed amazing to me to encounter two families from school.

Once we identify 'what we're looking for', we seem to have a better chance of finding it. This is part of the thinking behind our School Improvement Plan which was drawn up after our visioning the future morning. One of the Key Priorities was continuing to develop an active, hands on curriculum for learning. I think the Topic Traders Week, at the end of the half term, was an excellent example of this target in practice. The Market Day on the Friday morning was an exciting demonstration of the children's learning-and how they had turned their learning into practical products, games and experiences, and prepared their classrooms for presenting their products in the best way. Our 'mystery shoppers' were very positive about the classes, and it was great to see so many parents visiting the school to see (and buy!) the work on display. I would like to thank all the staff involved for the enormous effort that went into making such a memorable week of learning for our children.

Another Key Priority is the continued development of Physical Education in the school, and the High Quality PE Charter Mark awarded the week before half term is a good sign of recognition that we are moving in the right direction. Developing our outdoor learning environment is also in the plan, and we will be working in partnership with the Friends of Brundall, as well as a developing link with our local Budgens, to fundraise to support this goal.

The 'Friends of Brundall' ran a very successful Disco for Valentine's Day. It was a good atmosphere and the 'chill-out' space was a useful addition to the excitement of the dance floor. The bag collection is also underway as I write this and I want to acknowledge the good efforts of the association in running this new project as well as organising the disco. These add something extra to the children's experience of being part of our community at school. Developing our teaching and learning in Maths is in the Plan, and with that in mind, I hope parents have had a chance to look at the Website and the material on Calculations and maths games that Ms Hewitt has posted. And if any one would like to figure out the chances of bumping into 8 people from Brundall on one trip to the Science Museum...

*R. Stuart-Sheppard, Headteacher*

Can we please ask that pupils refrain from using the playing field, as we are trying to re-grow the grass now that the weather has improved.



### Term Dates

School Closes for Easter	1 <sup>st</sup> April
Summer Term	20 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> May
May Half Term inc.	31 <sup>st</sup> May - 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Summer Term Ends	23 <sup>rd</sup> July
Return to school	6 <sup>th</sup> September

### Sainsbury's Active Kids

We are currently collecting vouchers. Please ask your friends and family to collect for us. There is a box outside the school office for your vouchers.

### Our Visit to Brundall Care Home.

Some of our pupils were asked to make up a poem about dignity. We went along to Brundall Care Home last week to read some of these to the residents.

*If I were 85 I would like attention so that I feel special.*

*I'd like people to listen to me, I'd feel lonely and sad.*

*I would feel happy if I could enjoy rocking in my rocking chair and having naps.*

*I would like company.*

*I would like to go outside when I want to and watch the birds.*

*By Charlotte Smith*

*Do not tiptoe around me  
I need help but I feel young*

*Grandma's and Grandpa's*

*Need respect and love*

*Impossible to forget*

*Trying to remember their old selves*

*You and me are just the same.*

*By Joe Elliot*

### Brundall Goals Galore

Brundall had a thrilling tournament, jam packed with excitement and many stunning GOALS.

The excitement was buzzing around Brundall School before the mini bus arrived at 9:00 am.

Brundall played their hearts out at Carrow Park with Mrs Sims driving Brundall to glory lane.

The team was exhausted after a long days work and arriving back at the school at 1:15.

The team played well together on the pitch, like a knife through butter. The girls played the first half for six minutes and the boys played the second half the same, as that was the rules.

Brundall won three and drew one very hard game. In the dying seconds of the second half a nasty tackle was made on Owen Hoy, as he was going to score the equalizer. Toby Briggs stepped up for the free kick. And he SCORED the equalizer to get Brundall into first place. But it wouldn't have happened without the whole team. A special thanks to Mrs Sims from all of us.

The next match will be taking place on March 24<sup>th</sup> Carrow Park.

*By Callum Potts and Leon Palmer.*



### Hats for Haiti

Thank you to all who helped to make this day such a success. The total amount raised was  
**£250.82**



### FOBS EVENTS

Quiz 'n' Chips      19<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
Details to follow

### Brundall's Got Talent

This will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> March  
Tickets are on sale now.

### Indoor Market Week

Thank you to all who helped to make this day such a success. The total amount raised was  
**£338.58**