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*'My favourite song was The Sheep Song,' Sam Dinniss 2F*



*"We loved sitting and talking to the senior citizens and hope they come again," Rhys Major 2F.*

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*'We had a fun two weeks preparing for the Junior Apprentice,' Annie Matthews 6B*

## BABUSHKA



The children of KS1 at South Brent Primary School put on a brilliant performance of a story called Babushka, on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

The children performed to the KS2 children and then later on to their families .

Babushka has a very clean house that she is always tidying. Three Kings visit her who tell her to follow the star to Bethlehem. On the way she meets lots of people who she gives all

of her gifts to. When she arrives in Bethlehem she is upset because she has nothing to give the baby Jesus. Everything is fine though because she gave away her gifts with love. The show was full of great songs and dances and ended with the lovely nativity scene.

Everyone who watched the performance enjoyed it especially the part where the sheep removed their horns and then played them.

*By Heather Cory and Jessica Murray.*

## SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH



On Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2010 a party of senior citizens were invited to have lunch at South Brent Primary School in the new school building.

They had gammon and pineapple, followed by fruit crumble and custard for dessert; they enjoyed it very much.

The year two children served up the lunch and then helped to tidy up afterwards. The children really enjoyed the opportunity to help others and to talk to people from their local community.

The senior citizens had a lovely lunch and liked talking to the young children who were all very helpful and polite.

*By Kenya Creed and Sophie Williams*

## YOU'RE HIRED



On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2010 South Brent Primary School had a Junior Apprentice challenge in the Den.

Children from Year 5 and 6 took part in the spectacular event. The Year 6 children carefully planned and

prepared for the event as well as running stalls on the day, while the Year 5 children sold tea and coffee and a variety of cakes. The Year 6 children then had to face the board to explain how well they had performed. There were lots of

visitors who bought a range of items including chutneys, felt bowls, photographs and much more from the stalls. The items for the stalls had all been made by our skilled LSA team and were very popular with the customers.

The Year 6 children used a range of skills while preparing for the day and worked really well together in their teams. They even managed to raise £174.50 for school council!

*By Jamie Beer and Davy Grey Jack Hannaford-Langford*



*"It was great fun playing the drums," Jack Burnitt 5M.*



*"It was just like last year's disco except with the year 7s returning," Sarah Lannin 5M.*



## HEART AND SOUL



On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2010 children from year 5 and 6 had an exciting visit from some talented KEVICC pupils. The children from KEVICC were part of the Big Heart and Soul Choir. The visiting pupils were here to

help teach the children new songs and play instruments in a big band.

The children spent the morning in different groups being taught the songs by the students. The songs they learnt were: 'I'm Yours' and

'The Night Takes My Song'. They played a range of instruments such as guitar, drums, keyboard and percussion.

In the afternoon the children rehearsed; putting the separate parts together. They then performed with the students to the rest of the school. After they had finished the KEVICC students put on a fantastic performance on their own which was enjoyed by all of the children and adults too!

*By Katie Hughes and Catherine Kervella*

## DISCO FEVER

Children from years 5, 6 and 7 came together at South Brent Primary School for a reunion disco organised by Stacey Marshall and Imogen Rooke, two year 6 pupils.

The year 4 and 5 classrooms were decorated with lights and lanterns and were made into a café for children to relax in between the dancing.

In the café there was hot chocolate, crisps, lemonade and sweets. It was a lot of fun and everyone really enjoyed the dancing and the cafe.

This was the first time there had been a disco which included last year's leavers (now in year 7). Lots of the year 7 children turned up for

the reunion disco and it was great chance for old friends to catch up and to find out what everyone had been doing. Well done to Imogen and Stacey for organising the disco which we hope can become a regular event in the years to come.

*William Green and Hannah Llewellyn*

## A GOOD DEED FOR CHILDREN IN NEED



Across the country on the 19<sup>th</sup> November children and adults were taking part in the annual fundraising event called Children in Need. Stacey Marshall, Amy Young ,

Emily Taylor and Orla Fitzsimons arrived early at school to collect money with the help of Pudsey Bear. In total, South Brent Primary School raised £83.84 by

collecting loose change as children arrived at in the morning.

Children in Need is a very important event because it supports lots of children around the country who need our help.

Well done to all of the children and parents who donated the money and also to the children who helped to collect and then count the money.

*By Isabelle Spring and Esmie Widlake*

## ROBIN HOOD WAS GOOD



On Monday 22nd November 2010 the whole of South Brent School were in for a big treat, they got to watch the wonderful and hilarious pantomime of Robin Hood. Everyone enjoyed the singing, dancing and funny characters. The pantomime version of Robin Hood was a bit different from the story we all know. Little John was a bear!

Robin Hood had to challenge the evil Sheriff of Nottingham in an archery competition. The person who won the archery competition got to marry Maid Marion.

In the end Robin Hood won! So he got to marry Marian and they all lived happily ever after.

The children enjoyed singing along with some of the songs and they really loved being able to join in with the play.

*By Jenna Honey and Sarah Lannin*

*"I liked Little John because he was very funny."* Jessica Murry 5M



*'I really like pulling out the roots!'* Sam Cook 3S

## GREAT GARDENING

In South Brent Primary School we have a gardening club where children from Year 2 to Year 6 can help in the garden and enjoy getting dirty!

Mrs. Hall and Mr. Noble run the club at 12:30 till 12:50 and at 12:50 until 1:10 every Wednesday and Friday. The gardening club have

planted daffodil bulbs, leeks, runner beans, potatoes and lots more. They also fertilise the ground, water plants, pick stones out of the soil and mix soil and compost.

The food we grow goes to our school dinners and in October we gave some of our produce to the Shekinah Mission in Plymouth as part of

the Harvest Festival.

During the winter the children clear the beds and collect the peas and beans to plant for next year.

The club is great because it helps us to become good gardeners for the future.

*By Briony Cook, Anna Nolan and Charlotte Spring.*

*'My favourite thing about gardening club is planting seeds,'* Niamh Nolan 3S



*"I really enjoyed the games we played in Anti-bullying week,"* said Sophie Williams 5M

## ANTI BULLYING WEEK

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of November in schools across the country children were taking part in 'Anti-bullying Week'. The idea of the week is to make people aware of what bullying is and the things we can do to help stop it.

Before the actual week we had a special visit from a theatre company who put on a show about bullying and then they did lots of drama activities to do with the play. During the actual week we took part in lots of activities to help us understand what it feels like to be bullied and what we can do if we are being bullied.

Some children from Year 5 also worked with Mrs Kirkby

to make a really helpful leaflet to explain what bullying is and what we can do to try to stop it.

In our school we have lots of things that help us to get along in the playground. For example, we have play leaders who play with children and show them different games for the playground. Peer mediators also help sort out arguments between children when they have fallen out.

The Anti-bullying week was really helpful and we all hope it will help to stop bullying.

*By Freya Ingram and Rebecca Mitchell*

## PANTO STAR

Sam Fogg, a pupil in year 4, is a keen and talented actor who is part of an acting club called Plym Kids. This year he auditioned for and was successful in getting a part in Sleeping Beauty as a panto babe.

This is the seventh play or pantomime Sam has starred in. His previous acting experience includes Oink, The Nativity with a Twist, Joseph and the Technicolor Dream Coat amongst others.

"I love to be on the stage," said Sam. He is planning to continue his career in acting.

Break a leg Sam!

*By Jack Burnitt, Ewan Baker and Matthew Warman*

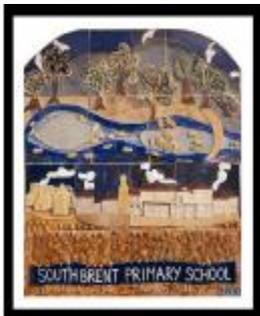


THE REAL MEANING  
OF CHRISTMAS



The children of Key Stage Two put on a superb performance for the carol service at St Petroc's church on Tuesday 14th December. The church was packed with parents, grandparents and other relatives who all really enjoyed the retelling of the nativity story and the beautiful singing. The story started with the children wanting their Christmas presents from Santa but he told them the real meaning of Christmas. The children learnt that the best Christmas present was the birth of Jesus.

By Class 5M



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## TAGTASIC RUGBY



On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November, Year 5 and 6 from South Brent primary school went to KEVICC in Totnes for a tag rugby tournament. There were over 54 other children there from six different schools.

The other schools we were competing against were St. Johns, Landscope, Diptford, Broadhempston and The Grove.

In South Brent's first match they won 2-1. (in tag rugby you don't get 5 points for a



try.) The next match was really close as well but South Brent scored another 2-1 win. After a close fought game we lost 4-2. In the final game we drew 4-4 against Broadhempston, the eventual winners.

After the scores had been totalled up we found out we had come second and qualified for the partnership finals in January.

By Billy Presley and Lewis Widdicombe.

Earlier this term the year 3-4 tag rugby team went to KEVICC to compete against five other primary schools from our local area. The team members were taken from Mr. Burstow's, Mr. Taylor's and Mrs. Steel's classes.

Altogether they played five teams. The children worked really well together and competed hard against all of the other teams, especially Broadhempston who were very good.

Mr. Stephenson was very impressed with the team's passing and teamwork. At the end of the tournament the results were announced. South Brent finished second and qualified for the partnership finals. Good luck in the next tournament!

By Henry Higgins-Wright and Tommy Grundy

## UNBEATABLE BRENT

At KEVICC on the 18<sup>th</sup> October twelve year 5/6 children took part in an indoor athletics competition. South Brent competed against four other schools.

The children took part in a variety of events including speed bounce, standing throw, standing jump, obstacle course and a relay. The team scored an incredible total of 17 points (the team with fewer points are the winners)

and finished this part of the competition in second place.

In the second part of the competition, a week later, the team made a good start in the speed bounce coming in first place. This was followed up with another first place in the standing jump. Next came the standing throw and after an excellent team effort South Brent came in a close second place. After another great team performance South

Brent scored 10 points and finished in first place however unfortunately we failed to qualify for the county finals by the slimmest of margins.

This was the third year that South Brent have won our learning community competition.

By Matthew Warman, Jack Burnitt and Ewan Baker

## FUN FESTIVAL



This term our Year 2 children took part in a mini sports festival at our school. They weren't the only children there though because there were other schools too, including Harbertonford, Diptford and Landscope.

The event was for Year 2 children and took place in our hall and on the ball court. The event is great because it is fun; helps children to keep

healthy and they also meet children from different schools.

The children took part in lots of different activities such as gymnastics, throwing and catching games. The event is run by students from KEVICC who really enjoy teaching the younger children new skills.

By Felix Andrade-May