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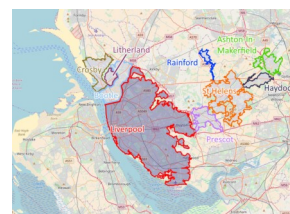
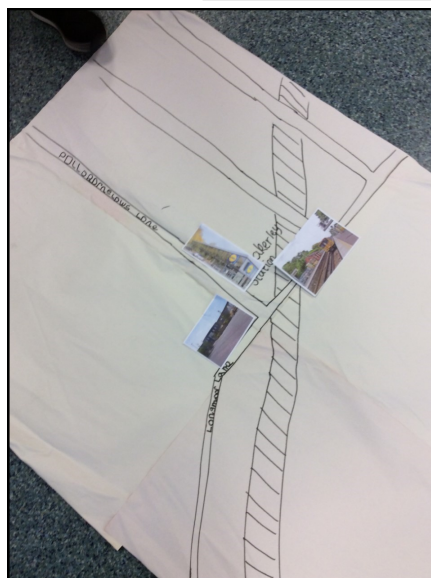
Friday 20th September 2019
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WELCOME TO THE START OF A NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

With the start of a new academic year and the Autumn term, pupils have enjoyed the launch events that have been taking place across the different year groups. We have had samba sounds in Year 6, a letter from the Mayor of Liverpool, Joe Anderson, in Year 1, to augmented reality in Year 5! Take a look below and on the following pages, at the different events that took place in school to ignite an interest in the learning experiences taking place this half-term.



Year 5 **'Space Explorers'** blasted off with some augmented reality!



Year 1 launch their topic on **'Our Local Area'** by helping Liverpool Mayor, Joe Anderson, update his old maps of Fazakerley by using our new learning resource 'Digimaps'!

Autumn 1 Launch Events



Year 6 launch their topic on **Brazil** by taking part in a Samba workshop.



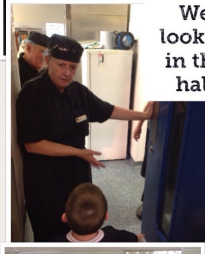
Year 4 launch their topic on **'The Secret Life of Creatures'** by going on a bug hunt, organised by Arthur Spiderwick...



Have you seen the Gruffalo?



We looked in the hall



We looked in the library



We followed clues to find our class mascot.



We looked in the office



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Becoming familiar with our new school.



We found him in our class!

PIC-COLLAGE

The Reception children found clues in different places around the school to help them find their class mascots- Elmer and The Gruffalo.

These characters are both from popular stories written by David McKee and Julia Donaldson. The reception classes are named after these authors.

Our hunt for clues helped the children to visit different areas of the school that they need to become more familiar with, such as the dinner hall, the medical room, the library and the computer room.

Our class mascots will be helping our children to remember the Barlows Green Code and will be coming home with different children over the year for them to read a story to at home.

Reception Launch!!



ELMER

September 2019



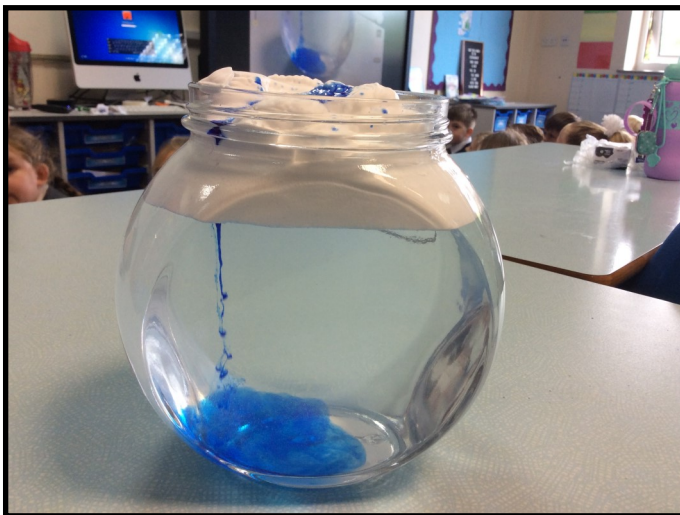
Elmer reception class carried out their launch today by looking for clues throughout school to reveal their class mascot. The children followed the instructions throughout the trail to find the class Elmer teddy. This supported the children to explore the school environment; identifying areas such as the library, computer room, dining room, P.E hall, medical room and playground. The children shared stories with Elmer, ate snack and read the story together.



Autumn 1 Launch Events



To launch their topic of '**Exploring Materials**', Year 2 pupils took part in a scavenger hunt to find different materials in and around the school grounds. The children enjoyed taking pictures using iPads to link with their current computing topic of 'We Are Photographers'. The children discussed what they noticed with a focus on identifying the properties of each material. In subsequent computing lessons, the children are going to review the photographs taken and discuss how they could be improved, focusing on angles and editing.



To launch their topic on '**Weather**', Year 3 performed an experiment to create a cloud in a jar!



Geography Fieldwork

As part of their Mountains unit in Geography this term, Year 5 visited The Learning & Discovery Centre in the Peak District National Park, where the children became mountaineers for the day! The day's itinerary consisted of the children carrying out fieldwork, observations and recording data. During the day, the children observed the changes in climate and vegetation at various points of the mountain. They were introduced to the Beaufort Scale and used this to observe the changes in wind speed as they ascended the mountain. In addition to this, the children were taught how to use a compass correctly, which they then used alongside their map throughout the journey.



Visit of Jeff Dunn from the School Parliament

Jeff Dunn visited our Year 6 pupils and spoke to them about the process of voting and the kind of issues children in the Schools of Parliament are most concerned by and would like to see change. Jeff explained how a ballot form works, which the children will be using in their future PSHE lessons. Jeff also discussed the UNICEF Child Friendly City program which Liverpool is a part of and currently developing across the city.



Roald Dahl Writing Competition



Last week, pupils were given a letter and a very special yellow pencil, a Dixon Ticonderoga Number 2. This is the brand of pencil Roald Dahl used to draft all stories!

Every child was given a pencil to take home and use to write their entry into our Roald Dahl Writing Competition. Entries can be fiction or non-fiction and must be returned to Miss. Williams by **Friday 18th October**. If your child was absent when letters and pencils went out, please see the office.

Recognising Good Behaviour



Green Code

Show good manners at all times

Care about everyone and everything

Follow adult instructions

A further reminder that parents and carers can find our new Behaviour Policy on the school website by visiting <http://barlowsprimary.co.uk/school-information/policies/>. The document is titled **Behaviour Policy 2019-2020**. I am pleased to say, that from walking around the school, lots of children have already collected a number of stickers!

Term Dates for 2020 - 2021



Please note, that you can find the school term dates for the 2019 - 2020 academic year **and** for the 2020 -2021 academic year.

To view the term dates for the next two years, please visit the school website at:

barlowsprimary.co.uk/parents/dates/

Events in 19-20

AUTUMN TERM 2019

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 10 th December 2019 at 9:30am	Reception & KS1 Christmas Performance for Reception Parents and Carers
Tuesday 10 th December 2019 at 2:15pm	Reception & KS1 Christmas Performance for Year 1 Parents and Carers
Wednesday 11 th 2019 at 9:30am	Reception & KS1 Christmas Performance for Year 2 Parents and Carers
Monday 9 th – Thursday 12 th December	Reception to Y6 Parent & Carer Meetings
Tuesday 17 th December at 9:30am	Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Concert for Parents and Carers
Tuesday 17 th December at 2:15pm	Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Concert for Parents and Carers

SPRING TERM 2020

DATE	EVENT
Thursday 9 th January at 2:45pm	Year 5 Project Display for Parents and Carers
Friday 10 th January at 2:45pm	Year 6 Project Display for Parents and Carers
Tuesday 11 th - Thursday 13 th February	Year 6 Parent and Carer Meetings

SUMMER TERM 2020

DATE	EVENT
Monday 27 th April to Thursday 30 th April	Reception to Y5 Parent & Carer Meetings
Wednesday 29 th April at 2:45pm	Year 3 Project Display for Parents and Carers
Thursday 30 th April at 2:45pm	Year 4 Project Display for Parents and Carers
Saturday 27 th June from 11:00am – 3:00pm	Barlows Fun Day
Wednesday 1 st July at 9:30am	Years 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day and Family Picnic
Friday 3 rd July at 9:30am	<i>Reserve date for Years 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day if cancelled on the 1st July due to bad weather</i>
Friday 3 rd July at 5:30pm	Year 6 Leavers Disco
Monday 6 th July – Friday 10 th July	Year 6 Residential to Colomendy
Tuesday 7 th July at 9:30am	Reception Sports Day and Family Picnic
Thursday 9 th July at 9:30am	Years 1, 2 & 3 Sports Day and Family Picnic
Friday 10 th July at 9:30am	<i>Reserve date for Reception Sports Day if cancelled on the 7th July due to bad weather</i>
Monday 13 th July at 9:30am	<i>Reserve date for Years 1, 2 & 3 Sports Day if cancelled on the 9th July due to bad weather</i>
Tuesday 14 th July at 9:30am	Year 6 End of Year Production
Tuesday 14 th July at 5:00pm	Year 6 End of Year Production
Friday 17 th July at 9:30am	Year 6 Leavers Service