

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present
SPACE CHASE
 Summer Reading Challenge 2019



Saturday 13 July – Saturday 14 September in Barnet libraries!

The Reading Agency and libraries are excited to introduce Space Chase, Summer Reading Challenge 2019; an out-of-this-world adventure inspired by the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing.

This summer children will help our super space family track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens! As they read library books, they will solve clues and collect special stickers to complete their mission folder. Can they find the aliens in time to save the day?

Read 6 books – collect stickers and prizes for each one!

There will be lots of fun events in your local library

The school with the highest percentage of children finishing the Summer Reading Challenge will win a special prize for their school!

Sign up from Saturday 13 July!

You can apply online at www.barnet.gov.uk/spacechase

Year 5 and 6 Residential Week June 2019

Earlier this month 83 year 5 and 6 pupils spent five days – Monday to Friday – at Gordon Brown Outdoor Education Centre in Hampshire, near Hook.

They all had an amazing time engaged in an exciting range of activities and challenges, all in a beautiful setting.

On **Monday** the children met the animals who live at the centre and hugged *Lucky Larry*, the Cedar of Lebanon, which is the centre mascot. They pond dipped in the afternoon and then made lanterns for the evening



campfire, where everyone drank hot chocolate and ate digestive biscuits as a nightcap. On **Tuesday** they split into smaller groups and spent the day climbing the high ropes; scaling

the low ropes; solving problems in teams; having a go at archery; using their senses to identify and explore

the world around them; building shelters as protection from the elements; learning how to make a fire and cook on it; and recreated Roman strategies of self-preservation.

On **Wednesday**, the groups of children rotated so they could have a go at other activities. They had lots of fun racing each other on the trim trail; an activity which required teamwork and co-operation. They had to scale a 2 metre wall, balance on a giant sized seesaw and help each other across a rope swing..

On **Thursday**, there was lots of activity on the climbing wall and lots of children jumping from a platform



10metres in the air. Other groups built shelters and built fires.

On **Friday** was packing up day and travelling back to school. Everyone agreed that they had had the most fantastic time!
 Mr Paul Kaffel (Yr 6 Teacher)

Year 5 Secondary Transfer In October our current year 5 pupils will start to apply for a place in their chosen secondary school. In order to help with this process, we had two very well-attended after-school meetings for year 5 parents and children. There were presentations from school leaders of Saracens High, Bentley Wood, Cophall, Hendon and Whitefield schools. Parents and children were given the opportunity to ask questions and to find out more about the selection of secondary schools on offer to them. They learned about the subjects they would be able to choose from and all the extra-curricular activities they would be able to take part in. *Ms Wendy Wayland (DHT)*

*'This summer term Colindale have enjoyed lots of success with **our sports teams**. The **Kwik cricket team** won a Barnet tournament and therefore qualified to represent Barnet in the London Youth games. This event took place on Tuesday 25th June where the team performed brilliantly. They won their first two games to reach the quarter finals where they played against Byron. Unfortunately they did not progress any further but have made Colindale, Coach Michael and Mr Dabasia very proud.*



*On Thursday 20th June children from Years 3-6 went to Allianz park to compete in the **Barnet Athletics event**. The children competed in both field and track events. Colindale performed amazingly on the track and finished in second place overall, with several children winning individual races and relays. A great effort by everyone, well done!'*



Challenge Day Success at QE Boys' School



Last week a group of year 5 pupils were selected to represent our school at the annual QE Boys Challenge Day. The team comprised of Mahi (5T), Diya (5DM), Holly (M) and Paarth (5M). There were 30 teams at the event and we are proud to report that Colindale took second place, having missed the top spot by a small number of points. There were several rounds, including a writing challenge, which involved the children creating a poem; maths challenges, comprising of a crossword and some logic problems (we're delighted to report that Colindale scored the highest in this round, with 61 correct answers out of 62); and, to finish the event, a spelling bee. Ms. Edmondson, who accompanied the team, celebrated with a well-deserved cake. Well done team Colindale! **We are very proud of you.** *Ms. Wendy Wayland (DHT)*

Dates for your diary

1st to 5th July—Sports week:

Monday 1st morning —Years 1 and 2

Tuesday 2nd morning —Years 5 and 6

Wednesday 3rd—Years 3 and 4—morning

**Reception & Nursery—
afternoon**

Thursday 4th morning — Reception & Nursery

12th July—Year 3 trip to the British Museum

16th and 18th July— Year 6 performances

17th July—Parent consultation evening

19th July—Year 2 to Clacton

22nd July— Year 6 to Southend

23rd July—Year 6 Graduation and last day of the school year.

PSA Summer Fair 2019 Our Summer Fair was held on Friday 21st June and was a huge success. We were very lucky to have a lovely summer's evening, where hundreds of families joined us for an evening of delicious food and fun together with a fantastic 'Talent Showcase'. The 'Talent Showcase' performers were brilliant and kept us all entertained with songs, dances, rapping, live music and even a magic act! We were also treated to a feast of international food, pizzas, popcorn, sweets and cakes. There were lots of new games,



which proved to be very popular; Hoopla, an obstacle course, Superheroes and Villains target game, 'What a Catch' fishing game and 'Guess the Name of the Llama'. More fun was had at our ever-popular 'Penalty shoot-out' game, Tombola, face painting, henna and on the bouncy castles. The raffle was also very successful, with some excellent prizes to be won, which were kindly donated by local businesses and school staff. It was great to see our school community come together, enjoying themselves at such a fun-filled event. With this in mind, the PSA would like to



take this opportunity to say a big **'THANK YOU'** to all the members of staff, parents and pupils who gave up their time to either run a stall, donate wonderful food and help produce a fantastic showcase. We would also like to thank the site team for their support. You will be pleased to know that with your generosity we managed to raise, approximately, a massive **£4,000**, which will be used for playground equipment and other projects. *Colindale PSA Committee*

Rights Respecting – Playground Challenge day at Colindale. Friday 7th June

was yet another exciting day for children at Colindale Primary School! No school uniform anywhere in sight as everyone, including staff, arrived at school wearing sports clothing. This was in aid of our first ever Playground Challenge day, a fundraiser for UNICEF. Obstacle courses, designed by children, were set up in the hall and all classes had the chance to show off their sporting talents as they went around the course.



Prior to this day, we talked about how UNICEF uses its funds to help others in need and this message spurred children to think about how we are lucky to have certain rights which other children do not have. We asked for donations on the day and it was heartening to see the amounts contributed, families were very



generous. **The total raised was £482!**

UNICEF put these funds to many uses – buying vaccines, storm shelters and even creating play areas for as little as £375 – all worthwhile projects. Thank you for your continued support. *Ms. Jenni McDonough (RRSA Lead)*