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# **Beckham signs for Holy Trinity**

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David Beckham signed an England football shirt that was auctioned at our Summer Fair at Holy Trinity School. Nine other England players had signed the shirt too. When it was auctioned, it raised an amazing £1,700 for the school, thanks to a mystery bidder on the phone.



Alexander Ormerod with the signed England shirt that raised £1,700. Picture by John Lawrence.

The tombola was good fun too. We won some Bourbon chocolate biscuits, bubble bath, face cream and some toothpaste. If you wanted to win something, then you had to get a ticket with a 5 or 0 on the end.

The next one we went to was the toy stall. We got an England rubber, candy, bonus ball, windpipe and a creepy crawly set.

The face painting stall was giving children all kinds of faces from sea creatures with dolphin shapes to Count Dracula.

We were very hungry so we went to the food and drink stall. The people serving drinks were always busy because it was very very hot.

There were lots of other things to see, including a bouncy castle, a cake stall, some nail painting and even someone giving parents a massage in a chair.

Everybody there enjoyed the summer fair and it raised thousands of pounds to go towards school funds. Thank you to everyone who came and hope to see you next year.

## **Martin School Fun Day**

By Rosamund Casimir-Brown and Amber Albani, Martin Junior pupils The Martin School's Summer Fun Day was great fun, and really hot, but for us, rather wet, thanks to four boys who sprayed us with water guns all day! There were loads of people

there, but it wasn't overcrowded.

There were tons of things to do, including the tombola, raffle, hook-a-duck, a fancy dress competition, and a giant inflatable slide! There was also delicious food and lovely drinks, as well as a relaxing, shady spot to eat and drink.

Everyone also enjoyed the live music being played by Alan Gruner (the Schools' Music Co-ordinator) and his band, with some spectacular vocal numbers from Martin pupil Laura O'Driscoll and Luzolo, a former pupil.

The Summer Fun Day was especially good for some people, as they won a prize in the raffle. Eti Wade won £200 of Budgens vouchers, Sooay Powell won £150 of hair products from 202 Hair Stylists, and Rosamund (me!) won a £100 voucher to spend at Top Shop! Overall, it was a fantastic day, and we know it will be just as good next year.



Eti Wade, pictured with eldest son Mikha'el, after she won

£200 of Budgens vouchers, the first prize in the Martin Schools' Summer Fun Day raffle. Picture by Helen Drake



The winning Starfish team with their trophy. Photo by Helen Drake

# **Raise the cup and cheer**

#### By Kate Fuscoe

World Cup fever peaked on Saturday 17 June and the sun shone once again for the annual East Finchley Festival football tournament, hosted by Martin Schools at their Summer Fun Day.

Play started on the Martin Schools' field at 10.30am, with 18 teams from Holy Trinity and Martin battling it out for a place in the final. After a series of matches carefully monitored by referees James Johnson, David Noden, Steve Parsons, Mike Harris and Dave Tossell, the Infant Cup was won by Martin's Year 2 class, Starfish. The Junior shield finally went to Martin's 6J, after a nail-biting final against their opponents 5M.

Overall, the children played very well, with good sportsmanship, said the referees. Councillor Alison Moore presented the trophies, and congratulated the children on their excellent play (and could someone please explain the offside rule?).

## Save our brownies!

With their present leader moving on, East Finchley Brownie Pack will have to close if a replacement cannot be found. This popular group meets weekly in term time at St Mary's Church Hall, 279 High Road and carries out the usual Brownie activities, including being successful fund raisers. Recently they held a Keep Fit Challenge and made over £279 for a Great Ormond Street Hospital appeal for children with leukaemia.

Now they are appealing for someone with guider experience to step forward and help them. The Girlguiding Association will provide on-going training. Rainbows, the pre-Brownie group for five to seven year olds, is still going strong and acts as a feeder group to the Brownies. As well as learning so much from the activities on offer, the girls also benefit socially through interacting with children from other schools and making new friends.

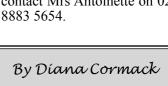
Clubs like these benefit the community as a whole. Our young people need more organised activities, not fewer, and it would be sad to see one that has been established in the area for many years being forced to close. If you can help or need more information, please contact Mrs Antoinette on 020 8883 5654.

## PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

#### Holy Trinity The school's commitment to

approved and the money received will be spent on new playground apparatus.

able day at Barnet Cricket Tournament where they were just beaten in the knock-out



All Saints' Church, **Durham Road**, East Finchley **Church of England** 

Sunday masses at 8.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m. Weekday masses at 10.00 a.m. Prayer requests are gladly accepted.

> The Parish has a flourishing social life. Contact the Vicar, Fr Christopher Hardy, on 020 8883 9315.

All Saints' also has a strong musical tradition and an enthusiastic choir of both adults and children. Experienced singers are always welcome. Contact Geoffrey Hanson on 020 8444 9214.

http://www.allsaints-eastfinchley.org.uk

# East Finchley Baptist Church Just off the High Road in Creighton Avenue N2

#### Sundays at 11.00 am and 6.30 pm

For more information please contact the Church Office Tel: 8883 1544 (Minister: Simon Dyke)

Visitors always welcome

promoting the benefits of physical activity has been recognised by Holy Trinity receiving the Active Mark Gold Extension Award. Despite being a small school, Holy Trinity entered two teams in the Barnet Schools Tag Rugby Sevens Tournament at Finchley Rugby Club. The "A" team were runners up to a school with three times as many pupils to choose from, whom they had beaten but who had scored one more try overall in the group matches. The Holy Trinity teams played each other twice in the tournament and it was one win each.

Walk to School Week was well supported in spite of the inclement weather, with many families making the effort and thinking about the environment.

The School Travel Plan was

### Martin Schools

An advisory teacher from Mill Hill County visited the junior school after hearing about the high quality design technology work going on there. She was immensely impressed by both the work and the vibrant atmosphere and said that secondary schools could learn from the imaginative way Martin Junior approached the subject.

As part of the drive to increase enthusiasm for science, a parent volunteer organised a special treasure hunt for Year 5 on the theme of space. Working in groups, the children had great fun searching the building and field for clues.

The cricket team had an enjoy-

but won all four of their friendly matches.

Three boys, Devini and Navin Patel and Kieran Nunkoo, have been chosen to represent Britain in an international karate competition in Cyprus.

The school choir took part in the annual Barnet Music Festival at the artsdepot.

Both schools were involved in Multicultural Week at the end of June, with an International Evening being one of the planned highlights.

The infants celebrated World Cup Day on 20 June by wearing their team's kit to school, for which they paid £1. All countries and types were welcome and the money raised was donated to the School Amenities fund.