

YOUNG ARCHER



All dressed up for World Book Day. Photo by Polly Beverley

Hubble bubble for book day

By Phoebe Beverley, aged six, Martin Primary School On Thursday 6 March it was World Book Day. At my school the children and staff dressed up as favourite book characters. I chose to dress up as Mildred Hubble and one of my friends did too.

Mildred Hubble is the main character from The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy. I love her books

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because they are adventurous, exciting and funny. There are lots of good characters in the books. Ethel is a goody-goody who tries to get Mildred into trouble.

For my costume I used one of my mum's friend's dresses that went down to my ankles. I made a school badge with a black cat sitting on a yellow moon, using some clay that my Nana gave me for Christmas. I leved dressing up

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My sister, Rosie, dressed up
as The Tiger who came to Tea.

Get into step for Irish dancing

By Lisa Omar

Fiona Mackey has enjoyed Irish dancing since she was three years old, competing at world championship level for many years.

Now she has opened The Fiona Mackey School of Irish Dancing at St Mary's Church Hall in the High Road, with classes for adults and for children aged four upwards.

The classes are small and friendly; children can quickly build fitness, skill and confidence and dancers have the chance to compete in competitions which are held regularly. All classes are taught by Fiona and her school is registered with An Coimisiun le Rinci Gaelacha.

Call Fiona for further details on 07985415421 or email irishdancenorthlondon@outlook.com to book a free trial class.



The Irish dancing group with Fiona Mackey back left.

Stef steals victory from way back

You may remember that we featured young karting champion Stefanos Charalambous in our October 2013 edition. The 16-year-old had just won British Karting's London Cup.

Since then, Stef, of Ringwood Avenue, N2, has tasted all the ups and downs of racing. In a series of meetings he was robbed of victory more than once but managed to make four podium finishes in his last four races.

His consistent performance qualified him for the Winter Championship but he had to start way down in 33rd place on the grid. Even though it looked as if he needed a minor miracle to take the trophy, that's what Stef did over 13 laps, finishing in 12th place. That meant he had enough points from the season to become PF International Winter Champion 2013-14. Well done again, Stef!

Stef celebrates with his champion's trophy.



Young performers raise the roof

By Justine Csaky

East Finchley youth theatre group Full Circle directed by local resident Anne-Marie Conway gave a spectacular performance of *Raise The Roof* on 1 and

2 March at the Bull Theatre in Barnet.

The group, who rehearse each week at the Finchley Youth Theatre on the High Street, decided to put on the production at the Bull Theatre due to high demand for tickets.

The show was amazing, with strong performances from the cast, all aged between 8

and 16. The audience were treated to scenes, sketches and songs from various musicals including: *Annie*, *Chicago*, *Peter Pan* and *James and the Giant Peach*, as well as original material.

For further information about Full Circle, contact Anne-Marie Conway on 07958 409863.

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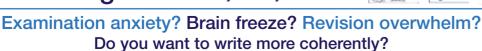
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