

THE HARDY MILL

NEWS FLASH

Summer 2019

The Birthday Edition

HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY HARDY MILL!



This year, Hardy Mill has celebrated its 50th birthday, so pupils have taken part in a birthday themed week to honour the occasion. Hardy Mill School was officially opened on 5th May 1969. On Monday 17th July 2019, pupils began learning about what life was like through the decades, beginning with the 1970s. In assembly, children learned about life for Mrs Briggs (our head teacher) whilst she was growing up during the 1970s.

Children also discovered that Hardy Mill pupils didn't have to wear a uniform when the school first opened.

Moving on to the 1980s, children discovered that half of the population in the UK had a telephone in their house, which was a big change. Many people in the 1980s watched The Muppets series, which is still popular today. The channel tunnel was being built in the 1980, but it wasn't finished until the next decade. Pupils also found out that our deputy head (Miss Perry) was a pupil at Hardy Mill during this decade, where she used to enter school

through the Belmont View entrance, not the front gates as pupils do now.

During the 1990s, children listened to extracts from the Head Teacher's Log – a book completed by head teachers about special events in school. Also, the head would write about children's work and school staff.

Children found out about the huge changes that have gone on at Hardy Mill as part of our school's history. Pupils enjoyed hearing from staff about their lives through the decades and thinking about how things have stayed the same and changed.

Thanks to everyone who took part in a super week!

By Max and Alfie G

CHOIR VICTORIOUS AT VICTORIA HALL

On Wednesday 12th June, Hardy Mill Primary pupils represented their school at the Victoria Halls in Bolton. Each school that entered was challenged to sing two songs. The songs that Hardy Mill sang were "Make your own kind of music" and "Don't worry be

happy".

Some of the songs that all the schools sang together were: Victorians, Butterfly, Slavovska and Any Dream Will Do.

Hardy Mill
journalists interviewed

Mrs Davey about how she felt the performance went, she noted, "I felt proud of the choir and it was a great achievement for everyone." She added that, "pupils

learnt lots and it was great being part of a big event." Congratulations on such a great performance and achievement!

By Dan
Wright



Before half term, pupils were given the opportunity to enter a badge making competition. To celebrate armed forces day, children were challenged to make a badge to celebrate the work of the police, army, air forces and other armed forces.

HARDY MILL PUPIL JESSICA WINS BOROUGH BADGE COMPETITION

Children were given competition entries to take home and complete. Lots of Hardy Mill pupils took part, as did other schools. This optional homework had a prize of a certificate, a colouring set and the winning badge design would be worn by the armed forces.

On Thursday 20th June, one Hardy Mill pupil was announced as the winner – our very own Jessica Griffiths! Her heart-shaped, colourful design won first prize. As a surprise, Jessica's parents attended school with the Superintendent Rick Jackson to award Jessica with her prize.

Jessica commented, "I felt surprised that out of all of the children who entered the competition it was me (who won)."

The Hardy Mill News Flash have been amazed by Jessica's creative skills and victory. Well done Jessica!

By Alex

A Bolton News article reporting Jessica's success is available on the Bolton News website.

<https://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/17726930.eight-year-olds-sticker-design-to-be-worn-on-armed-forces-day/>

LET US ENTERTAIN YOU 2019 – A CONCERT TO REMEMBER!

On Wednesday 12th June, Let Us Entertain You (our own one-of-a-kind musical concert) was held. Let Us Entertain You is a concert which is held at Hardy Mill each year and is made up with a number of musical performances. This year didn't disappoint, there were many different types of instruments played, such as: drums, flute, cornet, trombone, guitar, violins, and many more.

Also, the fabulous key stage two choir performed as well. They sang: Our Gift For You, With A Little Help From My Friends and Make Your Own Kind Of Music.

A huge well done to all the pupils who performed, their hard work throughout the year could be seen by all. Without the dedication of staff, such as Miss Billington, Mrs Davey and Mrs Hewitt, this magical evening would not be possible. Thanks to everyone involved!

THE TAYLOR'S SIDE JOKES

What's Doctor Who's favourite food?

Dalek bread.

What's brown, hairy and wears sunglasses?

A coconut on holiday.

Why did the boy eat his homework?

Because his teacher said it was a piece of cake



LOWER KEY STAGE TWO VISIT SEVEN ACRES

On Friday 14th June, Leverhulme, Heathcote and Devey classes took a trip to Seven acres, a woodland area where animals are cared for. As part of their rivers and mountains topic, children went there to learn about environments near Bradshaw Brook.

To prepare for the visit children took a recyclable packed lunch, and made sure they had a waterproof coat, leggings and wellies (which came in handy!) On the coach, children travelled to Thicketford Road, which is near Crompton Way.

First, pupils met their guide, Adam, who explained the rules and activities for the day. During pond and river dipping, pupils discovered tadpoles, fish, beetle larvae, swimming mayfly nymphs and many more creatures, including a rare species.

They also tried some grass dipping, where they found animals living in the grass habitats. During this activity they found a spider holding eggs, ladybirds and other



Pupils discovered lots of information about habitats and the creatures in our local area. Thanks to the staff at Seven Acres, teachers and parent helpers for making the trip possible.

By Olivia

SPECTACULAR SPORTS DAY 2019

On the Friday 21st June, sports day at Hardy Mill began. As usual, all the children in school enjoyed the fun competitive sports. On sports day, everyone gathered together on the field. This year, the weather was kind to all, with bright sunshine lighting up the day.

Children participated in races and at the end of the afternoon, parents were invited to take part in additional mum and dad races.

Each year, there is one victorious house, who earned the most points overall by coming 1st or 2nd in a race. Congratulations to Belmont, who won this year. Amy (age 8) said "My favourite race on sports day is the running race because I get to compete against my friends and see who is the fastest."



Journalists at The Hardy Mill News Flash would like to thank all the staff who arranged the event, the children who demonstrated their PE skills and the parents who got involved too. A brilliant day was had by all!

By Holly

NEW HOUSE NAMES REVEALED AFTER COMPETITION



At Hardy Mill, pupils decided new house names were needed, as the old ones didn't fit our school anymore. The previous house names, which were Brunel, Elgar, Shakespeare and Lowry were in need of an update.

School council held a competition to give pupils the chance to come up with some new house names. A plethora of entries were submitted and school council representatives, alongside Miss Burns and Mrs Briggs, sorted through the new house ideas.

This was no easy task – the children had to separate the entries into ones which were unnecessary and those which stood out.

Two ideas in particular were selected, they were sent to staff to vote for. The winning idea was for the new houses to be named after our neighbouring streets: Bramhall (blue), Longsight (red), Belmont (green) and Patterdale (yellow). Eva Pendlebury, Bobby Gosling and Jimmy Elliott were the children who all devised this idea, winning the competition. Well done everyone!

By Holly H

TIME CAPSULE BURIED FOR FUTURE PUPILS TO FIND

On the morning of the 21st June, school counsellors, Mr Burton and Mrs Briggs buried a time capsule under a tree in the school playground. As the end of 50 years at Hardy Mill drew to a close, Mrs Briggs decided that the occasion should be honoured by capturing the very best of 2019 Hardy Mill in a capsule.



Year 6 felt that children of the future should see what a 2019 SATs paper looked like, to inform them about assessments of the past. Miss Marlor made sure that a copy of The Hardy Mill News Flash

made its way into the capsule, so the recent events at school could be read by future pupils. Other classes wrote about our uniform, so those in the future would be able to understand the appearance of a 2019 Hardy Mill pupil. Pupils hope that this capsule will create an interesting, unique history lesson in the future.

By Matthew Taylor

ROCK BOTTOM GAINS TOP REVIEWS

On Monday the 8th of July, The year sixes performed a dress rehearsal of their leavers production, Rock Bottom, for pupils to enjoy. The villain of the story, Lady Lava, was trying to stay young forever whilst Bobby Cobblestone was an inventive young person who longed to work for Lady Lava, when he invented a clothes hanger his dream came true.

All pupils enjoyed it, Summer Kraan from Heathcote stated it was "really good, and full of excitement." Journalists at the Hardy Mill News Flash would like to thank Lady Lava, marvellously played by Poppy Ince, Bobby Bobblestone, played by Archie Howarth and all of the Year 6 students for putting in time and effort to perform this amazing show. Also, Mr. Harvey deserves a big thankyou for putting in time, effort and determination to make sure the play was performed and was at it's best. Not forgetting the Year 6 teachers, who have helped rehearse this to perfection.

By Holly Hewitt

SUMMER FAIR SUCCESS – THE PTA AMAZE ONCE AGAIN!

The PTA have outdone themselves in 2019, with their staggering summer fair. Bouncy castles, beat the goalie and chocolate tombola that would make anyone's mouth water. It had everything that could possibly be asked for. Mrs Howarth (the PTA treasurer) has announced the the PTA have raised an estimated £3258.95!



A huge thankyou to the pupils of year six, who used their persuasive writing skills to convince local businesses to donate to our PTA, to the teachers who gave up time to help out and to the pupils who attended.

A huge thank-you to the PTA, particularly Mrs Hayes and Mrs Howarth, without who the summer fair would be less magical, less organised and less spectacular! Pupils and staff are truly grateful for your hard work and dedication.

By Miss Marlor

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ENTERPRISE WORD SEARCH

Dan has created a wordsearch, base don our recent birthday and enterprise week. Can you find the hidden words within? Words may be horizontally, vertically or diagonally.

- Birthday
- Decade
- Fifty
- Capsule
- Enterprise
- Band
- Creating
- Designing
- Profit
- Manufacture

'NO FILTER' ROCK HARDY MILL IN BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

On Friday the 21st of June, a band called No Filter, came to Hardy Mill to help us celebrate the school's fiftieth birthday.

At 9am, pupils gathered in the hall to see the No Filter performed songs from across the decades, from the 1970s when the school opened, to today. They started their performance with a hit from the Beatles: "Get Back!", which was number one in the charts when Hardy Mill opened.

A variety of tunes followed, which spanned the five decades that Hardy Mill has existed for. . Among the highlights for many KS2 pupils were We Will Rock You by Queen and Shotgun by George Ezra, where pupils and staff sang along. Pupils and staff would like to thank No Filter for a show-stopping performance and Mrs Briggs for organising such a wonderful experience!
By Summer



YEAR SIX SMASH SATS ASSESSMENTS!

On the week of the 13th May, year 6 completed the tests that they had been working towards for the whole year – their SATs. They had to apply all the skills that they had learnt throughout primary school to complete these challenging assessments.

Nervous yet excited, Year 6 entered their classrooms, filled with anticipation about their forthcoming assessments. Macey explained, "I was anxious on the first day of SATs because I didn't know what to expect." Year 6 spent the first half of the day all together in one room, preparing for what was to come.

Throughout the week they completed: SPAG, on Monday; Reading, which was finished on Tuesday; Arithmetic, on the Wednesday and two reasoning papers for Maths.

Looking back, Year six pupils have expressed that they feel proud of all their hard work, preparing them for high school.

By Poppy Ince

1 = 6,000 + 90

2 = 8,275 + 82

3 826 = 800 + + 6

Reading Booklet
2019 Key Stage 2 English reading booklet

1 Tick the sentences that read well with a question mark.

Tick one.

The teacher asked them what they were doing.

I wonder what time the next train arrives.

Did she play tennis on your team last year?

He asked if he could use my pen.

2 Draw a line to match each word to the correct suffix. Use each suffix only once.

Word	Suffix
accomplish	ful
begin	ment
live	ing
fail	ness