



**Dolphin Class  
Governors' Report  
2016-17**

# **Beamish Wild**

## **Climbing Trees**

*“The first trip we went on in Year 4 was Beamish Wild. The first thing we did when we got there was to climb a tree. It was so hard because we had to step on tiny stumps and even tinier ones. I thought I was going to fall because when you were jumping off, it felt like you were going to fall but the rope supported us so we just dangled! My friends Emily and Dhulfiqar climbed to the top! It was pretty impressive.”*

**Mina Al-Saadi**





## **Trim Trail**

*“We played lots of fun group games which was fun. The first game we had to climb on a trim trail. We needed the support of our friends to be successful as we had to put our trust in them. My favourite bit was the swing because it was like riding a plane. We all enjoyed it so much we are going again!”*

**Mina Al-Saadi**





# Arbeia Roman Fort



*“In Autumn term, the topic we were studying was all about the Romans. We went on a trip to Arbeia, which is a Roman Fort, where the Roman soldiers used to protect and guard the town by watching out for people coming towards the gates.”*



*“They had four gates and if they see people coming towards the fort, who might try to invade, they would shoot bow and arrows at them.”*

*"When we went to Arbeia, we went to look at where the Romans stocked all the food. Then we went to where the soldiers would live, including the toilets!"*

**Emily Tearse**





## Band in a Box: Violins

*“In Year 4 we have learned how to play the violins. We learned how to pluck the strings with our hands. Then finally, we got to use the bow but we had to be careful with the bow because it was really fragile and it might have broken. I learned the strings had a name and there was phrase to help us remember the names of the strings. The phrase is; ‘Greedy Dogs Always Eat’. Here is the way to remember: the 1<sup>st</sup> string is ‘G’ and the letter ‘G’ stands for ‘Greedy’ and the 2<sup>nd</sup> string is ‘D’ and that stands for ‘Dogs’. The 3<sup>rd</sup> string is ‘A’ and that stands for ‘Always’ and the last string is ‘E’ and that stands for ‘Eat’ so when the teacher says play letter ‘G’ or ‘D’, ‘A’, or ‘E’, you would have to count down and pluck with your fingers. We got to work with two ladies and there were tunes on the screen (board) and we had to play along with the tune. We managed to learn loads of songs through the weeks; sometimes it was hard to remember them all! I enjoyed playing the violins because it would help me when I’m older if I wanted to be a musician.”*

**Summer-Lea Jackson.**



## Band in a Box: Bamboo Tamboos

*“In Bamboo Tamboos with Franco and Steve, we were playing really long plastic tubes called Bamboo Tamboos. I really enjoyed it because I liked the sound they made and playing as part of a group. We performed our song in front of our parents to enjoy. I felt good when performing because I liked being in front of an audience.”*



**Martin Balaz**

## Tin Whistle

*“As well as violins and Bamboo Tamboos, we have learned how to play a tin whistle. We love music and we love playing instruments especially when we get to perform what we have been practising in front of an audience! We love*



*playing a song called ‘Good, Better, Best!’ as we get to sing along and play the tin whistle too, it sounds really cool!”*

**Dylan Robinson**

## Music with Mrs Sinclair

*“Music with Mrs Sinclair was so fun! We learned a song called ‘Just like a Roman’ in the Music Room. My best friend Daniella and I got to the front to demonstrate some dance moves to go with our singing. We started getting shy but it was fun though! It really helped us with our confidence in performing in front of an audience in preparation for the concerts we were going to be doing as part of the choir!”*

*Once we had practised the song enough times to know it off by heart, we had all the equipment to sing like real pop stars and sang through the microphone, it was so fun! I was really excited to see what it sounded like through the*

*speakers.”*

**Abigail Reid**





# Forest School

*“During forest school we have investigated our surroundings and taken part in projects to help our learning of natural materials. We have created lots of objects made out of natural materials. In autumn term, we built our own Roman wall! Except ours was called ‘Bridgewater Wall’ instead of ‘Hadrian’s Wall’! Then we made castles, everyone came to*



*see each other’s castle and we got some ideas about different ways of creating the same object. Next, we made homes for the animals. We were put in teams and we made toilets out of stones, wood bricks and grass.*

*I love forest school because you get to build loads of stuff and it is very arty. I also love working with my class mates on projects.”*

**Maizie Ellison**









# Our Cinema trip to see The Secret Life of Pets

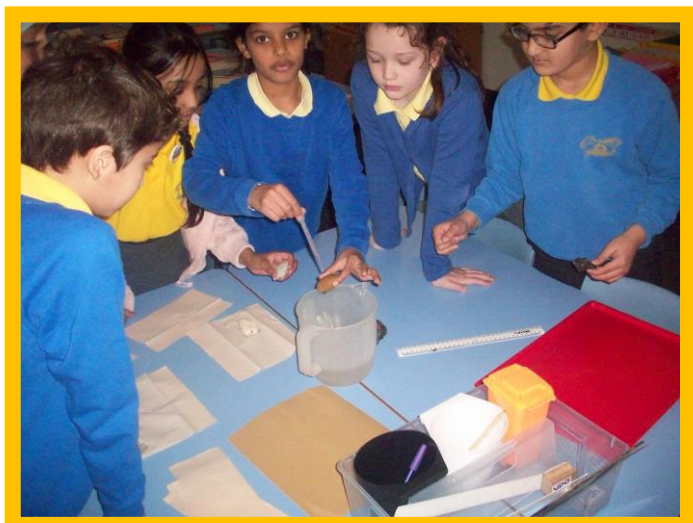
*“My class and my teachers went to the cinema to see The Secret Life of Pets in 3D. When we got there, we picked a row to sit on and our teacher handed us some popcorn and some blackcurrant juice. We had some glasses to wear, they looked like sunglasses! Next the movie started, the movie was so good! It was about two dogs getting lost because of an evil bunny rabbit and a cat and their friends saving them. I loved going to the cinema because the 3D glasses made the characters seem so real!”*

**Daniella John**



## Science

We have studied lots of exciting things in Science this year. We have looked at forces, rocks, plants and animals and humans. This is a picture of us investigating rocks we found around school.







Our class assembly was all about nutrition and healthy lifestyles.



## **MOD Pizza**



# Benwell Library Visit





# P.E. with Chloe



# Dance with Dolly

*“On Wednesdays we had dance with Dolly. We made up a dance to go with the Roman song we had been learning in music! We loved it, it was so much fun.”*

**Kacey Scott**





# Maths with Captain Morgan



# Reading to Misty



*"I love reading to Misty, she helps me keep calm and not think about what is going on around me. I like it when I can stroke her whilst reading too."*

**Foad Subahi**



# Enterprise Week

*“During Enterprise week we did some fun activities. The first day of Enterprise week we went in the hall to design shoes and accessories and the winner got to go to dragons den (not the real one though!). When we finished designing shoes, it was time for the catwalk! This was really funny because we were allowed to demonstrate it in any way we wanted, like pulling funny faces!”*



*On the second day of Enterprise week, a flute player came in to tell us about her job. When we saw her flute it was MASSIVE! First she told us the basics like how to hold the flute and where to put your hands, and then she played a little tune. It was amazing how she played it so well, she inspired me to play the flute.*



*On the third day of Enterprise we had a nurse from Marie curie come in to tell us about her job. Then she showed us a video of Florence Nightingale. Then when the video finished, she let us open a bag with some items in like an apron, gloves and a Marie Curie pin.”*





*“Finally, it came to Enterprise day; we did our finishing touches and set up our stalls and started to sell! We made a lot of profit! I really enjoyed Enterprise week and I can’t wait for next year!”*

**Dhulfiqar Sari-Atab**

