

1st Enfield Guides – 2015 Annual Report

Spring Term

At the start of the Spring term, the Guides completed Go4Its of their choice in their Patrols. These included Go4it Breaking Barriers and Go4It Lifewise.

The Guides also took part in a number of international evenings run by the girls completing their BP challenge award – these included one patrol having a Chinese evening, another an African themed night and another patrol a carnival night.

During the Spring Term the Guides also took part in a hip hop dance evening paid for using our Active Kids vouchers and held a spy skills night.

With the weather slowly improving, the Guides got into the spring spirit making bird feeders and bird houses for the garden. The term ended with the Guides completing their Chocolate badge which included a joint evening with the 13th Brownies and many chocolate cover Guides!

Summer Term

The Guides were very active this summer. At the beginning of the term, the Guides had a sailing and water activities day at ESSA Sailing Centre. The girls all had a fantastic day splashing about on the water – whether rafting, wobble boarding or sailing.

In addition to active pursuits for weekend trips, the Guides have also been busy getting active and out and about during our Friday night meetings. In the summer term the Guides took part in a sponsored yoga night raising funds for the Alzheimer's Society, went on a chip shop hike around Enfield and a trip to Tolmers campsite to tackle the inflatable assault course and coconut tree climb. The girls all had lots of fun challenging themselves to do the assault course and get up the coconut tree as fast as possible.

To continue the active theme, the Guides participated in Race for Life – in support of the parent of 2 of our Guides and one of our young leaders' in her fight against breast cancer. The Guides all did really well, completing the course in style – the Guides had made customised t-shirts to wear!

When not either up high or getting wet, the Guides have been busy completing their communicator badge, including an evening learning Makaton led by one of the Guides' parents. The girls also participated in a disability awareness evening, ran by some of the girls completing their BP Award.

The final meeting of the term was a Wizard of Oz themed party ran by a number of the girls completing their BP Award. The party was an opportunity for older Brownies, friends and sisters to come and find out more about Guides as well as have lots of fun!

The term ended with a trip to London Zoo – highlights included the penguins and one of the Guides making her promise by the giraffes!

Autumn Term

The 1st Enfield Guides have been on lots of exciting trips this Autumn including a trip to Rope Runners aerial assault course, attending a bush craft workshop, an archery and climbing evening at Tolmers Campsite and attending the Big Gig, a pop concert just for Guides at Wembley Arena.

When not out and about, the Guides have been very busy in the hall completing their Active Response Badge and Go4It Space. The Guides have also participated in a bonfire bake off night, raised awareness for Jeans for Genes, celebrated the queen becoming Britain's longest reigning monarch and also made boxes for Operation Christmas Child. In addition, some of the girls completing their BP Award have run nights for the unit including a co-operative games night and a ballet master class.

The Guides ended the term with a talent show for their parents and friends. The show included carols on handbells, dance routines, musical interludes, poetry readings and comedy. In addition, a number of the Guides completing their BP Award ran stalls on the night to raise funds for worthy causes.

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