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### **The Very Hungry Caterpillar has gone missing!**

The caterpillar went missing earlier in the week, and seems to have returned as a pupa in a cocoon....what will happen next!

The minibeast corner was a great success, but it has now been transformed into a beach side area – complete with sand, seaweed and an ice cream van. The children have had great fun ordering, buying and selling pretend ice creams.



### **'Visit to BT centre, London'**

The children have been invited to attend a special Mickey Mouse Club House show and an episode of Dora the Explorer run by 'BT Vision Kids'. I quote ,

"There will be breaks with refreshments provided during the event - along with goodie bags and more surprises in store."

I think we will have to waver the 'Food Policy' for the day! We aim to leave school promptly at 8.50. next Friday 9th July. Please send your child with a packed lunch which is easy to carry. We will take additional water. (Please return attached permission slip). We also hope to drop into St Paul's Cathedral on the way home.

There may be a small charge for the boat, but I will endeavour to let you know about this in advance.

### **Visit to Orchard Wharf**

Earlier in the week the children walked to Orchard Wharf near East India dock. This was at the invitation of the Environment Agency to view the construction of a new wharf wall and reed bank. The children saw diggers and dumper trucks in action, as well as the rare Kidney Vetch plant. The protected Back Red Start bird did not show up, but it was an interesting

morning. Play time took place in the Dock grounds afterwards. East India Dock has become a regular lunch spot and sport ground for us in this very hot weather.



**'I will practice my backhand tennis skills!'**

Friday 16th July is the last day of term. You are warmly invited to attend the Summer Concert and Prize Giving Event.

Robert Whelan, the proprietor of New Model School, will be our guest speaker and the children will perform a short musical called, "The Caterpillar Boogie".

**Astroturf has been found!**

I have managed to source some second hand hockey astroturf for the playground at a fifth of the cost of the new astroturf. It will still cost just over £2,000, I am sure a sponsor will be forthcoming!

I look forward to welcoming some of you to the prestigious event at Fishmonger's Hall on Monday. Please make sure you arrive promptly at 6.00pm You will need to give your name at the door for security reasons.

It was wonderful to see you all at Sports Day last Friday. Thank you for your enthusiasm despite the searing heat. The picnic time afterwards was great fun and definitely an event to repeat next year – possibly in East India Dock!

Faraday needs – any offers?
Six (preferably white) kitchen wall cupboards to go above the sink and work surface for storage of paper towels, loo paper, plastic cups etc
Computers (no more than three years old)
Old shower curtains (Use for covering tables when painting)
Shoe boxes
Thank you
To Alex Webb's father for organizing the trip to BT centre

**Future Dates**

**Friday 16th July at 11am – Summer Concert and Prize Giving**

**PLEASE NOTE START TIME OF EVENT WAS INCORRECT IN LAST NEWSLETTER**

**Sarah Counter**