

Holbeach

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th November 2019

Year 3 Educational Visit to The Ragged School Museum

"We travelled on the DLR – that was fun! Then we walked along the towpath past the canal - the water was so high up. The Ragged School was at the top of some steps. In the gallery we saw Dr Barnardo's umbrella and glasses. After that we went to a Victorian classroom and had a very different lesson. The teacher was really strict. We sat up straight with no elbows on the desk, in silence. Some children got to wear the dunces cap to show us what it looked like. We had to do unusual handwriting called Copper Plate on a slate with black chalk. Then maths – $72+20+30$. It was very different in Victorian times to now. Worse!"
By Finley and Tyler 3C



Cricket Lessons in Year 4

Daniel Bell-Drummond, an ex-pupil of Holbeach Primary School is currently a professional cricketer, playing for Kent County Cricket Club. Daniel wants to inspire a love for cricket within Lewisham and has helped to set up a programme of cricket tuition in Lewisham schools.

This term, Holbeach are, once again, one of the schools to become involved in this programme and as a result the children in Year 4 are being taught the basics of the game by Daniel's fellow professionals.

Who knows maybe one a day one of our current Year 4 pupils will return to inspire another generation!

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 21st November

- Prospective Parents Open Morning (9:30am in the school Hall)

Friday 22nd November

- 4B Class Assembly (9:15am in the school hall - parents/carers welcome)

Saturday 23rd November

- The Holbeach Girls and Boys football teams competing in the Lewisham League (Blackheath 10am)

Wednesday 27th November

- Year 4 Memorable Experience (Tudor Banquet)

Thursday 28th November

- Year 2 Memorable Experience - Toy Exhibition (9:15am parents are invited to visit)
- 3C Class Assembly (9:15am in the school hall - parents/carers welcome)

Friday 29th November

- Friends of Holbeach Jumper/Toy Sale (3:20pm in the playground)

See website for the full school diary.

Lewisham Football League

Last Saturday, both of the Holbeach football teams (boys and girls) played their first matches in this year's Lewisham league.

In their first match, the girls took the lead against a strong team from Baring School (Aaliyah scored the goal) before Baring scored two late goals to win the match 2-1.

In their second match they peppered the Kender School goal with numerous shots but just could not find their way past the opposition goal keeper and the game ended 0-0.

The Boys team also showed a lot of determination and resilience in their two games.

Their first game was a comprehensive 2-0 win over Baring School (Matthew scored both goals) with all players contributing to a fine result.

The second game was a harsh lesson in the reality of this competition. A well-drilled Gordonbrock School team were flattered by the 6-0 score-line as the Holbeach boys actually played really well despite the result.

New Parent Governor

Thank you to everyone who took the opportunity to vote in our recent Parent Governor Election. With nearly one hundred votes it was a very close vote with each of the candidates gaining a good number of votes.

The winning candidate was Mr Ross Baptie. Mr Baptie will begin his tenure as a governor on Thursday 5th December at the next Full Governing Board meeting.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all three candidates (Mrs Austin-Burdett and Mr Adedoyin too) for expressing an interest in supporting the school in this way.

A Message from the School Council

On Monday, the School Councillors visited the Houses of Parliament. We took the train from Catford Bridge Station to London Bridge. When we arrived at the Houses of Parliament it was 11am, so we stopped to observe a 2 minute silence for Remembrance Day. Then we were given our visitor passes and went to watch a short film about the history of Parliament, which was really interesting.

We got to see Queen Victoria's throne and some huge paintings, then we went through a very long room where the Lords sit. We even found out how the Lords are selected.

Next we saw the House of Commons and the House of Lords. They were very old, but very fancy rooms!

We all had a great day and learned a lot about Parliament. Thank you to Mrs Howes for taking us.
Epheson and Isabel (6L)



The Friends of Holbeach Need Your Help

Are you having a clear out of
Christmas/winter Jumpers, Books & Toys
before Christmas?

Are you able to donate
Christmas/winter Jumpers, Books & Toys that can be
sold at the
Christmas/winter Jumper & Toy Sale
on Friday 29th November?

If the answer is yes we would love to receive your
donations.

Please leave donations of jumpers/books/toys that are in good condition with the school office
from 27th November.

