



# Horniman News

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We had an excellent turn out for our autumn assembly and some very memorable moments. Well done to all the children who performed so confidently and so well. Our next performances will be the KS1 Christmas show and KS2 concert at the end of term.

### GOVERNORS' NEWS

There was a full Governors' meeting this week at which Governors elected the chair (Carolyn Robinson) and vice-chair (Malcolm Finnie). These meetings follow an agenda largely set by the local education authority and includes business the governors are required to cover in the course of the year. The headteacher's report was presented which included the school improvement plan and the school achievement review annual report. School data for the last academic year was presented, Governors noted new government guidance on target setting and the new framework for Ofsted. Reports were received from three sub-committees: Learning, Achievement and Pupil Welfare; Finance, Personnel and Staff Welfare; and Premises, Health and Safety. Governors discussed a schedule for visiting classes. Each class has been allocated a governor who will follow the progress of the class over time. From 1st January 2010 there will be two vacancies for parent governors, and we plan to hold the election right at the start of the Spring term (more information will follow nearer the time). If any parent is interested in becoming a governor please feel free to approach any of the current governors directly or via the school office to find out more about the role.

### CLUB NEWS

Clubs will run for six weeks next half term and will finish on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Unfortunately we have not been able to start the textiles club this term. We aim to have a new textiles teacher for January and will keep you informed.

### SCHOOL SECURITY

The main school gates will be closed at 9.05am each day from the 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Please note that this is ten minutes earlier than previously.

### PARKING

We have had concerns raised about the number of parents who are parking on the yellow zig zags before and after school. Please can everyone ensure that they do not park on the zig zags. This includes stopping briefly to drop children off. We have been notified that mobile CCTV units will be monitoring the area after half term.

### PLAYSCHEME

Playscheme runs from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October. We still have some places left. The timetable of events is shown overleaf.

### GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

The best class at getting to school on time this week was YR1 with only 1 late. The class with the least lates so far this term is also YR1. Well done YR1.

### STAFF NEWS

Classes requiring cover after half term are as follows:  
Monday YR4 - Mia Foster

### THE BIG DRAW

As part of the national Big Draw event, Goldsmiths are inviting families to take part in 'Colour' - The Big Draw at Goldsmiths, University of London. This year's event will explore colour and is free for families to attend. So kick off the half term holiday by exploring your creative side! Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2009, 11am - 4pm at The Great Hall, Richard Hoggart Building, Goldsmiths, University of London, New Cross, London SE14 6NW Admission: FREE, all welcome!

### PTA NEWS

#### Donations Wanted

For the first time ever Horniman bring and buy sale – **Saturday November 7<sup>th</sup>** from 1pm till 4pm in the hall at school.

The aim is to raise lots of money for school and for you to empty out your home of unwanted things. Why not use half term to have a big clear out before Christmas? Donations can be brought to school on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November to be stored in the hall.

The ONLY donations we are looking for are GOOD QUALITY:

1. Cakes and biscuit (no nuts)
2. Kids toys
3. Baby clothes
4. DVDs and CDs
5. Kids and adult clothes
6. Books
7. 'Bric a brac' – eg: ornaments / kitchen utensils (no electrical items)

#### Help Wanted

We need your help on: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November after school – help with sorting the donations and preparing the sale.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November morning - help with sorting the donations and preparing the sale.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November afternoon - staffing one of the stalls at the sale. Please fill out the slip (below) with your offer of help.

#### Christmas Trees

The PTA will soon be taking bookings for your order for good quality drop and non drop Christmas trees. We have set the prices slightly below those set by local suppliers to help you make the right choice. There will be a stall at the bring and buy sale where you can order your tree or trees. More details to follow.

#### Winter Wonderland Ball

##### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 6pm – 9pm

We have named the date for the biggest event of the Autumn term – the end of term ball. Entertainment has been booked. Put the date in your diary now. Tickets will go on sale after half term. Thanks to all of you who came to the PTA meeting to thrash out great ideas for the event. More details to follow.

#### Last Choir Standing

Do you like singing? Would you like to join a choir? The PTA are putting together a choir. It will rehearse on Monday evenings at school.

Its first concert will be at the end of the Winter Wonderland Ball – a sing off against the staff to be 'the last choir standing'. Interested? Fill in the slip below.

### HORNIMAN PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

Parent/Carer Name & No: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name & Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to take part in the PTA Choir:  (please tick)

I can offer the following help at the Bring & Buy Sale:

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# October 2009 half term Playscheme

<p>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p>INTRODUCTION</p> <p>RULES</p> <p>TABLE GAMES</p> <p><b>Team Games</b></p> <p>Games</p>	<p>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p><b>Art &amp; Crafts Mornings</b></p> <p>Boy, girl, fruit flower</p> <p>Bingo</p>	<p>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p><b>SPORTS</b></p> <p>Swing park for lunch! Leaving @ 11am</p>	<p>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p><b>London Aquarium</b></p> <p>Under 8's</p> <p><b>IGT SUITE</b></p>	<p>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p><b>FIREWORKS PICTURES</b></p> <p>Outside Play</p> <p><b>Movie Mornings</b></p>
<p>Lunch @ 12 noon</p> <p><b>Swimming</b></p> <p>(over 8's)</p> <p><b>IGT Suite</b></p>	<p>Lunch @ 12 noon</p> <p><b>Badminton</b></p> <p><b>Rounders</b></p> <p><b>Pat-ball</b></p> <p><b>OUTSIDE PLAY.....</b></p>	<p>Lunch @ 12 noon</p> <p><b>SPORTS</b></p> <p>Arriving back to school @ 5pm</p>	<p>Lunch @ 12 noon</p> <p><b>Cooking</b></p> <p><b>Table Games</b></p> <p>Outside Play</p>	<p>Lunch @ 12 noon</p> <p><b>Free Play</b></p>