



# Horniman News

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## YR5 ECO HEROES

YR5 have designed and created some eco hero sculptures in art lessons over the last two months. The class worked in groups to design and make their models. Last week they had the difficult task of voting for their favourite eco hero. The class chose Electro Boy - a super hero who goes around collecting wasted electricity and redistributing it for good use. This sculpture is on display in the Glades Shopping Centre in Bromley along with many other entries. The top 10 sculptures will go on to be displayed at the Green Guardian Awards. Well done to all of YR5 for their creative designs.

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

A leaflet has been sent home today explaining the role of a parent governor. We hope that you will consider this important role. If we have more than two nominations; it will be necessary to hold an election. In addition to this a letter explaining the process in more detail and nomination form will be sent home on Monday. If you would like to find out more about the role; please feel free to contact me or any of our parent governors to discuss the role further.

## TERM DATES FOR 2010/2011

A copy of the term dates for the academic year 2010/2011 has been published on the school website (and included on the reverse of this letter). I am aware that at this time of year some families are thinking about booking their holidays. We ask that you ensure that holidays are not booked during term time unless in exceptional circumstances. When considering whether to authorise an absence during term time the following information is taken into account:

1. Exceptional family circumstance
2. Overall pattern of attendance for child

Any requests for absence need to be made in advance to the Headteacher.

## TERM PLANS

A copy of the term plans for each class will be available on the school website from Monday by clicking on individual class pages. A copy of the home learning activities have been sent home today. These are additional activities which you may like to do with your child. We are always pleased to hear about these in school and would be interested to know how many children are taking part. The activities are carefully selected to support what the children are learning about in school.

## CLUB NEWS

Letters have been sent out today confirming allocation of new club places. We will be starting two new clubs next week - a new cooking club and a new eco club.

## AMENDED DATES FOR THIS TERM

YR2 IMPACT Workshop      Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 9.00am  
YR5 IMPACT Workshop      Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 9.00am

## BEHAVIOUR POLICY RESPONSES

Thank you to everyone who has sent in a response to the behaviour and anti-bullying and anti-racist policies which were sent out at the end of last term. These responses are very helpful and will be shared with staff and governors. We are still happy to receive responses. The policies can be downloaded from our school website by clicking on 'about us' then 'key policies' - paper copies are available from the school office. We have arranged for an evening meeting in March to present the policies. This meeting will be led by Caroline Newton who is the Restorative Approaches Advisor in Lewisham.

## GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

The best class at getting to school on time this week was YR3 with only one late. Well done YR3! The class with the highest attendance this week was YR2; an impressive 99.3%. Well done YR2!

## STAFF NEWS

Welcome to Vicky Chung, a final practice student, who will be working in YR2 this term. Vicky has made a very positive start to her placement. There are no classes requiring cover next week.

## PTA NEWS

### Parent/Carer's Friday Coffee Mornings

Friday Coffee Mornings now take place on the first Friday of each month. The next one will be held in the Community Room on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February from 9.30-10.30am. Everyone welcome!

### PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting is planned for Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

## GOVERNOR NEWS

As the new Chair of Horniman Governors, I would like to wish everyone a happy new year. This may be a bit late but that's the weather for you and all the disruption it created. I would also like to welcome the new parents and children who have joined our happy community in Reception and throughout the school.

The new year brings new challenges and that includes continuing to build on the school's strengths. It is with the cooperation of parents, carers and of course the teachers and staff that we move forward and maximise the children's potential. The new year also brings opportunities. Opportunities to get involved and join the Governing body as spaces have opened up and there will be an election in early February. There is a lot of support and guidance available, from the Governors themselves, the school and from Lewisham. Lastly, thanks to all governors who have supported Horniman most recently, particularly Carolyn Robinson who was chair of the governing body.



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### **Horniman Primary School**

Term Dates  
2010-2011

#### **Autumn Term (2010)**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

**Half Term – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

***NB: INSET day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September***

#### **Spring Term (2011)**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February

**Half Term - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April

#### **Summer Term (2011)**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

**Half Term – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

*May Bank Holiday – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2011*

#### **INSET Days**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2010

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2011

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2011

1 further INSET day TBA

***NB: All the above dates can be viewed under the 'calendar' and the 'about us' sections of the school website***