RANDOM MIX May 2016

Welcome to this edition of the Random Mix.



Many pupils have been learning about the geography of Tower Hamlets.

We thought pupils might like to know more about the history of London.

We live in a fascinating city. Every day in London you will see thousands of tourists visiting its many famous landmarks. This summer ask your parents or carers to take you to some of these places. Read on to find out about a remarkable Londoner, Henry Croft.

The London tradition of the Pearly Kings and Queens was begun in 1875 by a small lad named Henry Croft. Henry was born and raised in an orphanage in north London. At the age of 13 he had to leave the orphanage and make his own way in life. His first job

was as a road sweeper. Henry made many friends

with the Costermongers who were street traders and stall holders in the nearby markets. Henry noticed how the Costermongers helped each other through difficult times and Henry decided that he wanted

to help the London poor.

Henry needed to be noticed when collecting for charity so he decided to copy the Costermonger tradition of sewing pearl buttons onto his clothes. Henry swept up pearl buttons from the streets and he sewed these pearl buttons onto his garments. Henry set about collecting money for hospitals and orphanages.

Henry was in great demand so he asked his friends the Costermongers to help him collect money for charity.





A Victorian Costermonger



Pearly King and Queen

The Costermongers were happy to help Henry .They decorated their clothes with patterns of pearl buttons and collected money for charity. These Costermongers later became the Pearly Kings and Queens of London and they helped in alleviating some of the hardships of London's poor. Henry died in 1930 and his funeral was attended by 400 Pearlies which was filmed by Pathe News.

Pearly Kings and Queens from the London boroughs still continue to collect for charities. You may have seen a group of them collecting money in Brick Lane. Tourists pose to have their photographs taken with the Pearlies. In 2012 a parade of real life Pearly Kings and Queens was featured at the Summer Olympics Opening Ceremony.







A Pearly Queen next to a statue of Henry Croft in the crypt of St Martins in the Field, Trafalgar Square.

Fascinating facts about london

London is made up of **two ancient cities** which are now joined together.

They are:

- the City of London, know simply as 'the City' which is the business and financial heart of the United Kingdom. It is also known as the Square Mile (2.59 sq km/1 sq mi). It was the original Roman settlement (ancient Londinium), making it the oldest part of London and already 1,000 years old when the Tower of London was built.
- the City of Westminster, where Parliament and most of the government offices are located. Also Buckingham Palace, the official London residence of the Queen and the Royal family are located there too.

Together they all make up a region known as Greater London.

The plays of William Shakespeare were performed in London's Globe Theatre in the 1600s. An exact copy of the original theatre close to the same site was completed in 1996.

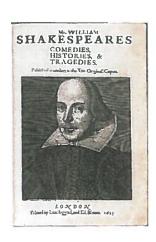






Buckingham Palace





This competition is for you to DRAW or PAINT a FAMOUS LONDON .

LANDMARK. Write a few sentences which should include a few facts.

Interviewing Hannah

We know that you are from Scotland, tell us about the primary school you went to.

My primary school was in the countryside and there were about sixty pupils in the whole school. In small schools one teacher can teach up to three small classes.

How many years have you been teaching at Old Ford Primary Academy?

This is my seventh year in this school and it is the only school I have taught in.

When did you start to learn French and can you teach us a few words?

I learnt French in primary school in primary six (year 5). Newspaper is un journal, school is une école and summer is l'été.

Tell us about Scottish dancing.

I learnt Scottish dancing at school. Usually four boys and four girls dance together in a group, the boys wear kilts and the girls wear dresses. I have taken part in a number of international dance festivals in Sweden, Russia, France and Poland.

Did you have an ambition when you were young?

I wanted to be a ballet dancer.

What is the best part about being a teacher?

The best part about being a teacher is to see pupils becoming more confident in their approach to learning.

Hannah is the class teacher in 2 Red.



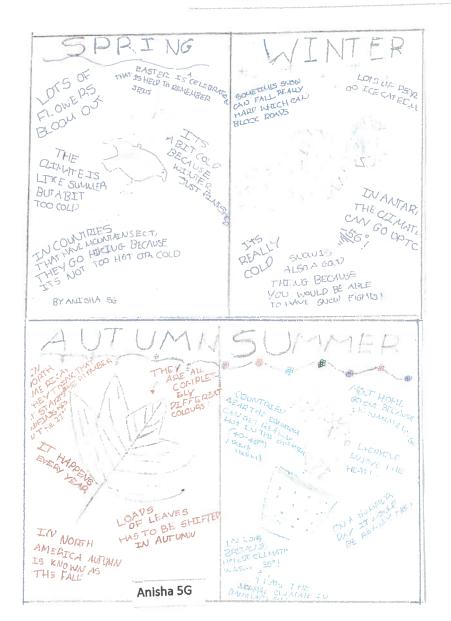
Thank you for allowing us to interview you Hannah. Many thanks to Hannah's mother who emailed the photograph. The photograph shows Hannah with some friends at a Scottish dancing club. Hannah is either four or five years of age.

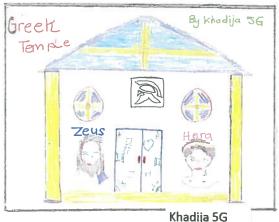


This interview was made by Melissa

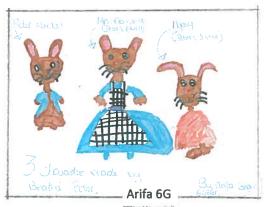
and Riocca.

COMPETITION WINNERS



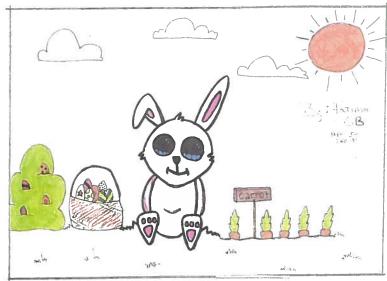














COMPETITION WINNERS



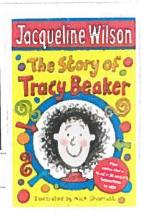
Thank you for entering our competitions.. We wish to let you know that we appreciate all the entries we receive and it would be wonderful if the Random Mix team could give a prize for every entry put in the box but that is not possible so accept our big THANK YOU instead.

Amber 4G

COMPETITION

This competition is about summer outfits. DESIGN a summer outfit it could be long sleeved, short sleeved or have no sleeves at all, it's completely up to you. To make your work even more amazing chose a colour that suits the design of the costume. Get creative. You might like to label your design.

This competition is for you to draw a COVER of your favourite book or to design a cover for an imaginary book. Don't forget to add a clear title along with the name of the author and illustrator.





COMPETITION

Interesting facts about london

- London is the <u>biggest city</u> in Britain and in Europe.
- London occupies over 620 square miles
- London has a population of 8.539 million (2014)
- About 12 per cent of Britain's overall population live in London
- London has the <u>highest population density</u> in Britain, with 4,699 people per square kilometre,
- London is in the southeast of England.
- London is the seat of central government in Britain.
- The tallest building in London is The Shard.
- London was the first city in the world to have an underground railway, known as the '<u>Tube</u>'.
- Some of the most important people from countries all over the world visit the Queen at <u>Buckingham Palace</u>.





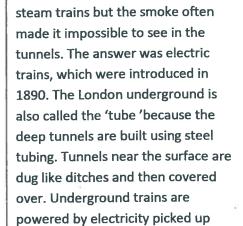
Museums and Galleries



The Queen's Guards

COMPETITION

DRAW a picture of the SUN SETTING.



from special rails.

The first underground railway opened in London in 1863. It used





Your work must be in colour.

COMPETITION

For this competition you will need some paper, colouring pens or pencils and a great imagination. You need to create a SUMMER LEAFLET advertising a holiday somewhere tropical. It could be in Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Bahamas, Barbados or Madagascar. Have fun.

COMPETITION

For this competition you will need to create a poster about SUMMER. Add the things you most enjoy about summer. I love flowers so I would include lots of flowers in my poster. Remember to add some TEXTURE also. Use paint or anything that makes your poster interesting.

Don't just sit there, get busy.





Imagine what you might like to do this summer and draw a picture of you and your family enjoying the experience. If you wish you can include a sentence about where you are and what you are doing.

COMPETITION



COMPETITION









The Queen celebrated her 90th birthday on the 21st April this year and to mark this event we at the Random Mix have included a competition.

DRAW a picture of the Queen when she was young and a picture of the Queen as she is now. You must draw both pictures side by side.

We have included a few photographs to help you.



London Landmarks Word Scramble

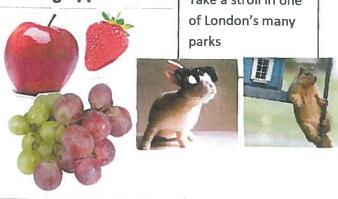
1. neosins cmouni	
2. melunmili dmoe	
3. twore fo Idonon	
4. bgi bne	
5. mealrb achr	
6. bihmackgun paleac	
7. wstensmriet aybbe	
8. trwoe bdirge	
9. lonodn eey	
10. ts palus	the man age and the other own

COMPETITION

Since it is nearly summer and fruits are ripening on the trees I thought it would be appropriate for us to include a competition about fruits .DRAW or PAINT a picture of your FAVOURITE FRUIT and write a couple of sentences about it . You could state why you enjoy eating the chosen fruit or you might like to draw the life cycle of the plant .Enjoy your work about succulent strawberries, great grapes or amazing apples.

Take a stroll in one

Can you help the Beefeater find his way through the maze to the Tower of London?



During the summer months children enjoy getting out and doing different things .In Portugal where I have lived, many children and adults spend their leisure time on the many glorious beaches .Some young people like to spend their time at international camps doing voluntary work such as conservation projects. If you can't go abroad this summer or go away on holiday in Britain, you can still have a good time enjoying the benefits of London's parks and landmarks. Get out with your parents and carers and enjoy this amazing city.





COMPETITION

. Summer is the time of sunshine and fun. This competition is for you to draw a SCENE AT A BEACH. People could be playing beach ball, making sandcastles or paddling in the sea. Make sure your work is in colour.

Thank you for reading the Random Mix. This edition was written by Nafeesah, Yusra, Jamelia, Riocca, Majia ,Shelvon ,Melissa,Majia and Olivia. Please remember to put your name and class on all competition entries and put your work in the Random Mix box which you will find in the ground floor hall.

