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The Harbinger Primary School newspaper is written by the children for the school community. Our newspaper is published every half term.

Learning

Tom Becomes a Father

By Innaya R.

What wonderful news we have to share at the *Harbinger Chronicles*. Our very own colleague, Tom Bem-Hodgkinson became a father for the very first time this December.

His son's name is Koa Bear and Tom says he is a very good baby and for the most part is a good sleeper.

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Togetherness

A Visit From the Big Man Himself

By Tanisha

Who remembers the amazing Winter Wonderland on Friday 6th of December? We met Santa and enjoyed a lovely bouncy castle. But not one bouncy castle, instead we were treated to two big bouncy castles!

The delicious aromatic dishes made by parents, carers and staff warmed us up from the inside.

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Editorial

Question of the Issue:



What did you think of the new Christmas Winter Wonderland?

Ismail: I liked the wonderland except how they were no caramel tarts.

Dolly: It was good because I liked the bouncy castle because it was dark. My brother was scared of Father Christmas so I didn't go in there

Anas: I loved running a stall because it was really fun seeing people come to us and buy some of our toys. I also loved going in the bouncy castle because i couldn't see and I was getting scared out of nowhere

Asiya: I loved the Christmas Winter Wonderland because there were a variety of things to buy and it was a very spacious area!

Numairah: I did not go to the christmas winter wonderland but i did see the newspaper and it looked way better than last years

Tasnimah: I loved the christmas Winter Wonderland this year

Wafa: I think it was amazing

Isma: The Christmas Winter wonderland was really fan I loved making the cooks then eating them.

Fiona: It was so great to see our community come together and enjoy themselves.



Jade: It was very, very cute. A fantastic array of activities and prizes. Kept the children entertained for hours. A real sense of community.



Opinion

Bring Back Harbinger Records

by Tanisha

So, as you know, my articles are mainly about Harbinger School events but on Saturday I was at my cousin's house and I remembered that when she went to Harbinger, she was nominated for the Harbinger records back in 2022 or 2021.

It got me thinking about the talent I see every day at Harbinger. So many of us have amazing talents so maybe we should bring it back.

I don't want make this decision on my own. I will discuss this idea with Fiona and the rest of our club team to see what they think,

But I also want to know what you think!

.My talent is that I can read ten books in a week but sometimes during holidays or half term break, I READ EVEN MORE!!!

So, what do you think? What's your talent? To participate:

- Come talk to me
- Talk to Fiona once it's official.

THIS IS NOT OFFICIAL YET!!!

More to come in our next issue of the *Harbinger Chronicles*

😊 FUNNY THINGS 😊 That will make your day

Well-Being

by Kulsuma

When you tell your parents a joke and it turns into a lecture



Roll up Roll up Take the Stage!!

Togetherness

by Yasin and Abyan

As you may know, we've all been rehearsing for our Christmas shows. At least I hope you have been because if you didn't-well... GOOD LUCK TO YOU.

All of the shows will be amazing and I know they will all be unique and creative.

Some people are doing a famous song such as *Feliz Navidad*.

In my opinion, concerts are horrible only when people don't try.

This would be some entertainment, and we do this every year, so it won't be abnormal.

The shows will also be performed for an audience of our parents and families, so make sure you try your best and make sure to practise a lot, and you will not be embarrassed!

You probably will not be disappointed, so no need to worry!

A Funny Conversation

Continued from Issue 4.1

by Yasin, Zayd, Dawud and Anas

Chapter 1 Season 6

Zayd: You guys want to come to my house after school and play football.

Yasin: Why not.

Dawud: Bet.

“Yasin and Dawud go to Zayd's house after school.”

Yasin: Zayd your house is massive.

Zayd: It is not that big.

Yasin: Ok, whatever you say.

Yasin: What are you waiting for let's play football.

“They all go to Zayd's garden”

Zayd: Welcome to my Garden.

Dawud: Its big as Caseoh!!!

Yasin: Why is that so TRUE

Dawud: Because I AM HIM!

Zayd: Who is him.

Dawud: I just said that is me.

Yasin: In that case, DAWUD IS HIM!!!

Zayd and Dawud: HAHAHHHAHAHAHAHA!!!!

Dawud: Broski I was only joking

Yasin:

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Dawud: Calm down Bruda calm down.

Dawud: Yurish Tenkai (In a Gojo voice)

Zayd and Yasin: WHAAAAT.

Dawud: it is Japanese to say you are kind.

Dawud: Yasin, YURISH TENKAI.

Yasin: YEAY (SOIWIE VOICE)

“Yasin and Dawud smile”

Chapter 1 Season 7

Zayd: What class do you have?

Dawud: I am so lucky I got P.E and were doing football as 1st lesson.

Zayd and Yasin: Luckyyyyyy!!!!

Yasin: I have food technology with Caseoh.

Zayd: Sad. I got computing. Computing is fun.

Dawud: Bye guys.

Zayd: (whispering) I got P.E and I'm just going to play football with Dawud.

Yasin: Hi.

Zayd and Dawud: You got food technology what are you doing here?

Yasin: I made the teacher a little mad for making him a 16kg pizza for Caseoh to eat and of course it was not enough for him, so he just told me to go to another class.

Dawud: Zayd why are you here?

Zayd: Computing got cancelled.

“They all played football and destroyed the other team 4-3”

Zayd: We are just the academy players bro.

Yasin: We are Real Madrid vs Liverpool!

Caseoh: Yasin! Come back to class right now! I noticed there was a missing burger! Make me it! Right now!

Chapter 1 Season 8

Zayd: Let's go chicken Island.

Dawud: Agreed

Zayd: Let's invite Ayaan to come.

Dawud: Good idea.

Zayd: Yo Ayaan, do you want to come chicken Island with me Yasin and Dawud?

Ayaan: Ok.

Yasin: What do you want.

Dawud: I will get a 2 BBQ chicken wings and chips

Zayd: I'll get 2 wings and chips. Ayaan what you want?

Ayaan I will get 3pc chicken and some chippy chips.

Yasin: I'll get the same as Dawud.

Zayd: Alright I'll order.

Dawud: Look Anas is here ordering.

Zayd: (Goes to order food)

Yasin: I'm going to invite Anas. (Walks over to Anas to sit with him)

Zayd: The order will take 10 minutes for everyone not including Anas.

Ayaan: Anas what did you order?

Anas: 1 burger 10 wings 7 piece and fries. (Not Joking)

Ayaan: I think bro needs his own table for all that! (joking)

Look forward to more 'A Funny Conversation' coming soon!

COMICS

A Day in My Life

by Tanisha

In the morning, I wake up at 7:00am. I make sure to brush my teeth.



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Then I leave for school.

After I finish school work, my reward is break.



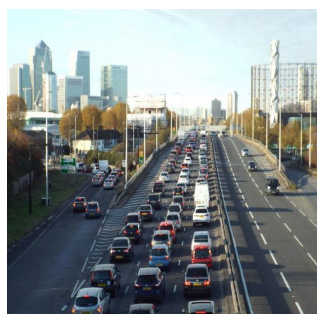
Then it's English time!

Time for lunch.



After we are done with art, it's time for dismissal and I get to go home!!

Oh wait, there is so much traffic so I'll be home by 5:00 if I leave at 4:00. 😞😞😞😞😞



Adventures at Mudchute Farm

by Yusuf and Ismail

I went to Mudchute farm and I saw a horse with a blanket it. Who knew horses got cold! Not me.

After that I went to the donkey area and saw some amazing donkeys, one of them went up to me and I was astonished when it let me feed him.

Furthermore, I was walking and following the trail, when... I... Saw... CHICKENS!!! They were running around, eating and playing with each other.

MUDCHUTE
EAST LONDON COUNTRYSIDE

Jade and Jet go to the Theatre

by Abyan and Anas

Today, Jet and Jade class went on a trip to watch a theater play.

The show is known as Odd and the Frost Giant. The year 3 and 4s really enjoyed the play a lot.

Near the end of the show they played a song. The people's name were, Freyja, Frost giant, Loki, Odin and Thor.



Celebrating

Winter Wonderland Cont'd from p. 1



Learning

Christmas Card Competition Winner!

by Dawud

This year there is a Christmas card competition where you design cards for Christmas! 😊 You can colour, sketch or just draw about Christmas! If you don't like Christmas, it is absolutely fine because it's fun and you can do... anything!

by Asiya and Nicole

The christmas card competition is our favourite time because we get to express our art style in card form!



One of the winners is ... our very own, Dawud!



Learning

Young City Makers

by Tanisha

On Monday 25th of November, Nazmeen, the Turquoise class teacher, handpicked seven children to write a speech about their recent workshop with architecture practice, Fieldon Fowles.

Then, the group went to the City Makers Event at the Tower Hamlets Town Hall held in the evening, from 5- 7pm and IT WAS TOTALLY WORTH IT!!!

The Year 5 group won the award for the Materials Prize. They had the opportunity to talk into a big microphone in front of probably 100 people. Tanisha and Isma were very confident. They each won a medal and at the beginning they collected small badges.

The people who represented Harbinger from Turquoise were Eesa M., Tanisha, Humayl, Annayah, Taafeef and Isma. Sadly, Inaaya (yr5) was unable to attend. But her work, along with everyone else's, managed to get Harbinger the win!

Good job everyone and I have to say, the way everyone showed so much togetherness was really nice because everyone contributed.



Cookathon at Harbinger

Well-Being

by Tanisha and Ismail

On the 7th of November, Hassane from Tower Hamlets Contract Catering Services came to our school and set up a cooking competition with two Celebrity Chefs.

Can you guess who the chefs were!? ASMA AND AZMINA!! Hassan explained that the contestants each needed two young chefs. They were selected based their answers to the quiz on Healthy Eating and chosen by Nimesha.

Ismail in Amber class, Yahya in Jade class, Tanisha in Turquoise class and Grace in Jet class were chosen.



The teams were given 15 minutes to cook a nutritious meal.

Azmina's team made cheesy chicken pasta and Asma's team made chickpea curry with a fruit salad.

There were very special voting cards. Asma's team had green on one side and Azmina's had orange on the other side.

In terms of presentation, Asma's team won. I was on that team and Grace was my teammate, and Tanisha and Yahya were my rivals. It was a difficult vote but MY TEAM WON. After the vote, kids got to try the food of course.

I tried the food as well. IT WAS YUMMY!

**READY
STEADY
COOK**



Well-Being Culture Day Fun

By Isma and Tanisha

On 25th of October it was culture day! Lucky for us, Pearl class Teacher, Lydia, had organised an assembly with real life musicians who perform Caribbean music.

Who knew Baby shark could be a Caribbean piece of music. Most influential music can actually be played in this style. This is something we least expected!!

The musicians played many songs we danced to them! They sang

- Under the sea by Samul E. Wright
- Baby shark by Hope Seguine
- Calm down by Selena Gomez and
- Water by Tyla

It was so cool, and it was even connected to our project about the ship that carried Caribbean people to Britain, the Windrush.



Tom Becomes a Father, cont'd from p.1

Tom is a Dad!

by Inaaya R



Sadly, today is Tom's last day. But here comes the good news... HE'S BECOMING A FATHER!

His partner's name is Leah. He will be away for ten days, and he is coming back in a few weeks. It will be a son, and it will be a home birth.

This Friday is Tom's last day because he's partner is in labor and will have a baby on Saturday or within 24 hours, he will be a father. He is very nervous, excited and has a different range of emotions because of the tension that he is feeling.

But also, he will be missing all of us every single day because he is at school for 5 days a week but since he has a baby, he would have to do his priorities and look after his child.

Leah's job is to teach yoga, and she loves doing puzzles so much that she has already finished all the puzzles inside their house.

Wordsearch Fun

Healthy Eating

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- Blood Pressure
- Balanced Diet
- Carbohydrates
- Citrus Fruit
- Latex Fruits
- Cholesterol
- Food Plate
- Vegetables
- Be Active
- Bloodflow
- Nutrients
- Minerals
- Strength
- Calcium
- Glucose
- Insulin
- Muscles
- Obesity
- Protein
- Fibre
- Fruit
- Sugar
- Diet
- Fat





Learning

Harbinger School's Day of Play!

By Tanisha.

On Wednesday 20th of November, Harbinger hosted their first "Day of play". I think that the theme of the day is in the title; THE THEME IS... PLAY.

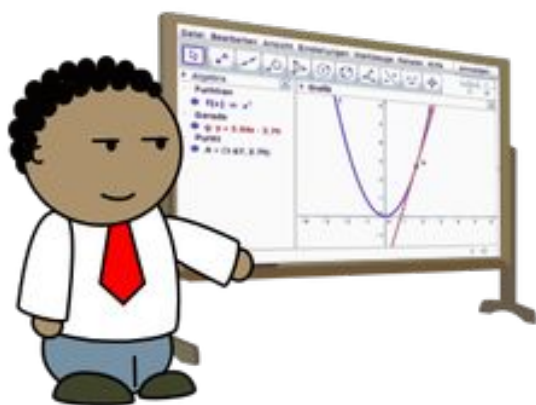
This was a day full of D.T and computing. We had the privilege to use microbits. As you pass Nimesha, remember to say thank you for letting us use these micro-bits.

In Turquoise Class we had an extremely kind range of volunteers work with us. In my project I created a beautiful and creative school thanks to Lola, Akvile (volunteer), Faiha and Samaya.

Towards the End there was a Polystyrene Mishap... Lots fell but as a class we all contributed and cleaned up the mess and happily continued our day and we went downstairs to see the amazing Projects Harbinger Created!

My questions for you:

1. How was your day playing?
2. Did you have fun?
3. What school value represents the Day of Play?



Thank a Teacher Poem

By Tanisha

We should be thankful,
As teachers are charming,
I thank Fiona for her Obedience,
Especially when I felt like a person in a dilemma
going in a sequence,
I thank Nimesha for her Kindness,

Along with her ongoing happiness,
I thank Imma for being there for Me,
When I saw her My face would light up in glee,
I thank Naz for Trying her best,
And of course, for teaching us the difference
between guest and guessed,
I thank Everyone for making our school the
best place to be,
Thanks to everyone our school is a place with
happiness and glory!

Jeanette and the Pear

Togetherness



by Isma

In lunch while everyone was getting their food, there was a burst of laughter and disgust about to occur....

A girl in Turquoise class named Zaynab was just getting her food and dessert.

After she sat with her friends, she noticed something that would turn the lunch hall upside down!!!

The pear was the shape of a BOTTOM!

She showed everyone on the table the pear and they burst into laughter. Jeanette was patrolling the lunch hall, and while she was walking, she came across Zaynab. Jeanette told Syeda to have a look at it, but Syeda did not know what she meant and said that it was NOT a bottom it was a double pear!

Jeanette had a crazy idea and showed everyone at the lunch hall the pear.

Everyone went chaotic and the hall went crazy!!!

It is important to have a laugh and a joke sometimes.

Football For Dads

by Wafa and Fiona

Every Friday dads come to play football using our Harbinger School pitch.

It is not only children that get to use our school football pitch! Adults can enjoy it too.

But, it isn't only parents who get to play, Teacher Tom plays for the Harbinger football team with former Harbinger School students who also get to play.

If your parents want join (or uncles older brothers), ask Tom how they can join.

Do not worry about it being too dark outside because we have floodlights at Harbinger so that football can be played in the dark.

DO NOT BE SCARED. But do be careful, because Dads' football can be rough and intense, some Dads, and even Tom, have been injured in the past. You have been warned...



A Harbinger Alum Gives the Scoop About Secondary

by Asiya

My first year at secondary school has been amazing so far. But I do miss Harbinger. Secondary school is so different and I will always, and when I say always, I mean always, miss Harbinger!

I'm still writing for the *Harbinger Chronicles*, because I would do anything to help my primary!

In my school, we have one break and one lunch (or 2 breaks if you count lunch.)

Every lesson we have a different teacher, it is not like primary. We even learn harder things and we have to go from class to class. But luckily, we only have 3 periods/3 lessons per day.

There are lots of opportunities at George Green's School, (not an advert) but Harbinger has lots of good opportunities too!