



## Stage 2 Homework Project

### Researching and Presenting Change in Blackheath

Welcome to the first homework project of the year! This term, you are being tasked with creating an interview to ask an elderly member or long-term resident of the Blackheath community (either a family member, friend of the family, or members of the community invited to the school) in order to collect primary source evidence of **changes over time** and **what has remained constant** in the Blackheath area, and present your findings to the class.

This homework project comes in several parts:

- 1) Prepare interview questions to collect 'primary source' evidence of changes and what has remained constant in Blackheath. These questions can include what the area was like in their childhood and their favourite memories.
- 2) Carry out student created interviews with an elderly member of the Blackheath area.
- 3) Prepare and present a presentation of findings of change in the Blackheath area.

#### Interview

Your job is to interview them about their childhood and memories. You need to focus on the changes that have occurred in their life and town since they were young. Find out why the person that you interviewed thinks the changes have occurred.

Example questions:

- How long have you lived in Blackheath?
- What was the town like when you were young? (e.g. shops, school, family life, transport, religion, nutrition)
- What are the major changes? What has stayed the same?
- What did you like about it then? What do you like about it now?

It is recommended you write at least 5 questions and no more than 10 question in order to collect information about the changes in Blackheath over time.

**The due date for this part of the assignment is Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> March (Week 8).** This will allow your classroom teacher to know you are on track and offer help if needed.

#### Conduct Interviews

After confirming the interview questions with your classroom teacher, you are tasked to conduct the interview. You can ask an elderly member of your family or a friend of the family. If your family and friends are new to the area, the school will be having members of the community visit the school to answer student questions on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March (Week 8). There is no due date for this part of the project.

#### Presentation

You will make a presentation of your findings in the form of a 2 minute long speech. In this presentation, you will share how the Blackheath area has changed over time according to a local member of the community. You are encouraged to prepare palm cards to support your speech. If you wish, you may use technology (digital images, slideshows) or physical evidence (music, objects).

**Presentations will be due on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April (Week 11)** with speeches conducted in that week.

If you have any questions about the homework project, please feel free to contact your classroom teacher.

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