

• Our Hut

Our Hut Schools' Project

What is Our Hut?

Our Hut is an architecture education charity that inspires through architecture and the built environment.

- We particularly specialize in heritage projects and provide rich and fun learning experiences for schools, teachers, families, and the general public, through school workshops and public events.
- Our projects tend to focus on a specific building, group of buildings or area, often chosen to bring an overlooked or at-risk part of the built environment and London's history to notice in an interesting way.
- Our practical and creative school projects link to all areas of the curriculum and frequently result in free online resources for other teachers to use. They give children the opportunity to develop analysis, design and making skills and to just have fun!
- Young people, community groups, teachers and event participants all tell us they are looking at their neighbourhood anew after taking part in one of our workshops or events.

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Peckham THI Schools' Education Projects

- As part of the wider Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) in Peckham, Our Hut was commissioned to design and deliver complementary schools' education projects.
- These projects involved workshops carried out in two primary schools in 2017, and a legacy project in 2022, for which Our Hut devised a programme of creative heritage workshops, including plans and activities.
- This 2022 project was then delivered over half a term by teachers supported by Our Hut in four local primary schools:
 - John Donne Primary School Year 3
 - St John's and St Clement's C of E Primary
 School Year 5
 - The Belham Primary School Year 4
 - Bellenden Primary School Years 4 and 5
- In each school, two classes took part, and each class was allotted two 'special study buildings' Peckham buildings of particular interest that became the focus for in-depth work.
- Our Hut led the first session and we visited Rye Lane and Peckham High Street, becoming detectives to spot details in the wonderful range of interesting buildings stretching back to the eighteenth century. We learnt about Peckham's fascinating heritage and each class also visited their own two 'special buildings'.
- The rest of the workshops took place with the teachers in the classroom and centred on helping the children to investigate and connect with their local area. Activities included:
 - making Peckham timelines
 - analysing 'then and now' photos
 - investigating famous Peckham people
 - producing 'time-travel' postcards
- The children made creative work in response to the architecture, history, daily life, and people of the heart of Peckham, in particular the models displayed here of the special buildings. There are two models for each building; one showing it either as when first built or as seen in a later archive photo, and the other as it appears today.
- Also shown are timelines and carbon paper drawings of other buildings in Rye Lane and Peckham High Street.
- The 2022 scheme of work will be available online for all teachers to use in the future.





