



**Universal Children's Day**  
20 November

Tower Hamlets Town Hall Debating Chamber 17<sup>th</sup> November 2016

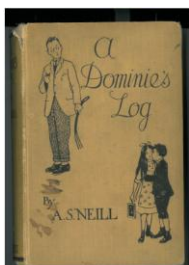
**Celebration of UN Children's Day  
and Training for George Greens School Council  
using Alexander Bloom's St George's-in-the-East School, 1945-55.**

Over one hundred years ago a community was created of teachers, educationalists, professors, artists, politicians, suffragists, soldiers... in response to the poverty and inhumanity of the industrial revolution and the industrialisation of war in 1914, this community struggled to 'liberate the child' in our schools.

They were to define the modern child centred primary school, promoting play, group work, co-operative learning, learning by doing, creative expression, decision-making and learning through the natural world.

Alexander Bloom was a part of the international aspect of this community, the New Education Fellowship.

- 10:25am Introduction to New Ideals by Michael Newman & UN Children's Day
- 10:30am Greeting by Tower Hamlet's Mayor, John Biggs
- 10:35am Question session with Mayor, John Biggs on importance of politics and co-operation.
- 11:00 am Fairtrade break
- 11:15 am Introduction to St Georges in the East by Prof Michael Fielding
- 11:20 am St George's in the East – jig saw activity on how it worked.
- 11:40 am Student presentations on St Georges in the East
- 12:10 pm Prof Michael Fielding interview on St Georges in the East.
- 12:30 pm Ends



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still ahead of its time

'New Ideals in Education', over one hundred years of 'liberating the child' in the school.