



Museum Cabinet

Creating Curiosity and Wonderment

The school began its museum in 2006 after a suggestion made to us by an American teacher while we were attending the National Centre for the Teaching of Thinking's Summer Institute held at Tufts University, Massachusetts and thoughts that developed while visiting the Harvard Museum of Natural History and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology. Both museums are part of Harvard.

Our Museum is housed in our library. A selection of objects from the collection are taken from storage and placed on display in locked glass display cabinet. In the museum display cabinet the display is on a theme which supports a current science or social science Quest.



Atlas Moth

Along with the objects displayed are a selection of books from our library. For a display in the this cabinet eight books are chosen to support the theme. We find that the books are almost constantly out during the display. After each reader returns the book it is placed back on the display, it usually stays less than a day before being taken out by another student.



Mascots, XXVIII Olympiad, Athens, 2004.

Where possible we try to obtain authentic artefacts such as a relic dug from a Second World War battle field or a coconut thrown from a New Orleans Mardi Gras float. We want the wonderment that comes from the objects being real.



Sabre-tooth tiger skull and Dharma doll from Japan.



Leaf Insect



Commonwealth Games Contribution Medal