

### HOLBEACH TOWN BAND

Enjoying Brass Banding in Holbeach since 1971

Golden Anniversary (1971 - 2021)

### NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2025

### SEPTEMBER EVENTS

#### Sat 13th September - Moulton Working Weekend

Spalding's All Included Music Project (AIMP) were organising a stage at the Moulton Working Weekend, and part of the Harvest Festival Weekend. We were invited to take part for a 45 minute set. After a lot of changes, we ended up playing jointly with St Nicolas Brass for an hour and a half.



The event was at the 'Working Field' near Moulton. It was a very large field! In the distance we could see tractors working. We were in front of a stage; there were some bales for an audience but very few people. We had a break half way through during which there was a heavy shower. The stage was the back of a lorry with difficult access, so we set up in front.



#### COMING UP

Sat 11th October - Music For All - Learn to Play taster Sat 18th October - Last Night of the Proms at Moulton Sun 9th November - Holbeach St Marks Remembrance Fri 5th December - Christmas Concert at Tydd St Mary Sat 13th December - Carol Concert at Parson Drove





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### SCHOOL VISITS

On 23rd September, Mel Hopkin and Tony Fell visited Holbeach Primary and Holbeach Bank Academies. We were invited because the schools are studying a project about musical instruments. We were asked to demonstrate the instruments.

We took with us a cornet, a trumpet, a bugle, a tenor horn, a baritone, a trombone and an Eb Bass.

At Holbeach Bank we had an hour to demonstrate to the whole school (approx. 90 pupils). We played all the instruments and explained how they make sound; and we played a few pieces. We then offered the pupils the chance to make a sound out of the instruments; quite a lot of them tried and most of them had no difficulty in making a decent sound. The pupils then asked the staff to have a go which they did.

At Holbeach Primary we only had half an hour. We only saw Early Years pupils from Years 1 and 2 because the school has too many pupils to fit in their hall. We did not have time to let the pupils have a go.

All the pupils were given leaflets about the band and were invited to join our learner group.

### COMING UP

# Sat 18th October - Last Night of the Proms at Moulton Community Centre.

Our favourite concert of the year. A welcome return to the Moulton Community Centre. We've got our programme and flags ready.

These photos are from our last Last Night of the Proms at the Community Centre in 2018. We had a much bigger band then!







