

Friday October 10<sup>th</sup> (the tenth)

The boy with the sewing machine.

He is a little chinese boy, he is sewing.  
He looks sad and unhappy.

He is sitting on the floor and his knees.

He is working hard for a little salary.

He hasn't got any chair, table, and shoes.

He has an old dirty tee-shirt and shorts.

The English kids don't work but a lot of little  
chinese boys work for a little salary.

This is a denunciation about English companies who  
make chinese children work for a little salary.

The asian kid is in black and white, but the flags  
are in colours.

## Banksy Jubilee graffiti of sweatshop boy with sewing machine appears overnight at London bargain store... but who stole the bunting?

A new piece of stencilled graffiti, possibly by Banksy, has appeared overnight on the wall of a Poundland shop in London.

It shows a young Asian boy hunched\* over a sewing machine with real Union Flag bunting\* attached (...) it could be a dark reflection on the imminent Olympics or the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Residents noticed the artwork this morning on the side of the nearby bargain store\* - which sells similar bunting - and has itself been at the centre of controversy.

Two years ago, Poundland launched an inquiry\* after a boy of seven was found to be working 100 hours a week in an Indian sweatshop\* producing goods for the store.

The child, known as Ravi, was reportedly earning just 7p an hour to make napkin rings for the cut-price chain.

The company severed ties\* with the supplier\* and issued a statement\* saying it "did not tolerate child labour".

The artist appeared to have secretly painted the wall in the early hours of yesterday morning with the help of two collaborators.

Holly-Jade Leathers, 14, who lives on the road, told the Evening Standard: "I came down here at about four in the morning and there were three guys who looked homeless with their backs to the wall (...) I came back past at six o'clock and it was there (...)"

James Longshaw, 42, who works in new media, said: "It's a work of art, so of course I enjoy it. It will probably put house prices up in the area - that's what has happened in areas where he has been before (...) He isn't attacking the area, he is attacking businesses in the area which exploit people in sweatshops."

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hunch over = bend over    a bunting = decorative flags    a bargain store = a shop where you can buy cheap things    launch an inquiry = start an investigation    a sweatshop = a place where people work and are exploited    sever ties = stop relationships    a supplier = someone who sells goods for shops    issue a statement = declare

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2144677/Banksy-Diamond-Jubilee-graffiti-sweatshop-boy-appears-overnight-Poundland-wall.html>