

Spring Term 2024

## Information for Parents and Carers

Spring Term – Year 5

Friday 5th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! Please read on for some important dates and information about your child's learning this term. On the next page you will see an outline of the learning that the classes will be covering in the Spring Term.

### **Core subjects overview:**

In **Maths**, we will continue to learn about multiplication, division, and move on from our learning about fractions in the Autumn term. We will cover our first unit for year 5 in decimals and percentages as well as complete learning about perimeter area and statistics.

In **English**, we will be studying a number of genres that link to our topic. We have begun our term reading *Flooded* by Marcus Sedgwick and will use this text as inspiration to write a narrative. Across the term we will read: *Our House is on fire* by Jeanette Winter as well as *Hot like Fire* by Valerie Bloom, *Flood* by Alvaro F. Villa and *Skellig* by David Almond. We will write a variety of text types from explanation, to non-chronological report, recounts and narratives of many kinds. We have a lot of great English ahead of us!

### **PE Times:**

**Acatenango:** Monday and Wednesday

**Fitz Roy:** Monday and Thursday

**Shenandoah:** Monday and Thursday

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit (*white top, navy/black bottoms and trainers*) on PE days and bear in mind that most PE sessions will be outside.



### **Homework and Reading**

All children should have a reading book in school daily and read each night for at least 20 minutes.

Homework will be sent via Google Classroom each **Friday**. This will include spellings, Maths Sheets and Times Tables Rock Stars times tables practice. Children will also receive a project linked to their Geography each term. We would appreciate your support in encouraging your child to read and complete their homework.

### **Sharing Assembly:**

**Acatenango:** 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Fitz Roy:** 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Shenandoah:** 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### **Term dates:**

We break up for half term at 2:30pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Children return to school on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. We break up for the Easter holiday at 2:30pm on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

The Millfields Mag is sent via email each Friday. Please read it with your child so that you can keep up to date with what is happening at school. Teachers will also post a summary of learning on Google Classroom each week.

If you have any questions about your child's learning or any aspect of school life, please e-mail [info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk) or contact the class teacher directly via email.

Kind Regards

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**Our Changing World**



**How and why is the geography of the UK changing?**

**Science**

**Properties and changes of materials**

**Earth and Space**

**History**

We will be completing on a study of the UK and taking part in local fieldwork.

**Computing**

**Understanding how Networks work and multimedia news report presentation.**

**ESafety** - online relationships and reputation

**Art**

**Artists:** Hokusai and JMW Turner  
**Outcome:** Children will create prints and collages inspired by these artists

**Creative Week**

**PE and Games**

**Personal Best and Gymnastics**



**Yoga and Football**

**RE**

**Sikhism** – What are some of the beliefs and values of Sikhism?

**Judaism** – What can we learn from the past?

**Wow Trip:** Sikh Gurdwara TBC

**DT**

**Mechanical systems:**  
Pop up book



**PSHE and Citizenship**

Zones of Regulation  
Understanding Emotions

**Healthy Lifestyles:**  
Addictive substance awareness

**Music**

**Musical Focus:** “West Side Story”

**Famous Composers** – Beethoven & Bach

**Charanga:** Rap and R&B  
Fresh Prince

**Pop Unit:** Make you feel my love

**Spanish**

**My city and my neighbourhood**

**The Planets**

**Themed Week**

**Hispanic Week**

WB 3<sup>rd</sup> January

**Creative Week**

WB 5<sup>th</sup> February

**Children’s Mental Health Day**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**Book Week**

WB 4<sup>th</sup> March

**STEAM Week**

WB 25<sup>th</sup> March

**Dress-Up Days**

**Hispanic Week Dress-Up**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January

**World Book Day**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

**Rock Your Socks!**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March

**Superheroes**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

**Other dates to remember**

**Sibling Photos**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

**Safer Internet Day**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

**Creative Evening**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February

**Parents Evening**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

**STEAM Week London Day Trip**

TBC