

# Millfields Mag

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## It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

We are almost at the end of term and it certainly feels a lot like Christmas already with all our wonderful performances and concerts this week, and Christmas Lunch today.

Firstly, a huge well done to our girls football team last week for playing brilliantly in the group stages of the Borough 5-A-Side Tournament. They won all their matches and will be playing in the grand final in February 2025. Well done to Alina, Iris B, Iris J, Mia, Rose, Rosie, Safi and Tiana and big thanks to Izaak and Sharon for organising! Also, Congratulations are in order for the Y5 and Y6 cyclists who took part in the Roller Challenge yesterday. Millfields children were way ahead of the rest and clocked some of the best scores! Well done team Millfields. Thanks to Nishie and also to parents, Juliet and Clemmie for your help on the day!

A huge 'thank you' and 'well done' to all of the parents from the PSA and the wider parent group who worked so hard to pull off an absolutely **amazing Christmas Fair** last week! The playground was truly transformed into a magical Christmas wonderland with lovely food, drinks, games, craft stalls, karaoke and of course Santa's Grotto! We had some big hits at the Fair this year, including Y6 enterprise stalls, a candy floss machine adding to the sugar highs, lots of new food stalls and a photo booth for all our Xmas snaps. The atmosphere was so lovely and the event was enjoyed by everyone who came along! A huge 'thank you' to all the committee and the many wonderful volunteers - too many individuals to mention, who were in school from early morning setting up, and for those clearing up at the end. Thank you to all of you who came along to support the school event. Also, well done to all the choir children for bringing some festive cheer to the whole event. I can announce that we made more than a massive **£9,500!** This is a significant amount of cash and the whole event was a great success - a wonderful Millfields community event Thank you - you are all truly amazing!

This week, we enjoyed the wonderful singing and performing by the three Y2 classes who put on the nativity: 'Hosanna Rocks', and the three Year 1 classes who put on a traditional nativity! The children (and staff) worked so hard on their singing and acting skills, so I was really pleased to see so many parents and families come along to enjoy the shows! Thank you for coming, and I think you will agree each performance was a huge success! Memories made for sure! A huge 'thank you' to all the children and staff in Y1 and Y2, as well as Roz and Tom who provided the musical direction!

Well done to all the KS2 choir and instrumentalists, who took part in the evening concert on Thursday. A big 'thank you' to St James Church for letting us use the venue this week and next. The evening concert was such a lovely occasion with very talented children singing and playing - definitely lifted our mood! Big thanks to the Music Team - Roz, Tom, Lucciano, Harrison, Sam, Gertrude and Lawrence! Thank you to all of you for supporting your children and for joining in with the festive spirit.

The Y1 - Y6 Concerts are taking place next week, and will be in St James Church on Lower Clapton Road. The concerts are one year group only, and each class will sing 2 songs, and a couple of songs altogether, so they will be short and sweet! Please look at the information that has been sent out via text to remind you of days and times, as well as information on Google Classroom about the clothes/colours that children need to wear for their concert. Nursery and Reception classes will be in school on Monday 16th December at 9am and 11am - if you can make the later performance it would be appreciated as the early one gets very busy and crowded!

Today, it was the whole school Christmas Lunch and the children had a lovely festive time in the hall with music, party hats, glitter, sparkle and party clothes, for a Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings. Thank you to all the kitchen staff- the dinner was delicious, and thanks to all the staff who helped to set, clear and serve the children.

We will be preparing the Christmas Food Hampers on Tuesday 17th December, ahead of distribution on the Wednesday. If you have any more non-perishable festive and luxury foods - mince pies, fruit pies, tinned fish, tinned fruit, cakes, biscuits, chocolate, savoury snacks including crisps, custard or other desserts, we would be very grateful. Many thanks to all the parents who have contributed so far - it is very much appreciated.

If you are not going to be in school for any reason that is not an illness, please make sure that you have requested permission by emailing [info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk) and ask for a Leave Request Form. This can also be found on the school website under Attendance. All leave is not automatically granted, so please make sure you make a request in good time, and do not book any travel until it has been authorised.

We have our traditional London Day trips next week, and there are also lots of cinema trips (Y1, Y2 and Y4). Please make payment for the cinema if you have not already done it -thank you. A reminder that the **end of term - next Friday 20th December** is also Christmas Jumper day with donations of £1 on the gate for 'Save the Children'. **School finishes at 1pm/1:15pm** on the last day of term. **There are no after school clubs on the last day of term.**

Finally, have a good weekend - remember to wrap up warm. Take care and stay well. Jane

### Important Dates

**Christmas Jumper Day**

**Friday 20 December**

**Last day of Term**

**Friday 20th December**

**(School finishes at 1:00/1:15pm)**

**Start of Spring Term**

**Monday 6th January**

### Word of the Week

**GELID**

First used in 1600-10

From the Latin *gelidus*, "icy cold"

*adjective*

very cold; icy

E.g.: A *gelid* breeze swept through the city, signalling the arrival of winter.

The hikers shivered in the *gelid* air as they climbed higher up the mountain

### Tuck Shop

Thank you to Olympus Class for organising the last tuck shop before the Christmas Fair. Amount raised was a

delicious

**£123.85**

Thank you everyone for all of your support!





Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays this and last week :

- 30th November ~ Hollie H
- 1st December ~ Joely W
- 2nd December ~ Oskar D
- 3rd December ~ Isaiah O & Shirley W
- 4th December ~ Cinco C & Olive M
- 5th December ~ Mohamad A, Noah C & Yaaseen U
- 7th December ~ Talia P, Tiana P & Anu T
- 8th December ~ Zainab A, Oona E & Inigo F,
- 9th December ~ Khadijah G & Alba S
- 10th December ~ Ruby A
- 11th December ~ Noah H & Leonard W,
- 12th December ~ Ahyan A
- 13th December ~ Frida V & Donna R

Many Happy Returns to you ALL!



## Is anyone thinking of a Bike for Christmas?

One of our smashing parents, Mick, Ellie's Dad runs a cycle shop: <https://bicyclebox.co.uk/>

Below is a link to his bike shop Facebook page where it is currently running this post:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1XW4LiGgyu/?mibextid=WC7FNe>

Mick has promised to give 10% of every sale straight back to school funds. Parents would need to collect the bikes from Tottenham at the shop, situated at 187 Philip Lane, or they could be delivered for a small fee of £15.

Parents need to email the shop directly at [n17cycles@gmail.com](mailto:n17cycles@gmail.com) or message via the Facebook page and also need to pay a 50% deposit when they order. The bikes are cheaper than RRP with the added benefit of helping the School! If there's any takers, it's a win-win.



Date	Class
Friday 20th Dec	Fuji (Yr3)
END OF	TERM

### PSA After-school

### Tuck Shops — Autumn 2024

We always need people to volunteer time to run the stall on the day and will need lots of donations of food on the day. Just take your food to the office on the day of your stall. Please remember that all food must be nut free to comply with school policy.

## WINTER-CONCERTS-2024

**Monday 16th December -- School Middle Hall**

**Early-Years-Sharing-Concerts**

Mersey, Shannon, Trent, Lea & Thames 9am & 11am

**Tuesday 17th December -- St James Church**

**Yr5-Sharing-Concert** (Acatenango, Fitz-Roy, Shenandoah) 9.45am

**Yr4-Sharing-Concert** (Ganges, Mekong, Yangtze) 11.00am

**Wednesday 18th December -- St James Church**

**Yr2-Sharing-Concert** (Douro, Nile, Zambezi) 9.30am

**Yr6-Sharing-Concert** (Mississippi, Orinoco, Yukon) 11.15am

**Thursday 19th December -- St James Church**

**Yr1-Sharing-Concert** (Kilimanjaro, Karisimbi, Olympus) 9.30am

**Yr3-Sharing-Concert** (Ararat, Fuji, Annapurna) 11.15am

Age 4-16 years



Free for pupils on means-tested Free School Meals (Hackney and out of borough)

# CHRISTMAS PLAYScheme

FRI 27, MON 30, TUES 31 DECEMBER & THURS 2 JANUARY  
10:00AM - 2:00PM

ART & CRAFTS  
DANCE, COOKING CLUB  
SPORTS & GAMES,  
ICE-SKATING AND MORE..  
Plus a nutritious lunch cooked fresh every day

FREE Food Boxes for Families

VENUE:  
BENTHAL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
BENTHAL ROAD LONDON N16 7AU

BOOK BY FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER  
OFFICE@BENTHAL.HACKNEY.SCH.UK  
020 8985 9310

In partnership with 

## Hackney Girls Rugby Day




Want to be part of the best team in the world?

Come along and give **non-contact** rugby a go in a fun & friendly club!

A FREE event for All Girls, all abilities, ages 4 to 17

15th December  
11am - 4pm

Train with stars of the women's game then watch

**Hackney Women vs Havant RFC**

Festive food, fun activities

Hackney RFC  
Recreation Ground  
Spring Hill  
E5 9BL




Inclusive fun, friendly and respectful



### RECEPTION APPLICATIONS REMINDER

Please do not forget to apply for your child's September 2025 Reception place. If you have a child born between 01.09.20-31.08.21 they are eligible to start Reception in September 2025.

The deadline for this application is **JANUARY 15th 2025**. Applications can be done now. Please apply via the admission website: [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

If you require any assistance with this application please speak to a member of staff.



## MILLFIELDS RECEPTION SCHOOL TOUR DATES





You are invited to join our Reception school tours that will take place on the following Fridays at 9.40am

**10th January 2025**

[Please click here to book a ticket](#)

# Christmas at Millfield



# TERM DATES CURRENT YEAR

Millfields Community School Term Dates 2024-25

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16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Inset Days
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# NEXT YEAR

Millfields Community School Term Dates 2025-26

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	22	26	24	25	26	27	28	Bank Holidays
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2 inset days still to allocate



# Millfields VIPs



**K91**



**LK92**

**OK92**

