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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Welcome back to everyone at the Millfields -pupils, children and staff. A special welcome to all our new reception class children and parents/carers and other new starters throughout the school. I hope you have had a good summer break, and enjoyed time with friends and family.

Welcome also to all our new staff; Lilly –SENCo, Fintan, Kamilah, Kimberlie, Rosie and Alex—teachers, Donna –Main receptionist, Micpia –Catering Assistant, Keder –Y3 trainee teacher, and Support Staff – Christina. I am also pleased to let you know that Deputy Head Kate had a baby boy and Lucia, Y1 teacher also had a baby boy in August. Congratulations to both families.

All the children seem happy and settled in their new classes with their new teachers and they have quickly learnt new routines. They all seem to be enjoying working in new classrooms, and enjoying the first week's learning.

I am delighted to say that in July, after a very intense day's visit, the school was re-accredited with Unicef Level 2 'Rights Respecting School' status. As a result, we have started the school year by celebrating this achievement and each class have been discussing the UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) and the class have agreed and signed their new Class Charter. This year the whole school will be focussing on 5 articles from the UNCRC. They are as follows: **Article 12:** respect for the views of the child, **Article 14:** freedom of thought, belief and religion, **Article 17:** access to information from the media, **Article 24:** health and health services, **Article 31:** leisure, play and culture.

Each class has also been revisiting behaviour for learning expectations –supporting and actively listening to each other, discussing and explaining ideas and taking responsibility for their own learning. As always, the children are learning about the city that their class is named after and doing some work on the city's twin city. All of the homework that has been completed over the summer that I have seen is amazing. There are some fantastic models, great booklets, posters and artefacts –well done everyone! The home learning will be displayed in the class and around the school for everyone to see!

As part of a whole school competition, the children have been learning lots of facts, figures and trivia about their class city which will be transformed in to a very informative and decorative classroom door! The children have also taken part in an class activity to launch their new topic and WOW trips to enthuse and encourage learning around new topics will be taking place next week. If you have not yet returned the 'cover all' trips and outings letter, please do so ASAP along with £10 contribution. There are additional copies of all letters available at the main office.

The Year Group welcome meetings are taking place next week –you should have received a flyer telling you which day your class meeting takes place, and the information is also on the website. These sessions are an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher and find out what they will be learning in school and what a day in the life of a child in that year group looks like. There will also be some handy tips about how you can support your child at home.

Thank you to all of you - parents and carers for making such a great effort with school uniform. All of the children are looking rested and refreshed and extremely smart in their new uniforms. A reminder that children should be wearing black or navy sensible shoes and please, no tops with hoods.

Please remember to look for information on the school noticeboards, on the digital screen in the playground, on the school website, via text or email, as well as on the Millfields Mag. If you have not let the office know your email address or you have recently changed your mobile phone number please let them know asap.

There will be an information update form coming home with each child in the next week to ensure that we have all the correct information. This weekend is the Thames Festival, and if you have never been before, it is well worth visiting the many activities that take place along the South Bank, and also an opportunity to come to the Scoop outside City Hall where Millfields Choir will join lots of other school choirs from across London to sing as part of the festival.

Finally, it is really important that children get in to class on time and begin their daily routine. From Monday 11th, all classes Y1 –Y6 will be able to come in to school from 8.45am –a soft start. Please note that if you arrive after 9am, you will be marked late.

I hope you have a good weekend. Best Wishes, Jane

Important Dates

E Safety Day

Thursday 14th September

Maths Week

25th—29th September

No Pens Day

Wednesday 4th October

Local Democracy Week

9th—13th October

Diversity Week

16th—20th October

Half Term

23rd—27th October

PLEASE NOTE:

Do not leave your child unsupervised in the playground before 8:45am. Any pupils found before this time will be placed in Breakfast Club and parents will be charged. When picking children up after school, please leave the playground promptly before 15:40.



Reminder:

Head Teachers Surgery

Weds 13th Sept 2-3pm

School Tours

Fri 29th Sept 09:45am

Fri 6th Oct 09:45am

Fri 13th Oct 09:45am

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/what-we-do/un-convention-child-rights/>



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

- 1st September ~ Isabelle Bates
- 2nd September ~ Jennay Crawford
- 3rd September ~ Isabelle de Ste Croix
- 4th September ~ Alex Kandossi & Sonny Green
- 5th September ~ Jasmine Pennington, Ariane Kedidi Lusaretta
Mia Mosconi-Griffiths, Jaynaih Nixon-Peart
& Faith Taylor
- 6th September ~ Abdur Muzzammel
- 7th September ~ Niamh Devlin, Anyinor Nlemadim, Orion Pillai
& Sardier Kaur
- 8th September ~ Farah Ahmad

Many happy returns to you all!

Welcome Meetings

Year 1: Tuesday 12th September at 3pm

(Liverpool – Kimberlie, York – Angela, Manchester – Ashraf)

Year 2: Monday 18th September at 3pm

(Nottingham – Bruno, Derby – Rachel, Leeds – Alex)

Year 3: Friday 15th September at 3pm

(Birmingham – Emma, Oxford – Dorothy, Sheffield – Rosie)

Year 4: Wednesday 13th September at 3pm

(Canterbury – Naomi, Portsmouth – Alice, Winchester – Blaitthin)

Year 5: Wednesday 20th September at 3pm

(Dundee – Matthew, Glasgow – Judyann, Newcastle – Mehmet)

Year 6: Monday 11th September at 3pm

(Bristol – Kingsley, Swansea – Alex and Exeter – Fintan)

**Reception Classes will have a meeting later in September once the children have settled as the parents and pupils have had home visits.*

SHARING ASSEMBLIES - AUTUMN TERM 2017

Date (Friday)	EY and KS1 (Bottom Hall @ 9.10am)		LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am)	
22/09/17				Glasgow (Judyann's Class)
29/09/17			Birmingham (Emma's Class)	
06/10/17		Nottingham (Bruno's Class)		Swansea (Alex's Class)
13/10/17			Portsmouth (Alice's Class)	
20/10/17		Derby (Rachel's Class)		Dundee (Matthew's Class)
HALF TERM				
03/11/17	Edinburgh (Rana's Class)		Winchester (Naomi's Class)	
10/11/17		Manchester (Ashraf's Class)		Bristol (Kingsley's Class)
17/11/17	South London (Teague's Class)		Oxford (Dorothy's Class)	
24/11/17		York (Angela's Class)		Newcastle (Mehmet's Class)
01/12/17	Cardiff (Joy's Class)		Canterbury (Blaitthin's Class)	
Week Beginning 04/12/17	Year 2 Nativity Performances			
Week Beginning 11/12/17	Winter Concerts			

PSA After-school Tuck Shops — Autumn 2017

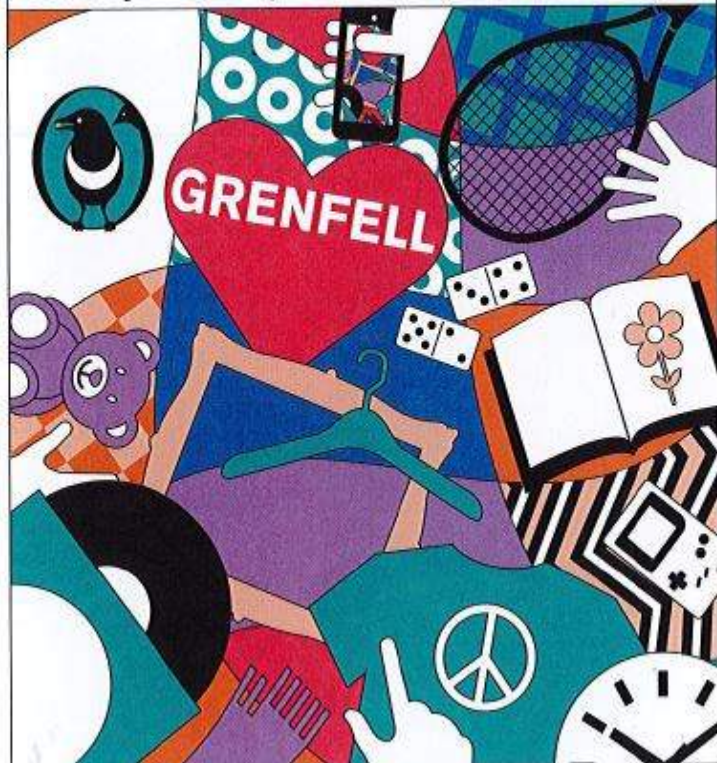
We always need people to volunteer time to run the stall on the day and will need lots of donations of food on the day. Just take your food to the office on the day of your stall. Please remember that all food must be nut free to comply with school policy.

Date	Class
Friday 15th Sept	Nottingham
Friday 22nd Sept	Leeds
Friday 29th Sept	Sheffield
Friday 6th Oct	Oxford
Friday 13th Oct	Birmingham
Friday 20th Oct	Portsmouth
HALF TERM	
Friday 3rd Nov	Canterbury
Friday 10th Nov	Winchester
Friday 17th Nov	Year 5
Friday 24th Nov	Year 6
Friday 1st Dec	Belfast
Friday 8th Dec	Cardiff
Friday 15th Dec	Edinburgh
Thursday 21st Dec	Cycle Club

CLAPTON Grenfell Fundraiser

JUMBLE TRAIL

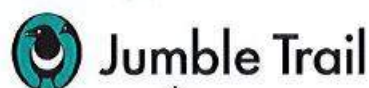
Sunday 24th September 2017 11am-4pm



jumbletrail.com/event/clapton2017

@jumbletrail #clapton #grenfellfundraiser

Clapton Jumble Trail



CLAPTON 2017

Follow the trail and hunt for hidden treasures

Sunday 24th Sept 2017
11am-4pm

For a map of the trail, more information or to register your own stall visit:

jumbletrail.com/event/clapton2017



A Jumble Trail is like a jumble sale but on your street. Come together with your community to set up stalls outside your houses, selling bric-a-brac, toys, pre-loved clothes, cakes, you name it!

All profits will go towards helping those affected by the Grenfell Tower fire.

THE VOICE KIDS 2018
APPLY NOW!

The Voice Kids is returning to ITV in 2018 and we are looking for super talented singers who have what it takes to take over The Voice Kids stage

If you know any 7 to 14 year olds who want their voices to be heard, we want to hear from you!

For more information about how to enter go to itv.com/thevoicekidsuk or stv.tv

Applications close on **SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER 2017**
We reserve the right to extend the closing date at our discretion

Terms and conditions apply

PARENT/CARER WORKSHOPS –supporting your child at home

Autumn Term 2017

Date	Workshop	Staff Lead
14.9.17	E-safety	Vicki Noakes
26.9.17	Maths in Y5 and Y6 (9.30am)	Keli Tawiah and Mathew Otto
27.9.17	Maths in Y1 and Y2 (9.30am)	Keli Tawiah and Vicki Wood
28.9.17	Maths in Y3 and Y4 (9.30am)	Keli Tawiah and Emma Ruane
5.10.17	Early Reading in Reception (9.30am)	Rana Mazrani
12.10.17	Cookery session -healthy eating (2pm)	Leea Williams and team
HALF TERM		
1.11.17	Y1 and Y2 phonics and spelling (9.30am)	Debi Cookhorn and Vicki Wood
8.11.17	Cookery session -healthy eating (6pm)	Leea Williams and team
22.11.17	Spelling in KS2	Debi Cookhorn

Mobile Phones in School

Please note:

- ◆ Pupils remain responsible for all of their personal effects whilst at school. Mobile phones are not allowed in school. The school takes no responsibility for mobile phones and accepts no responsibility for replacing lost, stolen or damaged mobile phones.
- ◆ There is no reason why a pupil needs to have in their possession or use a mobile phone during the school day.
- ◆ Parents are reminded that in cases of emergency the school office remains a vital and appropriate point of contact and can ensure your child is reached quickly and assisted in any appropriate way.
- ◆ Pupils are advised that, if in exceptional circumstances agreed by the Headteacher, they bring a mobile phone onto the school grounds during the school day, the phone should be handed in to the school office. The phone can be collected at the end of the day. The phone is stored at the owners risk and school will accept no responsibility for replacing lost, stolen or damaged phones.

Secondary School Transfer 2017

Calling all Year 6 Parents!!

If you would like support with your child's secondary school application, please make an appointment at the school office for one of the following dates:

Monday 2nd October

Monday 9th October

Thursday 19th October

The deadline for applications is the 31st October 2017.

Lateness and Attendance procedures

If your child should arrive at school late (after the 9am bell) they must be marked in at the late gate. This ensures that they are marked into the register and we know they are here in case of evacuation etc. The late gate is through the door near the bottom hall. Please do not enter through the school office unless very late as your child may not be marked present. **Please note:** no parent/carer may enter the school due to safeguarding procedures. Children will need to make their own way from the late gate to their classrooms.

If your child is unable to attend school please ensure you leave a message on the school attendance line by 8:30am on the first day of absence. This is a 24 hour message service. Please clearly state your child's name, class and the reason for their absence. We operate a first day of absence calling system whereby if your child is absent and it hasn't been explained we will call you to ask for an explanation.

It is our duty as a school to ensure good attendance of all pupils. Any children whose attendance or punctuality is of concern will be referred to the Hackney Learning Trust Attendance officer for further support. Our attendance has always been very good and we would like to thank you all for your support in ensuring your child attends school regularly and punctually.

School Uniform

Thank you to everyone who has made a concerted effort to dress in correct school uniform. The children have been really well turned out and it shows a real pride in our school. Just a reminder that the school's suppliers are:

www.yourschooluniform.com

for online purchases

Or:

Crossbow Schoolwear

31 Broadway Market,

London E8 4PH

Tel: 020 7923 9313

www.trutexhackney.com

Please make sure that all items of clothing are labelled

Have a look at www.stamptastic.co.uk if you don't want to iron or sew labels into your child's clothing.

Safer Internet Training

Let's create a better internet together

Parents E- Safety Workshops
Thursday 14th September 2017

Be smart
on the
internet



9-10am
Book your place
at the office
today

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"You are BRAVER
than you believe,
STRONGER
than you seem,
and SMARTER
than you think."

- CHRISTOPHER ROBIN