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Learning at Millfields

Firstly I would like to say how amazed and proud I am of the Millfields community for the fantastic fund-raising effort for one of our families this week. Frank, who is in Year 4, sud-denly lost his father this week, and we have been raising money to help support the family at this very sad and difficult time. A massive thank you to everyone who has donated via the Just Giving page so far.<u>https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/franksdad?utm_term=WjgrvkKmD</u>

I know that Frank's mum and extended family are so very grateful for all your thoughts, prayers and support.

In class, the children have continued to work on influential and famous people as part of Black History Month topics. In Early Years classes, they have been learning about musicians via the book series 'Little People, Big Dreams'. They have listened to music from and read stories about Ella Fitzgerald among others. Year 1, the children have been reading 'Mae among the stars', a book about Mae Jemison, who was the first African American woman to travel in space. The children showed me their brilliant biography writing about Mae. Year 2 has been reading, 'The Bus Ride' that tells the story of Rosa Parks. The children shared their thoughts about the book with me and celebrated the fact that by standing up for her rights. Rosa Parks became known as "the mother of the civil rights movement". Today I was talking to Year 3 children about their timelines, as they have been reading 'Long walk to Freedom' celebrating the life of Nelson Mandela. Year 4 has been learning about Jesse Owens, who was the first American track and field athlete to win four gold medals at a single Olympic Games. Year 5 read ' March On' that follows the journey of Martin Luther King Jr and his famous 'I Have a Dream' speech that was delivered on August 28, 1963, during the March on Washington for civil and economic rights for African Americans. Year 6 has been reading all about Marshall 'Major' Taylor who was the world's first black sports superstar. He was world cycling champion in 1899. The conversations, debates and discussion in every class I have visited has been so intelligent, considered and respectful. Please talk to your children about their learning this week.

To celebrate the end of Black History Month, the whole school is being encouraged to dress up as part of a non-uniform day on Friday 23rd October. We will be wearing red clothes for 'Show Racism the Red Card'. £1 donations will be collected at each gate on Friday morning.

Thank you for your continued support during these difficult and challenging times for us all. Your cooperation with social distancing at the gates and around the school, wearing masks and encouraging your child/ren to leave for home promptly are helping us to minimise risk. In school we continue to operate in bubbles, and children are social distancing at lunchtime, and are washing and sanitising hands, what feels like all day!! As London has now moved to Tier 2, we would encourage you to talk to your children about what this means in terms of going to friend's houses after school and at the weekend. Next week, we will be talking to them about playing outside more, and making the most of all the local area has to offer outdoors over half term. Please assure them that this isn't forever! (We all hope!)

Please note that Monday 2nd November is an INSET Day. Children will be back in school on Tuesday 3rd November. Have a good weekend. Take care, stay well and keep safe. Jane.



Important Dates

Non-uniform Day Friday 23rd October Half-Term 26th-30th October INSET Day Monday 2nd November Outdoor Day Friday 6th November Virtual Work Week 16th –20th November

Attendance Week beg: 28th Sept

Our school target: 96.5% Last week: **98%**

Winning classes: KS1 Lowry & Tarrant (100%) KS2 Berners Lee, Dunlop & Anning (100%) *Well done!*





The Eco-Champs and Road Safety Champs from Years 3 to 6 had an anti idling presentation yesterday. As a result we are running a competition to make an anti idling poster that, if chosen, would be put on our school banner outside. All entries must be received by Friday 23rd October 2020. Have fun!





	VIRTUAL	SHARING ASSEMBL	IES - AUTUMN TERM 2020	
Date (Week Beginning)	EY and KS1		LKS2 and UKS2	
19/10/2020			Jones (Naomi's Class)	
		HALF T	ERM	
02/11/2020		Brown (Rosie H's Class)		Curie (Clara's Class)
09/11/2020	Hutchins (Rana's Class)		Berners-Lee (Fiona's Class)	
16/11/2020		Whiteread (Angela's Class)		Turing (Emily's Class)
23/11/2020	Cooke (Cheniece's Class)		Dunlop (Rosie M & Roz's Class)	
30/11/2020		Lowry (Kamilah's Class)		Faraday (Sumon's Class)
07/12/2020	Virtual Year 2 Nativity Plays			
14/12/2020	KS1, LKS2 & UKS2 Winter Concerts			

