

# Millfields Mag

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## We Wish you a Merry C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S!



Firstly, a huge 'thank you' to the whole school community who have been bringing in food and toiletries donations for the Christmas Hampers over the last few weeks. We have been overwhelmed by your individual and collective generosity - thank you so much! Thank you also to Natoon and to CarryMe Bikes CIC who are based at the Round Chapel, for their help and support too. Staff will be in school tomorrow to finish making up the hampers and delivering them to families. Please click the link: <https://youtu.be/KuZCjuzrVRo>

The donations have helped make up some lovely hampers for our families, as well as a box of cakes and sweets for Acorn

Lodge Care Home who were delighted that we had thought of them. You are all truly amazing!

Christmas at Millfields usually means music, singing, busking and choirs out on the streets, as well as all the other busyness! However, even though this was not possible in the usual guise this year, due to the Covid guidelines, we did manage to put together a Music Concert for each age-phase, as well as online Zoom concerts for instrumentalists and choir members. We kept the Millfields musical Christmas magic alive! Thanks to the Music Team - Roz, Tom, Jack, Celia, Simeon and Lawrence for making it happen! I hope you have had a chance to watch them via the links sent on email. If not, there will also be a link on the school website. In addition, due to Covid, we have lost the normal income that we generate by collecting donations for concerts and selling refreshments, so if you would like to make a donation towards music at Millfields, please do go on SCOPAY and donate by choosing "Donations" in the next week.

The Y2 Nativity performances were also done in a different form this year - the Y2 teachers all staged their own shows in class - the children and staff worked hard, as did you, helping them learn their lines! The links for each class should have reached you by now if you are a Y2 parent/carer, so enjoy. We also shared the nativity and Y1 & Y2 Concert with the residents of Mary Seacole Nursing Home who were delighted to see and hear the children! We also had a different Christmas Lunch this year, not quite the busy and mad day that it usually is, but we had a lovely festive time in the hall with music, party hats, glitter, sparkle and Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings. Thank you to all the kitchen staff - the dinner was delicious!

Today, we said goodbye and good luck to Clara who is going on maternity leave - we will keep you updated with any news! With that, we have welcomed Ben Pahari, who will be covering Curie Class during her leave. Also today, we said a sad farewell to Chris M - Y6 TA who is returning to Brazil. I know you will all join me in wishing her the best of luck in her new adventure!

Finally, thank you for all your support during this challenging term for us all. The children, staff and families have all worked together, through tough times - in school and online, to help us get through this term with good humour and some degree of normality! Thank you everyone. Your kind words, gifts, thumbs ups and daily friendly waves, nods and hellos, all mean so much to us all!

Just a reminder that school starts back for children on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Take care, keep well and stay safe.

Best Wishes for a restful holiday and have a good break. Jane



### Important Dates

**First Day of Spring Term**

**Monday 4th January**

**Tech Free Tuesday**

**Tuesday 19th January**

**Creative Week**

**25th—29th January**

**Safer Internet Day**

**Tuesday 9th February**

**Hispanic Week**

**8th - 12th February**

**Hispanic Dress-Up Day**

**Friday 12th February**

**Half Term**

**15th—19th Feb**

### Attendance

#### Week beg: 7th Dec

Our school target: 96.5%

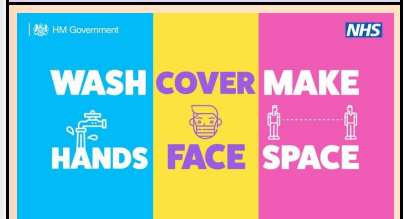
Last week: **96.8%**

Winning classes:

KS1 Hepworth (99.6%)

KS2 Jones (100%)

**Well done!**






Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays this week and will do so over the Christmas break:

- 11th December ~ Bo B, Leonardo I & Daniel D
- 12th December ~ Dominic M
- 13th December ~ Frida V & Donna R
- 14th December ~ Joseph C & Joaquin D
- 15th December ~ Ryan B
- 16th December ~ Wael M & Connie T
- 17th December ~ Rayan G & Freida K
- 19th December ~ Arthur K & Marie-Louise P
- 20th December ~ Farhaan H & Glen T
- 21st December ~ Edward M & Diarmuid R
- 22nd December ~ Django B, Eesa M, George O, Lakhdeep S & Ifeoma U
- 23rd December ~ Metin A & Loza T,
- 24th December ~ Esther C, Sofia C, Aydin G & Amaanah R
- 25th December ~ Gabriella D, Tova H, Mila R & Ernestina B
- 26th December ~ Kareem M
- 27th December ~ Safira A, Sarah F, Zaina H, Ellie M & Esther N
- 28th December ~ Perseus G, Filip J, Oliver R & Inaya Z
- 30th December ~ Zamzam A, Bukie O & Sharon K
- 31st December ~ Tia-Elise A
- 1st January ~ Dexter M

Many Happy Returns to you ALL!

**LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH**

December	Makaton
Word to Learn: Please	 Please

A very Merry Christmas from all the staff at Millfields

<https://youtu.be/SFCBMuTg4X0>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Plm7AoEOMY>



**MHST** NHS East London NHS Foundation Trust

**Parent/Carer Workshop**

**Helping children to manage their thoughts, feelings and behaviour**

Hackney Mental Health Support Team (MHST) are offering one-off workshops for parents and carers of City & Hackney primary school children.

This one off workshop will teach you evidence-based positive parenting strategies for helping children to regulate their emotions and behaviours

This workshop will include:

- What is emotion regulation?
- Why is it important?
- How emotions influence behaviour
- What parents/carers can do to help

The group will be delivered via Zoom.

Book on to the workshop using the Eventbrite links below:

**Workshop for 11th December:**  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-children-to-manage-their-thoughts-feelings-and-behavior-tickets-130406163345>

**Workshop for 18th December:**  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-children-to-manage-their-thoughts-feelings-and-behaviour-tickets-130412761079>

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[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/millfieldscs/?invite=EXAUP7%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm\\_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm\\_content=srt](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/millfieldscs/?invite=EXAUP7%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm_content=srt)

notonthehighstreet, Pandora, Harvey Nichols, Argos and many more have increased donations and other offers on their top gifts! Shop all gifts here:

<http://efraising.org/5KwJKUsyxH>

**Direct Debit Donations Programme**

If you would like to support the school with a monthly donation to the PSA, you can find out more about the 3 special funds and make your donation here:

RENEW: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8204>

ENRICH: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8205>

INSPIRE: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8206>

# Confidence Building Fun

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Katie's parents' evening  
that her confidence  
in class seems to  
have grown so I am  
delighted. Jane Spurgeon

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#### Perform Stoke Newington

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#### Perform Haggerston

Mondays at 4pm  
St Michaels Church, Lansdowne Drive, Haggerston, London, E8 3ER

#### Perform Victoria Park

Thursdays at 4pm  
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