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**Business As Usual at Millfields** 



I cannot believe that we are at the end of another week already! The children have been very busy and definitely look and sound like they are enjoying their learning. The new children in the Nursery are beginning to settle much more quickly in the mornings, and the Reception children are already superstars at lining up, saying goodbye and going into class, happy and ready to learn. Thank you parents for helping this to happen! One area of the curriculum that I know that all the children are enjoying is PE with our PE coach Nana. They are also enjoying outdoor PE in the playground and at the park with their teachers

and other support staff. We love all sports at Millfields, and are pleased to see so many children signed up for multi-sports, football, cycling, archery and cricket after school. We also have competitive team sports starting to happen again across Hackney schools, so watch this space for news on the cycling league and football events in the first instance. In fact, this Saturday, we have 5 children trying out for the Hackney District football trials -thanks to Sharon for organising and good luck!

Thank you for sending your child into school wearing their PE kits on the days that their class has PE, it works really well. A reminder however, that football shirts should not be worn, so please try to wear a blue or white t-shirt and dark shorts.

Thank you to all the parents who have attended the class/year group 'Welcome Meetings' via Zoom this week. I know that we would have all loved to have the meetings in person again, but I feel that it is still a little too soon to have so many people in school again, especially as we have had 6 positive Covid cases reported this week across the school, and I hear that numbers in Hackney are rising. I do know, from lots of positive feedback that many of you have found them useful, and that the presentation has been sent out to those who were unable to attend, but if there is anything else that you need to ask or want to know more about, please do email the class teacher, Age-phase Leader or one of the Senior Leaders, and we would be happy to help! However, please note that teachers cannot always reply to emails immediately, but will try to respond in a timely manner, plus there is lots of the information you may need on the school website that is regularly updated.

We are aware that there are some teething problems with the organisation and logistics of the new after-school clubs, but please bear with us as we try to work out the best way forward for all the children and parents concerned. Thank you to the vast majority of you for supporting us.

Please note the dates of our Sharing Assemblies that will be starting on 1st October with Riley and Faraday Classes. For our new parents, there are 2 Sharing Assemblies each year, so the youngest classes tend to be in the Spring and Summer terms. The two assemblies run at the same time in different halls first thing in the morning. This year, we will be inviting 2 parents/carers per child to come to watch the assembly that showcases some of the work that the children have been doing. On Tuesday 21st September, we have professional photographers in school to take individual school photos. On this day, please wear school uniform, and shoes even if it is PE, and bring PE

clothes with you. Unfortunately, we will not be able to facilitate family group photos this year.

Finally, we are getting familiar with using Google Classroom again!. We will be using this platform for all classes and learning, behaviour and information communication as well as online learning. If you are in Nursery or Reception or a new child to the school this year, you will be receiving a letter that will explain this further and ask for your consent to allow your child to use a google email and Google Classroom. It is important that every parent completes this ASAP.

At the beginning and end of the day, please remember to make an orderly socially-distanced line when dropping off and collecting your children. Also, another plea, we need to be mindful and respectful of our school neighbours. Please do not stand in groups on the road or on the street corners, and please do not lean up against cars that are parked there. And finally, please do not park on the double yellow lines/corners of the roads as this is a danger to all our community. Thank you in advance for your support with all of this.

I hope you have a lovely weekend, take care, stay well and keep safe. Jane

### **Important Dates**

Individual School Photos Tuesday 21st September E Safety Day Friday 24th September Maths Week Week beg: 27th September Black History Month Week beg: 4th October Show Racism the Red Card Friday 22nd October Half Term 25th - 29th October

## <u>Attendance</u> Week beg: 6th Sept

Our school target: 96.5% Last week: 97.2% Winning classes: KS1 Whiteread & Hepworth (100%) KS2 Berners-Lee & Dunlop (99.3%) *Well done!* 





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

- Valeria A, James-Rhys S, Maher Z 12th September ~
- 13th September ~
- Oscar S, Eleri C Iris A
- 14th September ~ 15th September ~
  - Ella B, Ernest D, Stanley D, Jua W
- Jacob M, Anno R & Alla T 16th September ~
- 17th September ~ Rehana B

## Many happy returns to you all!

Dear Everyone in the Millfields School Community, We hope you are all well.

#### GREAT NEWS!!

After a year off, the much loved Clapton Jumble Trail is back for its 8th Year.

#### JUMBLE TRAIL?!?! WHAT'S A JUMBLE TRAIL?!?!

For one Sunday, Clapton becomes a giant yard sale - an opportunity for you to declutter, sell your old stuff, make some cash and meet your neighbours. In 2019 we had around 200 stalls and raised desperately needed funds of over £4000 in sponsorships and stall fees for our school PSA.

#### WHEN IS IT?

Sunday, September 19th, 11am – 4pm

#### HOW DO I TAKE PART?

For all information and updates go to www.claptonjumbletrail.co.uk

And follow us on Instagram www.instagram.com/claptonjumble/

Email any questions to <a href="mailto:claptonjumbletrail@gmail.com">claptonjumbletrail@gmail.com</a>

#### CAN I HELP?

Yes please! We are looking for new parents to help secure the future of this brilliant community event. If you would like to get involved, please drop us a line at

ane@anechristensen.com

Thank you Ane & Graham

Please note - Only 2 adults allowed per family due to space restrictions.				
Date (Friday)	EY and KS1 (Middle/Bottom Hall @ 9:10am)		LKS2 and UKS2 (Middle/Top Hall @ 9:10am)	
01/10/21		Riley		Faraday
		(Ashraf's Class)		(Sumon's Class)
08/10/21			Jones	
			(Naomi's Class)	
15/10/21		Hepworth		Turing
		(Jess' Class)	<u> </u>	(Emily's Class)
22/10/21			Baylis	
			(Alex/Emma's Class)	
HALF TERM				
12/11/21		Brown		Newton
		(Mia's Class)		(Theo's Class)
19/11/21			Dunlop	
			(Clara/Roz's Class)	
26/11/21		Tarrant		Anning
		(Joy's Class)		(Claire's Class)
03/12/21	EYFS (Nursery and Reception Classes) Winter Concert on Friday 3rd Dec			
Week Beginning 06/12/21	Year 2 Nativity Performances			
Week Beginning 13/12/19	KS1, LKS2 & UKS2 Winter Concerts			

**SHARING ASSEMBLIES - AUTUMN TERM 2021** 



## ...FROM THE DESK OF THE PRIME MINISTER...

Hello Millfields! welcome back!

I'm Ayla, the new Prime Minister for this year. I've already had my first meeting with Jane and can't wait to put some of our plans into action. This week, we've trialled our litter picking campaign, which was a great success! In just one morning we collected a full binbag! Moving forward, our aim is to meet Mondays and Wednesdays at 8.15am in front of the main school gate and tackle our local streets. Please come along to one of the sessions! Pupil Power! In addition, we will soon be putting up posters to launch a new newspaper – run by kids. Watch this space – we'll be looking for contributions!

See you soon,









## ...FROM THE DESK OF THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER...

Hi I'm Remi Dring, your Deputy Prime Minister and I'd like to say welcome back to school to everyone. It's been a tough couple of years but we all have come through. But anyway I hope you are enjoying the last summer and settling into your classes. Also I would love for every one (all ages) To come and litter pick with us on Mondays and Wednesdays every week. You will have to turn up to the gate at 8.15 or earlier and we would love it if you come. Lastly I'd like to say thank you to everyone who voted for us and to add on your ideas matter.













