# Millfields Mag

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## **Loving School Life at Millfields**



I cannot believe that we are at the end of another week already! The children have definitely been enjoying their learning this week, and have really liked outdoor PE in the playground and at the park. Thankfully the sun has been shining too, so the children have loved using all the new equipment. Thank you for sending your child into school wearing their PE kits on the days that their class has PE, it is working 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 Year group 'Welcome Meetings' via Zoom this week. I know from lots of positive feedback that many of you have found them useful, 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!

All of the Year Group presentations are now on the school website in case you missed the meeting or want to check anything. www.millfields.hackney.sch.uk. Please note the dates of our Virtual Sharing Assemblies - this will be a first for us!

We are trying to keep the website updated with the latest information but the guidelines and information seems to be constantly changing, so we are sending more emails and texts than we would usually, so apologies, but please try to read them all.

On that note, from Monday, we will be serving all children who are entitled to school meals and those who pay for school meals, with a hot meal every day. We currently have longer lunchtimes and half the amount of children in the hall at a time, so this will mean that some children need to have their lunch in their classroom.



We are trying to keep things as normal as we can throughout the school year, so on Tuesday next week, we are using our usual professional photographers to take individual school photos. On this day, please wear school uniform, and trainers if it is PE! Unfortunately, we will not be able to facilitate family group photos this year due to minimising risk and social distancing between bubbles in

Finally, we are getting ready for the whole school to be using Google Classroom. That will mean that if and when there is another lockdown, we will be prepared. The teachers have had two training sessions so far and the rest of this half term's training sessions will be used to build confidence in using Google Classroom effectively and ensure a smooth rollout. We will be using this platform for all classes and learning communication and online learning. In the next week or so, 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. Please remember to wear a facemask if you have one, when you

are outside the school gates, and also to make an orderly sociallydistanced 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.

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



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### **Important Dates**

TEL: 020 8985 7898

**Harvest Festival Collection** for Food Bank 21st –25th September **Outdoor Day** 

Friday 25th September **Maths Week** 

Week beg: 28th September **Black History Month** 1st October launch

**World Mental Health Day** 

Saturday 10th October

### Label! Label! Label!

One of the headaches of school life is losing possessions - and items will inevitably go astray. Please can you ensure that your child's clothing, shoes, stationary and water bottles are clearly marked to make sure that nothing gets lost as everyone's items may look identical. Due to the current situation, we cannot let parents come into school to search for belongings, so items can only be returned if they are clearly marked Thank you for your attention to this!









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12th September ~ Valeria A, James-Rhys S & Maher Z 13th September ~ Oscar S

16th September ~ Angelika H, Jacob M, Anno R & Alla T

17th September ~ Rehana B

18th September ~ Mia T & Angela K

# Many Happy Returns to you ALL!



September	Urdu
Word to Learn:	خدا حافظ
Goodbye	Khuda hafiz!

# Year 6 Parents

Secondary Transfer Parent Briefings

The school admissions team is hosting online information sessions about secondary transfer. Parents can watch the briefings live using a smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer with internet access. The briefings will take about 1 hour and are repeated on different days and at different times. The first briefing is next week on Wednesday 16 September. Visit education hackney.gov.uk/secondarybriefings for more information

If you have any questions, problems or need any further support or advice, please contact Sheyenne Watson -Assistant Head and Y6 Lead, Chris Belgrave or Jane B via email in the first instance.

	VIRTUAL	SHARING ASSEMBLI	ES - AUTUMN TERM 2020										
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19/10/2020			(Naomi's Class)										
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		(Rosie H's Class)		(Clara's Class)									
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09/11/2020	(Rana's Class)		(Fiona's Class)										
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20/11/2020		Lowry		Faraday									
30/11/2020		(Kamilah's Class)		(Sumon's Class)									
07/12/2020		Virtual Yo	ear 2 Nativity Plays										
14/12/2020	KS1, LKS2 & UKS2 Winter Concerts												



#### Millfields Community School Term Dates 2020-21

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School Days/Weekends Bank Holidays

Inset Days







#### **DESIGN OUR CHRISTMAS CARD 2020**

London Children's Flower Society are excited to announce the launch of their 'Christmas Card Competition' where they invite London School children to design the Society's Christmas card for 2020. The Christmas card is sent out to all donor's and supporters of the London Children's Flower Society, including all their Volunteers.

This competition is open to all London School children to enter. Designs should be A5 sized and any medium can be used such as paint, pencils & crayons. They are looking for a colourful, bright design with a Christmas theme and represents the joy of gardening.

All entries should be either be posted to head office:

The London Children's Flower Society 61a High Street Orpington Kent BR6 OJF

Or emailed to: info.lcfs@btconnect.com

The closing date for all entries is 4th November 2020

Please ensure all entries include details of the Child's Name, Age and School.

The top three entries will receive a prize. So please encourage all pupils to participate and

Kind Regards Emma-Jane McGrath Director







## **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

## Home Learning Devices Questionnaire

If you haven't yet filled in the questionnaire, please click here to help us in our planning for home learning in the event of any future school closure due to Covid19. This information will help us to make robust plans to ensure as little disruption as possible to your child's learning. All answers are confidential and will be treated in the strictest confidence. Many thanks!

## **How to Order School Dinners**

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they are entitled to Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) and you do not need to book this on SCOpay as this is only for paid meals. However, if you wish to book them in, to get used to using the system, then please feel free

If your child is in Nursery full time or Years 3-6, and they are not entitled to Free School Meals (FSM), and your child needs a school meal, then this should be booked and paid for on SCOpay.

You will not be able to book meals if you have a negative balance, so will need to clear your account of any debt before paying and ordering a school lunch for your child.

Meals can be ordered online up to 1 day before they are needed. You cannot book online on the day you need the school meal. However, you can pay for a school dinner and then let your child know to tell their teacher that they are having school dinners.

School meals do not need to be booked a week in advance, this is only for Breakfast and After School Clubs.

> If you have any questions, please email: info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk



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