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#### **HOW BUSY HAS MILLFIELDS BEEN?!**

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Diversity Week has been a great experience for all the children and staff! Classes have been reading books from different cultures and writing amazing re-counts of these stories in class. I have read some fantastic pieces of writing this week from all classes from y1 to y6. Well done everyone! Classes in Year 3 and year 4 visited the cinema as part of the week's celebrations and Year 5 and year 6 classes visited Sutton house to find out more about the black communities settling in Hackney. Each class has also been researching and making posters about an influential black role model. The work on display last night about these inspirational people includ-

ing Mo Farah, Maya Angelou, Nicola Adams, Benjamin Zephaniah, Trevor MacDonald and Jesse Owens to name a few, was brilliant and the children have all talked excitedly about all the information they have learnt. Last night's celebration of Millfields inclusion and diversity was a huge success. The range of international food that parents brought in was amazing and delicious; the choir sang beautifully; and the steel pans were amazing, especially when our very own Y4 teacher, Naomi played with them! Parents, staff and pupils all had a great time! Thank you to Emma, Naomi and Roz for organising the week and making it such a success! Year 4 also visited a synagogue on Monday as part of their enrichment of RE work. The children were fascinated by the tour of the building and found out lots of interesting facts about Judaism to enhance their learning.

We have also had great sporting news this week! This is our first venture in the hackney schools' Winter orienteering league and the children taking part have all been amazing and have really been fantastic ambassadors for the school. Well done to the whole team who over the 5 events pipped Jubilee to the post and won the league! A huge well done and congratulations to Hugh Andrews who was the top scoring boy across the whole league! Thank you to Izaac who has been coaching and organising the team. We are already looking forward to the summer league! Also, the first cycling league event took place last Friday and Millfields started the season in fine form. We ended up with 3 gold, 4 silver and 3 bronze medals and are the early overall leaders of the league! Well done to all the riders! Thank you to Sumon for coming in to support us and to parent Paul Marsden for his unwavering support with the cycle team. On Tuesday, more than 24 Reception class parents joined their children for lunch. We hope you enjoyed tasting some of the delicious food on offer and appreciated the opportunity to see a little bit of your child's day. For the first time, we sent 10 Y4 pupils to the Hackney Healthy Eating festival, where the children enjoyed taking part in workshops and competing against other schools. Well done to all the children involved! Yesterday, the Eco Champions from each class were busy on their first assignment and joined the 'Clean up Clapton' campaign to pick up litter, make posters and encourage the local community to look after their environment! Well done everyone.

Also yesterday, the Junior Road Safety officers, Viggo and Lila met with the hackney rep to talk about their new role and also met with the road safety champions from each class to ensure that we are ready for the darker evenings by wearing bright clothing and being ready to cross roads safely. Finally today, we welcomed parents to Dundee Class sharing assembly – we hope you enjoyed it; and we also invited parents from Liverpool Class and Sheffield Class to take part in the class Maths lessons –we hope you learnt a little bit more about the strategies your children use in class.

I hope you all have a lovely half term. Enjoy the time with family and friends. Best, Jane



Autism Parent Workshop Weds 1st Nov PSA Disco for R-Y3 Friday 3rd Nov Work Week 6th –10th Nov Book Fair 10th-15th Nov Parents' Evening Weds 15th Nov

### Attendance Week beg: 9th Oct

Our school target: 96.5% Last week: 96.7% Winning classes: KS1 Leeds & Liverpool (98.6%) KS2 Canterbury (99.3%) *Well done!* 

#### <u>Tuck Shop</u> Thank you to

Birmingham for organising last week's tuck shop. Amount raised was an amazing £92.42! Thank you for all of your support!

Reminder: Head Teachers Surgery Tues 31st October 2-3 School Tours Friday 3rd Nov 09:45am Friday 17th Nov 09:45am



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

| 14th October | ~ | Max Hughes                                     |
|--------------|---|--|
| 15th October | ~ | Irem Morina, Jonas Campbell, Sima Torabi,      |
|              |   | Emme-Novel Marques Ngala & Abdulhakim Isarai   |
| 16th October | ~ | Nieko Aldridge More & Magda Miria              |
|              |   |  |
| 17th October | ~ | Javan Ford & Gaia Grace Eastwood Taddeo        |
| 18th October | ~ | Jaskaran Johal & Hawabou Bhana                 |
| 19th October | ~ | Amarah Navsa & Sumayyah Budi                   |
| 20th October | ~ | Rabia Altun                                    |
| 22nd October | ~ | Louis Reynolds, Zakir Abdul Ahad, Alisha Butt, |
|              |   | Maryam Husain & Sara Cook                      |
| 23rd October | ~ | Aaminah Abdulreman & Logan Stevens             |
| 24th October | ~ | Arthur Dambe                                   |
| 25th October | ~ | Viggo Carver & Indra Parrington                |
| 26th October | ~ | Crystal Green                                  |
| 27th October | ~ | Max Larney & Sarah Gonzalez Aboagye            |

#### Many happy returns to you all!

## Calling all Autism parents & carers!

Millfields is hosting a workshop on Wednesday 1st November 1:30 to 3:30pm with Robert Raby from Hackney Learning Trust to discuss strategies and approaches for dealing with our children with autism. Everyone welcome!

#### From the desk of the Prime Minister...



Report on a Millfields Trip to The Houses of Parliament

On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, about 30 Millfields kids visited the Houses of Parlia-

ment. This was a really important trip for us as we saw the process of how big decisions are made in this country. Firstly, we went on monarch's journey to The House of Lords. (She is not allowed in the House of Commons since 1642 when King Charles I burst in requesting the arrest of 5 MPs]. When we arrived in The House of Lords, I learnt that The Lords scrutinise Bills that The Commons send to them, and pass back the decisions which then become Laws. The House of Commons is where the MPs sit and debate important issues and vote. We learnt that often when they vote, they go into two rooms called 'divisions', one of them for 'Ayes' (in support of proposals) and the other for 'Noes' (against the proposal). If the Ayes are in the majority, the proposal passes in the House of Commons, and then goes to The Lords. After the tour, we had a workshop where we discussed how ordinary citizens can contribute to the democratic process. Solomon Rigg - PM

#### NAMASTE...

This is a shout-out for any yoga mats you may have lying arould the house. We'd love to use them for our

little ones yoga sessions. Thank you!

#### PSA After-school Tuck Shops — Autumn 2017

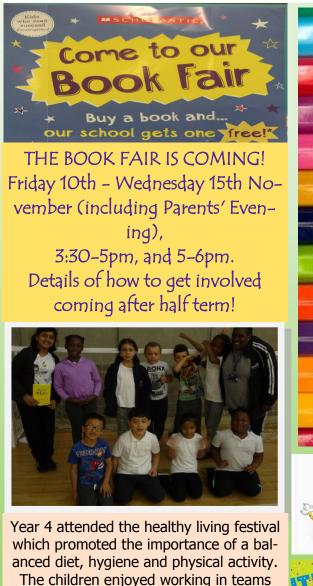
We always need people to volunteer time to run the stall on the day and will need lots of donations of food on the day. Just take your food to the office on the day of your stall. Please remember that all food must be nut free to comply with school policy.

| Date              | Class      |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| 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 |  |  |  |  |

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| Date (Friday)              | EY and KS1 (Bo<br>9.10       | —                | LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am) |                    |  |  |  |  |
| HALF TERM                  |                              |                  |                                   |                    |  |  |  |  |
| 03/11/17                   | Edinburgh                    |                  | Winchester                        |                    |  |  |  |  |
|                            | (Rana's Class)               |                  | (Naomi's Class)                   |                    |  |  |  |  |
| 10/11/17                   |                              | Manchester       |                                   | Bristol            |  |  |  |  |
|                            |                              | (Ashraf's Class) |                                   | (Kingsley's Class) |  |  |  |  |
| 17/11/17                   | North London                 |                  | Oxford                            |                    |  |  |  |  |
|                            | (Teague's Class)             |                  | (Dorothy's Class)                 |                    |  |  |  |  |
| 24/11/17                   |                              | York             |                                   | Newcastle          |  |  |  |  |
|                            |                              | (Angela's Class) |                                   | (Mehmet's Class)   |  |  |  |  |
| 01/12/17                   | Cardiff                      |                  | Canterbury                        |                    |  |  |  |  |
|                            | (Joy's Class)                |                  | (Blaithin's Class)                |                    |  |  |  |  |
| Week Beginning<br>04/12/17 | Year 2 Nativity Performances |                  |                                   |                    |  |  |  |  |
| Week Beginning<br>11/12/17 | Winter Concerts              |                  |                                   |                    |  |  |  |  |

**SHARING ASSEMBLIES - AUTUMN TERM 2017** 

School cuts haven't gone away. 88% of schools are still facing £6.8bn cuts by 2020 and that's on top of £2.8bn cut since 2015. The cuts in Hackney are especially savage. Your help is needed. There's an important mass lobby of Parliament over the school cuts happening next week on **24 October** with a big contingent of parents and school staff attending from Hackney. The aim is to make school funding as high on the agenda ahead of the Autumn budget statement by lobbying individual MPs who will be obliged to reflect the parental anger and concerns about school cuts in their constituencies. Diane Abbott will be a sympathetic ear but she still needs lobby-ing! Parents from South Hackney have set up a lobby meeting with Meg Hillier but FAIR FUNDING ALL SCHOOLS HACKNEY is still looking for a parents to formally arrange a meeting with Diane Abbott. Is there anyone among you who can do this? And/or attend on 24th (during half term) at parliament with other Hackney parents and families? You don't need to be an expert. Please pass this on to local parents you know too - it doesn't have to be a Millfields parent. Local Daubeney Primary parent, Lucie - involved with Fair Funding For All Schools campaign - is coordinating a Hackney meet-up on 24th to travel into town together. Please contact Lucie for more info: <u>luciestephens@icloud.com</u> Here is the proforma for arranging a meeting with Diane <u>https://schoolcuts.org.uk/#!/lobby</u>



with range of hackney schools as they undertook a carousel of activities with the main theme being FUN! Well done to all the children who represented Millfields











