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## SPECTACULAR START TO SUMMER TERM!



Welcome back to everyone, and I hope you had a good rest and enjoyed your holiday. It is great to see all the children back, looking rested and ready for the busy term ahead. As always, there are lots of special events and theme weeks planned for this half term, so please make sure that you read the Mag, look on the school website, check your mobile number is correct to receive texts and look out for the trip and permission letters that will need signing.

Next week is 'Parents and Families' Week. You should have already received information on a range of events that are taking place next week. The theme for the week is 'Different Families, Same Love'. In class the staff will be taking the opportunity to talk to your children about the different types of families there are and that our school is a place where every person has the right to be themselves, to be included and to learn in a safe and happy environment. We will be emphasising that everyone at our school is equal and that we treat each other with respect and kindness. Events planned include: Coffee Mornings; Put Yourself In Their Shoes –a chance to take part in lessons with your children and/or take some of the tests or do some of the activities that your children are involved with; Family Cooking Session; Smart Talk Online Family Agreement Workshop –help to create and sign a family agreement with your child to help them stay safe and happy online; Family Science Workshops; Bring your Pet and Parent to school; Dads and Lads fire pit sing-a-long and Family Story Time. We hope that you will be joining us during the week and that this opportunity strengthens our family engagement and supports success for each and every child and family at Millfields.

This week, the children from the Autistic Resource Provision have been on a trip to The British Library. They are currently working on a topic around books and story-telling, and were fascinated by the range of books and types of writing they saw at the hands-on session on Tuesday. The staff at The British Museum were quite rightly amazed by the children's enthusiasm for learning, their knowledge and their questions. Well done! Also this week, Year 1 visited the William Morris Gallery as part of their Art curriculum work. The children enjoyed looking around the gallery and also took time to make their own drawings and patterns.

Yesterday, we had 4 teacher visitors from schools in Norway. The teachers wanted to look at how we assess children and what our marking, feedback and next steps in learning look like. They were very impressed with books they looked at, pupils they spoke to and the teaching and learning that they observed in classes. Thank you to all the staff and children for making them feel so welcome.

Finally, there are only 2 more running sessions before the Hackney Run on Sunday 30th April –please be here at 8:30am on Tuesday and Thursday next week for your final laps! Have a good weekend. Best wishes, Jane

### Important Dates

#### Parents & Families Week

24th – 28th April

Hackney Run

Sunday 30th April

KS2 SATS

8th –11th May

Road Safety Film night

Thursday 18th May

Hispanic Week

22nd –26th May

Music Performance

Wednesday 24th May

### Attendance

#### Week beg: 27th Mar

Our school target: 96.5%

Last week: 94.9%

Winning classes:

KS1 Manchester (97.2%)

KS2 Portsmouth (99.3%)

**Well done!**

### Tuck Shop

Thank you to Derby for organising the last tuck shop. Amount raised was £92.64!

Thank you for all of your support.

### **Reminder:**

**Head Teachers Surgery**

**Weds 26th April 11-12**

**School Tours—9:45am**

**Friday 28th April**

**Friday 12th May**



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

- 16th Apr ~ Maiassa Muarabo Luciano, Lena Cade-Swindells & Ibrahim Amerkhile
- 17th Apr ~ Rosa Jenkins, Wendy Ntiamoah, Cinar Kayam & Sammy Jo Wiltshire
- 19th Apr ~ Kevin Luu & Richie Zoko
- 20th Apr ~ Mohamed Diene
- 21st Apr ~ Mark Nkan & India Bottici

Many happy returns to you all!

### PSA After-school Tuck Shops — Summer 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
Friday 28th April	Nottingham
Friday 5th May	Birmingham
Friday 12th May	Oxford
Friday 19th May	Cycle Club
Friday 26th May	Sheffield
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Friday 9th June	Portsmouth
Friday 16th June	Year 5
Friday 23rd June	Cycle Club
Friday 30th June	Belfast
Friday 7th July	Cardiff
Friday 14th July	Edinburgh

#### TERM DATES 2017-18

##### AUTUMN 2017

INSET	Term starts for children	HALF-TERM	Term ends	No. of days
School				
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 & Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	72 (33 first half term, 39 second half term)
Children's Centre				
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2017		Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	79 days

##### SPRING 2018

INSET	Term starts for children	HALF-TERM	Term ends	No. of days
School				
*Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2018	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	56 (27 first half term, 29 second half term)
Children's Centre				
*Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2018	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2018		Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	62 days

##### SUMMER 2018

INSET	Term starts for children	HALF-TERM	Term ends	No. of days
School				
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2018	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	62 (30 first half term, 32 second half term)
Children's Centre				
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2018		Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	95





## SHARING ASSEMBLIES Summer Term 2017

Date (Fridays)	EY and KS1 (Bottom Hall @ 9.10am)		LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am)	
28.4.17		Manchester (Ashraf's Class)		Glasgow (Judyann's Class)
05.05.17	Edinburgh (Rana's Class)		Canterbury (Blaithin's Class)	
12.5.17		Liverpool (Lucia's Class)		Dundee (Matthew's Class)
19.5.17	Cardiff (Joy's Class)		Oxford (Dorothy's Class)	
26.5.17				Newcastle (Mehmet's Class)
<b>HALF TERM</b>				
9.6.17	Belfast (Teague's Class)	York (Bruno's Class)	Portsmouth (Alice's Class)	
16.6.17	<b>Democracy Week Assemblies</b>			
22.6.17 <i>*this is a Thursday</i>	South London (Angela's Class)	Leeds (Vicky's Class)	Winchester (Naomi's Class)	
30.6.17	<b>Sports Week Assemblies</b>			
7.7.17	North London (Cynthia's Class)	Nottingham (Kelly's Class)		
13.7.17 <i>*this is a Thursday</i>		Derby (Rachel's Class)	Birmingham (Emma's Class)	



### **'Come Dine with Us'**

This term, we are offering parents with children in Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5, the opportunity to have lunch with their child.

Lunch will start at 11.45am and you will be able to sit with your child and their friends in the Dining Hall, to take part in the daily routine, experience the atmosphere, and taste the lovely food that your children are offered every day.

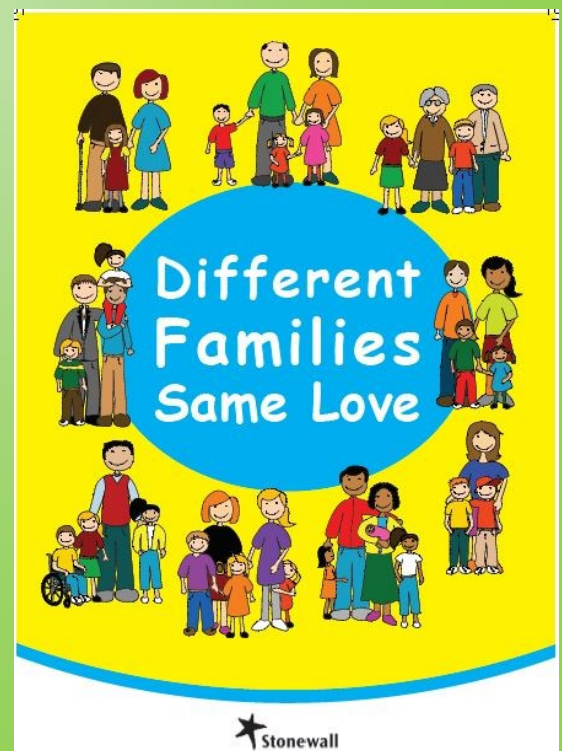
Please sign up and make a payment at the main office if you would like to join us on the day.

Adult Meal with dessert =£4.20      Adult meal without dessert = £3.00

Places are limited so please book early!

#### **Summer Term 2017**

Date	Year Group
Tues 25th April	Year 2
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5



# All About The Base!



## ARP Children at British Library - Make a Book workshop

Children learned about types of books like scrolls etc. They also saw the biggest Atlas in the world measuring over 7 feet! The children used an ancient way of sewing the pages together.



You are invited to attend our Family Week April 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> 2017! The theme is **Different Families, Same Love!** During this week we will be running a range of activities for you to take part in. Timetables and signup sheets will be displayed in the foyer

- **Coffee Mornings:** Come and meet with your child's year group lead for an informal chat and to find out about the year ahead and ways to support learning at home
- **Put Yourself In Their Shoes:** Take part in a Key stage 1 (for year 1 and 2 parents) or Key stage 2 (for Year 5 and 6 parents) grammar test (don't worry you mark it yourself!). We'll give you the answers and the skills to support your child with them
- **Take part in a Literacy Lesson:** Spend an hour observing and taking part in your child's literacy/reading lesson
- **Family Cooking Session:** Take part in a cooking workshop with your child and take home something yummy you've made together!
- **Smart Talk Online Family Agreement Workshop:** Gets parents and kids together for a conversation about being responsible with new technology. Help to create and sign a family agreement with your child to help them stay safe and happy online
- **Family Science Workshops:** Join your child in a fun exploration based science workshop and learn how to build on your child's curiosity and enhance their engagement in enquiry based learning
- **Bring your Pet and Parent to school:** All pets and parents/carers are invited to visit their child's class
- **Dads and Lads fire pit singalong:** There will be bongos and guitars, a time to bond and have fun
- **Family Story Time:** Parents and family members are invited to come and read to their child's class

Research shows that family engagement supports success. Children with involved parents and families are more likely to do better at school, come to school regularly, have better social skills and go on to post-secondary education. Family Week is one great way for you to do so.

*We hope to see you there!*