

Millfields Mag

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Where did that week go at Millfields?

It has been another busy week, and seems to have flown by, with only 3 more weeks of term until the Christmas break. On Wednesday, the whole school took part in the national 'No Pens Day'. It was a chance for children to put their pens & pencils down, talk, listen, and take part in lots of pen-free activities. No Pens Day is a nationwide fundraising event run by Speech and Language UK. It's an amazing opportunity for pupils across the country to take part in activities that put the importance on talking, listening and interacting with classmates and teachers. The feedback from the children was very positive. They enjoyed a whole range of activities that didn't involve using a pen/pencil and encouraged the spoken word e.g.: memory and word games, movement games, mental maths, cutting and sticking, art and crafts and so much more to encourage and develop a wide vocabulary for all. Thank you to all of the children and staff who brought so many items in that made our whole school 'show and tell' a huge success! The children love to talk about their special things from home, so thank you for supporting this. THANK YOU to the teachers for their thoughtful planning and BIG THANK YOU to Sheyenne for organising us all!

Thank you to all the parents and carers from Annapurna and Ararat who came into school today to see the Sharing Assemblies. The children love sharing their learning and enjoy the performance too!

A belated 'WELL DONE' to the girls football teams who won their group matches last week, and have reached the finals! The girls had 3 convincing victories and a draw. Great news - look forward to the finals in the new year!

As you will hopefully already know, the **Christmas Fair is next Friday 5th December** in the afternoon and starts at 2:30pm until 5:30pm. The PSA have all been busy for the last few weeks and still need lots of help for the actual event, getting ready for, during and after. We need donations of toys and tombola prizes. If you have not seen raffle tickets yet this year, that is because it will be an online raffle! We have an Amazon Fire tablet, A Fortnum and Mason Hamper, gift vouchers, experiences and lots more. More details via the PSA. They will also be on sale at the actual Fair. All of the activities, food, drink and stalls will be outside (fingers crossed for good weather), so we hope to see lots of you there, enjoying the atmosphere and having some festive fun!

The children in Y1 and Y2 have all been excitedly learning their lines and practising the songs for the Nativity Performances that are planned for the week beginning 8th December. There will be tickets for sale on the day - £1 donation for each performance - See the details of days and times on the poster that was emailed out and in the Mag. The Choir and Instrumental Concert is on Thursday 11th December from 6pm. This is always a lovely evening that gets us all in the mood for the holidays! We hope to see you at school Y1, or St James Church -Y2, and the week beginning 15th December for the Winter Concerts for all classes. We also have London Days during that week, a Millfields tradition, when all the classes visit somewhere in our brilliant city to celebrate the end of term! Please look out for more details, timings, venue etc in the coming days and weeks via google Classroom, email and text.

Another date for your diary is the Christmas Lunch day - Friday 12th December. If your child usually has packed lunch and you would like a special lunch for your child that day, please let us know by booking the meal on SCOpay before the end of next week.

Another big 'thank you' to all the parents who have donated money and/or food items to the weekly Food Stall. We will be making up Christmas Boxes in the next few weeks for all our families who use the Food Stall, so please drop any donations of more festive goodies or luxury food items (e.g.: Christmas Cake, selection boxes, boxes of biscuits, tubs of sweets, mince pies, Christmas puddings, cakes or anything else you would like to donate etc.). The families in receipt of the food are extremely thankful. Please bring donations to the main office and pop in the Xmas Box.

Thanks to everyone for cycling or scooting to school and thank you for trying hard to park bikes and scooters in the right place, but please could I ask that children be particularly careful when they put their bikes in the bike store - we have recently had some haphazard "parking" which has resulted in a few bikes being scratched and damaged.

Finally, Winter seems to be here as the temperature has dropped, and it is feeling chilly outside, so please make sure that your child is wrapped up warm, and that all coats, scarves, gloves and hats have names on them! It really helps when we try to match lost property to the right owner! Have a good weekend, take care and keep well. Jane.

Important Dates

Friday 5th December
Winter Fair
Friday 12th December
School Christmas Lunch
and Fill Up Friday
Friday 19th December
Last Day of Term
School ends at 1pm and
1:15pm—NO CLUBS

Word of the Week

HOOTENANNY

First recorded in 1906

noun

A lively gathering with music

E.g.: We had a hootenanny with guitars and songs.



Did you know? The word originally started as an American slang for "a thingamajig" or "whatchamacallit". It wasn't 'til the 1940s that folk musicians began using it to mean an informal music gathering or jam session - and that's the meaning that stuck!

Tuck Shop

Thank you to Acatenango Class for organising last week's tuck shop.

Amount raised was a fizzy
£161.50!

Thank you everyone for all of your support!

HAPPY FRIDAY





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

22nd November ~ Alice M & Momo S
 23rd November ~ Ruben A, Jasmine B & Amina M
 24th November ~ Nusrah A, Robin B, Sadie T & Cheryl S
 25th November ~ Celeste H
 26th November ~ Irhaa A, Arthur C, Megan H & Frida S
 27th November ~ Bruno B & Sukhmani K
 28th November ~ Ernesto A

Many Happy Returns to you ALL!



SHARING ASSEMBLIES

Autumn Term 2025

Date	Bottom Hall @ 9:10am	Middle Hall @ 9:10am	Top Hall @ 9:10am
Week beginning 08/12/2025	Year 1 & 2	Nativity	Performances
Week beginning 15/12/2025	EYFS, KS1,	LKS2 and UKS2	Winter Concerts

PSA After-school

Tuck Shops — Autumn 2025

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 5th Dec	All Classes
Friday 12th Dec	Ararat (Yr3)
Friday 19th Dec	Zambezi (Yr2)
END of	TERM



TACO VS BURRITO

By Herbie Farnsworth

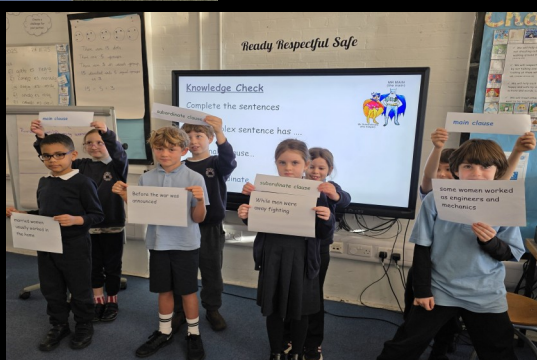
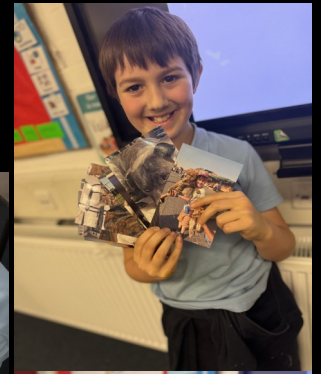
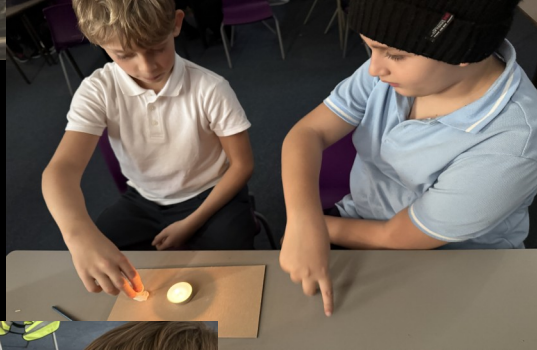
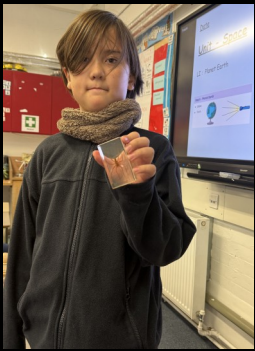
A comic of comedy and kindness





No Pens Day

Show and tell



🌟 1 WEEK TO GO! The Winter Fair is Coming! 🌟

We are counting down the hours until FRIDAY 5th DECEMBER at 2.30pm. But to make the magic happen, we need a little help from you lovely lot!

Here are 3 ways to help us make it a jolly extravaganza:

1. 🧑‍🎨 **HELP OUT:** We need volunteers for set-up, stalls, and pack-down.

Sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/EP4PC>

2. 🧸 **DONATE:** Bring toys, games, and books to reception next week!

♦ Please: School-age items only and good quality and working order only (no broken items or baby toys, please!).

3. 🏆 **WIN BIG:** The Raffle is ONLINE!

Buy your tickets to win incredible prizes, including:

- ♦ 🌟 2-night Airbnb stay (Sleeps 16!)
- ♦ 🌟 £315 Blok Membership
- ♦ 🌟 Hackney Empire Panto tickets
- ♦ 🌟 Amazon Fire Tablet
- ♦ 🌟 Vouchers for Clay Club, Pages of Hackney & My Neighbours the Dumpling
- ♦ 🌟 Plus LEGO, books, and heaps more!

Get your tickets here:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/millfields-psas-winter-fair-raffle--2025>

And don't forget to forward the link to friends and family so they can be winter winners too!

Let's kick off the festive season in style! ❄️ 🧑‍🎨

Thanks,

The PSA Committee



TERM DATES CURRENT YEAR

Millfields Community School Term Dates 2025-26

September 2025							October 2025							November 2025							December 2025							Key
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Weekends
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	School Holidays
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	22	26	24	25	26	27	28	Bank Holidays
29	30						27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31					Inset Days
January 2026							February 2026							March 2026							April 2026							1 inset day still to allocate
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NEXT YEAR

Millfields Community School Term Dates 2026-27

September 2026							October 2026							November 2026							December 2026							Key
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	School Holidays
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Bank Holidays
28	29	30					26	27	28	29	30	31		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31				Inset Days
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January 2027							February 2027							March 2027							April 2027							5 inset days still to allocate
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STARS OF THE WEEK

Key
Stage 1



Lower
Key Stage 2

Upper
Key Stage 2

