

#### It's Beginning To Look A lot Like Christmas



Christmas started at Millfields this week with various choirs singing their hearts out at various places around Hackney and London. On Monday, they sang outside Hackney Central, on Wednesday they sang in a choir competition at Westfield Shepherds Bush, and yesterday, they sang outside Tesco on Morning Lane and then outside Homerton Hospital. We have collected lots of money for various charities and the school funds. Well done to all the choir members - there are so many these days that we have to split them in to groups for the different events!

And news just in, we were runners-up in the choir competition — the judges loved the enthusiasm of the singers, as well as the range of different and original songs that Millfields sang compared to other school choirs! Well done everyone! You have helped win £200 for the school music department! Thanks to Roz and Tom for organising and singing their way around London! There are more choir events next week, so please make sure you look out for us!

This morning, we had a fantastic concert in Early Years – the Nursery and Reception classes were amazing. They made brilliant hats, sang beautifully and had some great dance moves too! Thank you to all the staff in EYFS and the Music Team. Well done!

Next week, the Y2 Nativity performances are taking place at St James church, the dates are inside this Mag and on the school website. We hope that you had the dates in good time so that you will be able to come and join in the singing and celebrations. Tickets are required for this event -£2 from main Reception.

Well done to our Y5 and Y6 chess players who went to the Chess Masters tournament at Olympia on Tuesday. This is an amazing event and we are lucky to get tickets every year to watch and participate. Congratulations to all of the children who took part but a special mention to Leo and Gabriel who won a silver and bronze medal respectively. This is the first time we have won medals so big congratulations! Thanks to Mehmet for organising and to our Chess tutor, James for his excellent teaching!

Yesterday, we held our very first Grandparents Tea Party which was a huge hit! The grandparents who came along with their grandchildren were treated to afternoon tea with sandwiches, cakes, biscuits and scones with their tea and juice. We were also treated to some live music from our Violin tutor, Cecilia. The feedback was brilliant with one grandma asking if we could do this every Thursday! We will have to see about that! There will definitely be another in the Spring term to celebrate the massive contribution that grandparents make to the families at Millfields!

Finally, today is the Christmas Fair. Thank you to all the parents and carers who are helping out as I write this. It looks to be another busy afternoon, so please come along and support us! I hear Santa may be here too! More news on this next week.

Have a good weekend. Hope this rain stops! Best Wishes, Jane



TEL: 020 8985 7

**School Pantomime** 

9th December

**Christmas Lunch** 

13th December

**London Day** 

19th December

**Last Day of Term Christmas Jumper Day** 

20th December

(School closes at 1:00PM)

**Start of Spring Term** 

6th January 2020

**Creative Week** 

27th-31st January

## **Attendance** Week beg: 25th Nov

Our school target: 96.5% Last week: 96.1% Winning classes: KS1 Lowry (97.3%) KS2 Baylis (97.3%) Well done!

#### **Tuck Shop**

Thank you to Whiteread Class for organising last week's tuck shop. Amount raised was an amazing £83.40 Thank you for all of your support!!

Reminder:

**Head Teachers Surgery** 

Tues 10th December 14:00 -15:00

**School Tours** 

Fri 13th Dec 09:30 Fri 10th Jan 09:30



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

2nd December ~ Oskar D 3rd December ~ Shirley W,

4th December ~ Kayan A, Maryam H & Akaash S

5th December ~ Annie C, Delaney P, Nathaniel H & Maimunah R

6th December ~ Logan H, Mohammed H & Yaaseen U

## Many happy returns to you all!



Carol Singing at Westfield and the tube station

# LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH S BUND TESC TAD Arabic SZIA Spanish

December

Word to Learn: Hello



# Raising Awareness of Developmental Language Disorder

This month it is DLD month. DLD stands for *Devel-opmental Language Disorder*. Having DLD means that you have significant, on-going difficulties understanding and/or using spoken language, in all the languages you use. There is no single known cause of DLD which can make it hard to explain. DLD is not caused by emotional difficulties or limited exposure to language. A child or young person with DLD may also have other difficulties, such as,

Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Dyslexia and/or speech sound difficulties. DLD is not caused by other medical conditions, such as, hearing loss, physical impairment, Autism, severe learning difficulties or brain injuries. However, these children and young people with these difficulties may also have a Language Disorder. Take a look

at this link to find out more about DLD. https://www.voutube.com/user/RALLIcampaign





SHARING ASSEMBLIES - AUTUMN TERM 2018		
Date (Friday)	EY and KS1 (Bottom Hall @ 9.00am)	LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.00am)
Week Beginning 09/12/19	Year 2 Nativity Performances	
Week Beginning 16/12/19	KS1, LKS2 & UKS2 Winter Concerts	



### PSA After-school Tuck Shops — Autumn 2019

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 13th Dec	Tarrant
Friday 20th Dec	Hepworth

## On this day in History...

First edition of 'Encyclopaedia Britannica' is published in Scotland—1768

**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: <a href="https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8204">https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8204</a> ENRICH: <a href="https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8205">https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8204</a>

INSPIRE: https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8206



Please post your cards for delivery around school in the fabulous Christmas post box outside Jane's Office





Wear your Christmas Jumper to School on the last day of term (20th Dec) to help raise money for Save the Children!



## WINTER CONCERTS 2019

Monday 16th December -St James Church

Y5 and Yr6 Sharing Concert 11.15am or 2.15pm

(Curie, Faraday, Newton, Anning, Hawking, Turing)

Tuesday 17th December -St James Church

Yr3 and Yr4 Sharing Concert 11.15am or 2.15pm

(Berners-Lee, Mackintosh, Baylis, Dunlop, Jones, Lovelace)

Wednesday 18th December - St James Church

Yr1 & Yr2 Sharing Concert 11.15am or 2.15pm

(Lowry, Whiteread, Tarrant, Riley, Hepworth, Brown)

Wednesday 18th December -St James Church 6.30pm

Choir and instrumentalists

Refreshments on sale



Well done to Year 5 who attended the Olympia Conference Centre in Kensington. 400 children took part at the Centre. We came away triumphant as Leo from Curie Class won a silver medal and Gabriel from Newton won a bronze medal! FAB-U LOUS!

## **Y2 Nativity 2019**

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at St James Church Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

-Riley Class 10.30am & 2pm

Wednesday 11th December

-Hepworth Class 11.15am & 2pm

Thursday 12th December

-Brown Class 10.30am & 2pm

ARS OF THE WEEK Lower Key Stage