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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...

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Firstly a huge thank you to the whole school community for your support this week during our Ofsted inspection that took place on Tuesday 5th December. There were 2 Inspectors who spent the day visiting classrooms with senior leaders, talking to groups of children, hearing children read, discussing documents with the Senior Leadership Team, meeting teachers and middle leaders, meeting with the governors and looking at the Parent View Survey to learn more about all that we do at Millfields! As we are already a good school, we had a section 8 Inspection that only gives judgements on whether they agree with the school's own evaluation. The questions are: does the school remain good and is safeguarding effective? There is no longer a report, but the outcome will be recorded in a letter to the school which we are hoping will be with us to be quality assured before the Christmas break and then published so that it can be distributed to you all in the new school term. Well done to the amazing staff team and the fantastic children that make Millfields so special!

On Monday Year 5 children visited the London Chess Championships at Olympia. It is a quite an amazing experience and the feedback from the children was that they had a great day, learnt lots of new manoeuvres and some of the children went up on the stage playing games against other schools! Well done to all the children who took part!

Also this week, the year 2 classes all took part in their class nativity play. The children looked very cute, sang like angels and thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience. Thank you to Roz, Tom and the rest of the music team, the class teachers and TAs, and all the parents who helped out and of course to the families who came to watch. It definitely brought a tear to a few eyes! All of the children across the school had an opportunity to watch one of the shows too and the feedback was very positive.

On Tuesday, the Children's Centre children put on their Christmas Show for parents and families. Thank you again to all the staff for their hard work in preparing and then putting on the show, and of course to the children who were great!

The choir have started their Christmas Carols tour today outside Tesco on Morning Lane. They collected around £200 that we will be donating to St Joseph's Hospice. The weather has certainly become more wintery and the shoppers all really enjoyed listening to the festive sounds. Next week, they have choir performances at Westfield Shopping Centre, Acorn Lodge, Homerton Hospital and the Notre Dame Refugee Centre –they are certainly going to be busy!

Today, the Christmas Fair is taking place from 3.30pm in the bottom and middle halls –Santa will be visiting, there will be lots of refreshments to buy, games and craft activities, as well as lots of Christmas goodies. The choir will also be sharing a performance. I hope to see you all there, joining in the festive fun. If not, have a good weekend, and remember to wrap up warm –winter has arrived! Best Wishes, Jane

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK: www.shelter.org.uk Next PSA Meeting: TBC Important Dates Pantomime Thurs 14th December

Christmas Lunch Tues 19th December London Day Weds 20th December Last Day Of Term Non-uniform Day Thursday 21st December (School closes at 2:00pm)

Attendance Week beg: 27th Nov

Our school target: 96.5% Last week: % Winning classes: KS1 (%) KS2 (%) **Well done!**

Tuck Shop

Thank you to Belfast for organising the last tuck shop. Amount raised was an amazing £97.23! Thank you for all of your support!

Reminder: Head Teachers Surgery

Dates to follow in the New Year

School Tours Dates to follow in the New Year

WINTER CONCERTS

Monday 11th December – St James Church Y3 and Yr4 Sharing Concert 11am or 2pm (Canterbury, Winchester, Portsmouth, Birmingham, Oxford, Sheffield)

<u>Tuesday 12th December</u> – St James Church <u>Yr5 and Yr6 Sharing Concert</u> 11am or 2pm (Swansea, Bristol, Exeter, Glasgow, Dundee, Newcastle)

<u>Wednesday 13th December</u> – St James Church Yr1 & Yr2 Sharing Concert 11.15am or 2pm

(Leeds, Derby, Nottingham, York, Manchester, Liverpool)

<u>Friday 15th December</u> – School <u>Early Years Sharing Concert</u> 9.30am or 2.00pm (North London, South London, Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh)

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.

	Class
Friday 15th Dec	Edinburgh
Thursday 21st Dec	Cycle Club





World Aids Day Cake Sale







Fun and Games at the London Chess Championships









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

2nd December ~	Oskar Dworski
3rd December ~	Shirley Worrell
4th December ~	Maryam Habibur Rahman & Akash Singh
	Annie Cherkoff * Delaney Perkins Davis
6th December ~	Logan Howitt & Mohammed Hussain
7th December ~	Aa'sim Aswat, June Forrest
	& Kimberley Blaney
8th December ~	Natasha Singh & Eri Hayhurst

Save the Children.

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Many happy returns to you all!

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 (21st Dec) to help raise money for Save the Children!

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Lunchtime Craft Club

We have some very crafty children here at Millfields... for all of the right reasons! They have been learning to knit and have made a selection of scarves and hats which are absolutely brilliant! Thank you to Lata for making it happen!







Forest School activities may include: Learning how to build, light, tend a fire; tool use, loppers, hacksaws, bow saws etc; tree climbing; building a bug hotel and going on a mini-beast hunt; den building; erecting a rope swing; foraging and exploring the local marshes; arts & crafts; songs and story telling; learning about flora and fauna; games & lots of fun outdoor activities for child led play.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB Forest School (4 – 8 yr olds)

Thursday 21 and Friday 22 December 9.30am - 3.30pm

To book: http://buytickets.at/freerangeurbankids1/128618

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