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Maths is everywhere



Everyone has been talking about money this week, as it has been the focus of Maths Week. The children have been learning about money in Maths lessons, and money in the world around us. Some classes visited Tesco and others visited Palm 2. We also had class visits from Barclays Bank, Steffi our School Business Manager, Dez who works at the Learning Trust and parents who work with money. There have also been lots of food sales, and children from Nursery to Year 6 have enjoyed selling and buying role play! The children have also been collecting loose change, so that each class can make a money snake –the longest snake wins a prize for the class! There will be photos on display soon. The money is going to be used in school for playground equipment. We also asked children to bring in currency from other countries that can be donated to Oxfam. Thank you very much for all your contributions so far. The children have also been earning Millfields money this week for good behaviour and good work, and the child e in each class with the most Millfields money will get a prize as well. Thank you to Gemma, our Maths Lead who organised the whole week and for all the staff for getting so involved and ensuring that the children enjoyed their week. You should also have received a letter this week about the Millfields Christmas Number 1 project. This is all very exciting, as the recording of the music has begun, the photographs/ artwork for the posters and single cover will be done by the end of next week and your children will be recording their voices for the single before half term. The scheduled release date for the single is Monday 9th December, so please make sure your let us know how you can help as soon as you can! And tell everyone you know to buy/download the single!! We are hoping to raise a large amount so that the proposed plans for the playground can happen sooner rather than later. Thank you for all your support.

As the weather has now turned colder, please ensure that your child/ren wear jumpers and coats, and that you label them with name and class, as this makes it easier to find them when they get lost!

All of the classes now have had an opportunity to work with artist, Tim Davies, who has worked with the children to create fantastic 3D fruit and vegetables to decorate the new dining area. I hope you will join us on Diversity Evening –Thursday 24th October, from 6.30pm-8.30pm, when you will see the artwork in all it's glory!

We have another busy week ahead, with 'No Pens Day' on Wednesday 16th October and 'E-safety Day' taking place on Friday 18th October. **Please also note that the school will be closed to pupils on Thursday 17th October due to strike action by members of the teaching unions.** School is open again as usual on Friday 18th. Friday 18th is also PSA Film Night! I hope you have a good weekend. Best Wishes, Jane

Important Dates

Thurs 17th October

School closed

Fri 18th October

Internet safety day

2pm PSA AGM

PSA film night

21st—24th October

Diversity Week

Thurs 24th October

Diversity evening

Fri 25th October

INSET Day

28th Oct - 1st Nov

Half term

Weds 20th November

Parents Evening

Attendance &

Punctuality

Our school target: **96%**

Last week: **98%**

Winning classes last

week: Moscow and

Innsbruck (100%) and

Rio (100%).

Tuck Shop

Well done to Year 5 who raised £120 at last week's tuck shop. Congratulations and thank you for your support.

Headteacher's

Surgery

Weds 23rd Oct 3-4

School tours:

Tues 22nd Oct 2pm

Please call the office to book an appointment.

Millfields E-safety Day 2013 on Friday 18th October

STOP

cyberbullying

Mill- are running two parent workshops to inform parents on how to keep informed about internet safety.

Both workshops are being held on Friday 18th October at 9.15-10.15am and repeated at 2.30-3.30pm.

**STOP!
BLOCK!
TELL!**

Nits! Yes they're back. Please thoroughly check your child's hair regularly. Many people have reported success with using tea tree oil. 5 drops on your hair brush or 10 in your shampoo and combed through is usually enough.



PSA (Parent Staff Association) Office Holder Elections

The PSA Annual General Meeting will take place on Friday 18th October at 2pm. After 2.5 years in post Clare Wooldridge will be standing down as Chair. Rose-Marie St Mart (Treasurer), Natascha Lloyd (Secretary), Eleanor Jackson (Co-Secretary) and Vickie Wilkes (Tuck Shop Co-ordinator) are all willing to stand for one more year but would welcome volunteers to share their roles and "learn the ropes" so that the PSA continues to thrive in the future. We also need a new leader - or perhaps a pair of new leaders to co-Chair - to provide overall co-ordination and direction. We have systems in place together with a comprehensive set of 'how to / best practice' guidelines and a team of willing helpers to support you. We hope that a number of parents will be willing to put themselves forward for a role. Please speak to any of the current committee members or Jane Betsworth or e-mail

clare.wooldridge91@gmail.com if you would like to discuss further.

also come to a short presentation of playground design including phase 1 meet the architect, questions answered for parents and staff in the cafe bar 6.30 pm

join us for an
epic

FILM NIGHT

friday 18th October 2013

doors open 5.45pm

film starts 6.15pm

bottom hall

free entry, Millfields children only
snacks for sale - hotdogs, popcorn!



Diversity Evening 2013 Thursday 24th October 6.30pm-8.30pm

An evening of songs, readings and dance celebrating our diverse community of children and adults here at Millfields.



Tickets are:
£3.00 for adults, £1.00 for children
(This includes a hot meal and refreshments)
Please buy tickets at the Front Office

PSA After-school Tuck Shops Autumn 2013

Below is a list of the classes responsible for running the tuck shop each week. Please see you class PSA rep if you would like to help. All donations of food should be taken to the office on the day of the tuck shop.

Date	Class	Date	Class
Fri 13th Sept	Rio	Fri 8th Nov	Calgary
Fri 20th Sept	Mex City	Fri 15th Nov	Moscow
Fri 27th Sept	Rome	Fri 22nd Nov	Tokyo
Fri 4th Oct	Year 5	Fri 29th Nov	Seoul
Fri 11th Oct	Year 6	Fri 6th Dec	Vancouver
Fri 18th Oct	Paris	Fri 13th Dec	Innsbruck
Fri 25th Oct	INSET	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
HALF TERM			

SHARING ASSEMBLIES - Autumn Term 2013

Date(Fridays)	EY and KS1(Top Hall @ 9.05am)		LKS2 and UKS2 (Middle Hall @ 9.05am)	
18.10.12	Red Class (Teague)		Innsbruck Class (Gemma)	
25.10.12	INSET Day—No Sharing assemblies			
HALF TERM				
8.11.12		Paris Class (Kasia)		Oslo Class (Lloyd)
15.11.12	Work Week—No Sharing assemblies			
22.11.12	Orange Class (Sara)		Tokyo Class (Rebecca)	
29.11.12		Rio Class (Naomi)		Beijing Class (Nicole)
6.12.12	Nursery - Green am (Saska)		Barcelona Class (Mehmet)	
13.12.12		Calgary Class (Sevilay)		Athens Class (Leon)
20.12.12	WINTER CONCERTS AND NATIVITY			



Maths Week

This week children enjoyed visitors who use money in their jobs and also trips to local shops. Thank you for bringing all your loose change to make the money snakes, all classes had a lot of fun measuring them and counting them up. All will go to the playground fund. Thank you also for bringing in foreign currencies. There were some great discussion in class around money from some very far flung places! The A-Z of money competition will be extended until Monday for those children who haven't brought their entries in yet. Thanks for everyone's support in making Maths week so enjoyable.

Halal

Please note that all meat served by the school kitchen is Halal and approved by the HMC. The HMC inspects the kitchen annually and issues the school with a certificate certifying the kitchen as Halal. We have had our inspection and have once again been certified Halal. We are awaiting the updated HMC certificate to put on display in the front entrance.

Parent Governor Elections

Voting is going strong. You have until 4:30pm on Wednesday 16th October. Ballot papers are available each morning and afternoon either in the front playground from a governor or from Heidi in the main office.

Uniform



At Millfields we expect our children to wear uniform every day. Crossbow school-wear is our local supplier for uniform. They are reasonably priced and very good quality. They have a range of Millfields uniform including fleece jackets, sweatshirts, blue and white polo shirts all with the Millfields logo on them. Any children not wearing uniform will receive a reminder letter from their teacher. Thank you

