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Football fever at Millfields



We know it was the start of the World Cup yesterday, but football fever arrived early at Millfields, as on Tuesday, the FA Cup that was won by Arsenal this year, visited Millfields. The children from the Arsenal Double Club, that is run by Sharon and Dwayne in conjunction with Arsenal Football Development Team, were delighted to be able to have their photograph taken with the FA Cup and actually touch it! Then lots of the other children in classes from across the school came to look at, pose with and touch the famous trophy! Their photographer will be sending through his photographs in the next week or so if any parents would like copies. This visit was organised because Millfields has one of the longest associations with Arsenal Double Club. It runs after school every week, and is a mixture of football skills as well as Literacy and Maths skills. Please see Ifeoma for more details if your child would like to join in September.

Also, as World Cup fever takes hold, Millfields will be getting in to the sporting spirit next week as Sports Week commences, followed by a World Cup inter-class football competition during the week beginning 23rd June. Please remember that your child should be wearing sports clothing every day next week, as we start each day with the much-loved daily aerobics sessions in the playground. In addition to the Sports Days, there will also be lots of other activities happening including additional swimming lessons, basketball, Biduco, skipping, personal bests, tennis, badminton, gymnastics and netball. The timings of each year groups' sports days has already gone out, but please check the school noticeboards for all the details or check with the main office. The children and staff always have really good fun during sports week, so let's hope that the weather holds and we have a glorious week of sport! There will be more details of the football tournament coming soon.

We also have a new theme week coming up during the week beginning 30th June –it will be 'Speaking and Listening' Week. Part of this week will involve a poetry competition that is open for all children to enter –please ask your children to start thinking about whether they would like to take part and start learning their favourite poem off by heart.

You should have received the ballot form with candidates for Parent Governor but a reminder –the voting is taking place now until 18th June. Please come to the main office and see Heidi to cast your vote, or look out for the Parent Governors in the playground.

Another reminder please –now that the weather is getting hotter, please make sure that your child wears appropriate clothing and footwear –open sandals or shoes are a health and safety issue, so please try to wear alternative summer shoes. Also, please bring labelled sun cream and leave with the class teacher if your child needs it. See the Sun Safety Policy on the website and the top tips inside the Mag for more information.

And finally, the Leadership Team have been looking at the children's learning this week by observing classes during Topic lessons. We have some brilliant learning taking place and have seen the children really engaging and enjoying their tasks.

Finally, have a good weekend. Best Wishes, Jane

Important Dates

Week beg 16th June

Sports week

Monday 16th June

Years 3/4 sports day

Tuesday 17th June

EY sports day

Wednesday 18th June

Years 5/6 sports day

Thursday 19th June

Years 1 / 2 sports day

Tuesday 1st July

Enterprise Day

Wednesday 9th July

2-8pm Parent's evening

Friday 18th July

2pm Last day of school

Attendance & Punctuality

Our school target: **96%**

Last week: **96%**

Winning classes last week: London and Moscow (100%) and Rome (98%).

Tuck Shop

Well done to Seoul class for organising the tuck shop before half term.

Amount raised was: £57.20.

Congratulations and thank you for all of your support.

Headteacher's Surgery

Tuesday 17th June 2-3

School tours:

Friday 27th June 9.30

Please call the office to book an appointment.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays during this week: Suki Fitzwilliam 9th June; Jahrel Bartlett, Lois Birch and Elliot Marsden 10th June; Dylan Iaccarino Smith 11th June; Jane Betsworth, Rose Dhaliwal and Johnce Palata 13th June; Dammy Arasokun-Akande and Steven Fisher 14th June; Tajean Lewis and Maariyah Mulla 15th June

Hope you have had a lovely day!



Who can enter?

Anyone

What do I need to do?

You must learn a poem off by heart and perform it with some actions/movement and plenty of voice control. (You can try it out on your mums and dads, aunts and uncles, teachers and pets to make sure you are ready? For inspiration look at Michael Rosen performing his poems on youtube.

MILLFIELD'S GOT TALENT POETRY SLAM COMPETITION

Poetry Slam heats:

On **Wednesday 2nd July** you will be asked to perform in front of Jane. She will then choose 4 people from each key phase to be put through to the grand final.

Poetry Slam final:

On **Thursday 3rd July** the judging panel—To be confirmed—but likely to be as famous as Simon Cowell and David Walliams (almost!) will choose the winners for each key stage.

Winners will perform and collect their prizes at the Friday 4th July sharing assemblies after all the class poems have been performed.

There will be 4 categories: EY, KS1, LKS2, UKS2



Cyber bullying

Concerns have recently been raised by schools regarding some social networking websites which allow children to create avatars and chat with other users. These sites encourage children to make short films of themselves, and post them on the website. Users are anonymous, and this places children at risk of online grooming, and some have been asked to do inappropriate things such as remove clothing (BBC News report here).

One particular site – www.moviestarplanet.com is now being blocked for all schools, and, we wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of some of the dangers that children might face when using the internet and socialising online.

If your child is receiving emails, tweets etc that are upsetting, or are asked to do something which makes them feel uncomfortable, please encourage them to report these to you immediately. If you are very concerned you can report what's happening online using the CEOP website—www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Summer Fair Sat 5th July

The Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 5th July. If you are having a clear-out in the next few weeks here is a reminder of the donations we would welcome for the various stalls:

- Books (adult and children's), Toys, CDs & DVDs
- Items for the Tombola - anything **new** e.g. unwanted presents, toiletries, wrapped sweets and chocolates, cuddly toys, tins or jars packets of food, bottles of drink
- Bottles of wine for a game
- Plants for the plant stall
- Henna, tattoos, nail varnish
- Prizes for the raffle

We **won't** be collecting clothes, jumble or bric a brac thanks!

Stall rental

There are a limited number of stalls available to rent at the Summer Fair for craft etc (not food) at a cost of £20 each please contact Kate at klwestlake@gmail.com or leave a note at the main reception.

Many thanks to everyone who signed up to have a Keatons Board

Please don't bring anything in yet - we will take donations every day during the week leading up to the fair at morning drop off in the front playground. All proceeds from the Summer Fair go towards the PSA playground fund. MANY THANKS. THE PSA

KEY STEPS TO SUN SAFETY

- Spend time in the shade, especially between 11am and 3pm.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses and t-shirt to protect you from strong sun.
- Wear at least SPF15 sunscreen and re-apply regularly, particularly after swimming, sweating or changing clothes.
- It's important to drink water in hot weather to help you stay hydrated.
- Remember if your own shadow is shorter than you, then the sun is at its strongest and you should protect yourself.

SHARING ASSEMBLIES - Summer Term 2014

Date(Fridays)	EY and KS1(Bottom Hall @ 9:10am)	LKS2 and UKS2 (TopHall @ 9.10am)
20.06.14	SPORTS WEEK CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES	
27.06.14	Vancouver Class (Ashraf)	Athens Class (Leon)
04.07.14	Calgary Class (Sevilay)	Moscow Class (Hellin)

Find the Countries for these nationalities:

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e.g.: *Uruguayan* = **URUGUAY**

<i>Croatian</i>	<i>Portuguese</i>	<i>Greek</i>
<i>Spanish</i>	<i>American</i>	<i>English</i>
<i>Japanese</i>	<i>Dutch</i>	<i>Brazilian</i>
<i>Swiss</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>Iranian</i>

REMINDER - APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR

As the weather has warmed up we have noticed a large number of children starting to wear open toed sandals and flip flop type shoes to school. These are not part of our uniform and pose a health and safety risk. We have had many accidents this week due to wearing this type of footwear.

Children are very active during playtimes and sandals do not offer enough protection and support to enable your child to fully participate in activities.

Any child wearing inappropriate footwear from next week will receive a letter reminding them of appropriate uniform.

Many thanks for your support.



Creative Week Tour

As promised, I would like to invite parents on the 24th and 25th June at 2pm to come and visit Mill-fields, for a tour of all the beautiful work that took place during creative week. Fingers crossed you may get a glimpse of your child's work. We can only take a maximum of 10 parents per session, so **please book your place at the office**. It will be on a first come, first serve basis. If we have a large number of requests, we will of course add more dates to the tour. On the day, please sign in at the office by 2pm.

Important Travel information

Public Health England is advising that anyone planning on travelling overseas this year should seek health advice from their GP 6-8 weeks before they travel. This is to help minimise children and their parents acquiring infections abroad and becoming unwell on return to the UK. Where vaccinations are required, most are provided free by the NHS.

PSA After-school Tuck Shops Summer 2014

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
Friday 20th June	Red
Friday 27th June	Barcelona
Friday 4th July	Blue
Friday 11th July	Vancouver
Friday 18th July	No tuck shop, last day of term

Reception Playground

Whilst picking children up from after school club or dropping them off in the morning please ensure they are **not** playing in the reception playground. We are finding that activities which teachers have spent a lot of time preparing for the next day are being dismantled and damaged. The activities are an important aspect of learning and it is very frustrating (and time consuming) to have to tidy things up that a left a mess by children who they are not intended for.

Many thanks for your cooperation

Parent Governor elections

Just a reminder that voting closes this Wednesday 18th June for parent governor elections. Please collect your ballot paper from Heidi in the main office before or after school. Many thanks



Stars of the week!



Key Stage 1



Estrellas de la Semana



Lower Key Stage 2

