

Millfields Mag

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Welcome back



Welcome back to everyone, and hope you all had a good break. Some of the children looked like they have grown and certainly everyone looked rested and ready for the excitement of all this term's learning opportunities. I have really enjoyed hearing about all the different trips, holidays and activities that the children took part in over the break.

This week we have already had a successful sporting event. A new tournament in Hackney for Y3 footballers took place on Wednesday, and our newly formed team did really well coming second in their group! Sharon and Dwayne said that they were really impressed with the enthusiasm and commitment shown by the boys involved, so well done!

Today we have had a visit from the Dentist who was with Reception children, checking teeth and talking about how to look after their teeth.

The PSA also met this morning and have agreed the Summer Fair date has been agreed as Saturday 4th July. The theme is going to be 'Carnival', so start thinking about your costume now as there will be lots of prizes! The PSA will be sending out a newsletter very soon and will, as ever, be asking for help and support before, after and during the event. Please email one of the Co-Chairs, Ann-Marie ammarie@hotmail.co.uk or Paula polly0309@gmail.com if you have any time, enthusiasm or both to spare!

We also have lots of exciting events and theme weeks and days coming up this term. Next Week is 'Speaking and Listening Week' that will culminate in the Poetry Recital Final on Thursday. Please encourage your child to learn and practise performing a poem over the weekend as a winner from each class will go through to the final. Also, if there are any parents who are willing and able to read or tell stories to their child's class that week, especially stories or traditional tales from other cultures and countries, please contact info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk The following week is 'Democracy Week' (27th April -1st May) at Millfields. We will be talking about the current national build-up to the General Election, and will be creating our own political parties with elected representatives. As part of the week, the children will be looking at news items, talking about the origins of democracy in Ancient Greece, looking at local politics, making rosettes and banners, attending a hustings at the Round Chapel, and having the opportunity to vote and elect our own School Prime Minister! If you think that you could help or support in any way, please contact Jane, Roz or Lloyd or again email us info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk

The class photo proofs arrived and were given out to classes this week. We think they look great, hope you do too! Orders need to be returned to Heidi at the main office by 28th April. As the weather is getting warmer, please ensure that your child is still wearing school uniform and that they wear sensible shoes/sandals, not flip flops, and a hat if necessary. There is plenty of water available at all times in class and in the playground for children.

Have a good weekend. Best Wishes, Jane

Important Dates

Week 20th-24th April
Speaking & Listening
Week

Thurs 23rd April
Poetry finals

27th Apr—1st May
Democracy Week

Sun 10th May
Run Hackney run
11th -15th May

Year 6 SATs week

Fri 15th May

***Bollywood Evening**

Fri 22nd May

Last day of half term

Attendance & Punctuality

Our school target:
96.5%

Last week: **92%**

Winning classes last
week: Exeter and
Sheffield (97%) and
Nottingham (97%)

Please ensure you leave a message on the school attendance line if your child can not come to school. When you call make sure you say why they are not attending. There are many illnesses that are easily spread and we need to keep track of anything serious.

Headteacher's

Surgery

Thurs 23rd April -2pm

School tours

Fri 24th April -9:30am

Please book an appointment with the office.



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays during this week and the Easter Holidays: Nile Skeete 2nd April; Lila Arnold Isles, Alex Cruse and Hamzah Hikmatulla 3rd April; Ilyas Taluqdar 4th April; Ferdaous Kadiri Kasmi and Amelia Krause 5th April; Ekin Dermici 6th April; Tanvir Ahmed 7th April; Alfred Higgins 9th April; Chris Belgrave, Melissa Lloyd, Laurie Bishop and Georgis Tassell 10th April; Debi Cookhorn, Rana Mazrani and Leila Wood 11th April; Sonia Antoniazzi and Dwayne Malcolm Worrell 12th April; Marcie Scope Cook 13th April; Leea Williams, Zahrah Hindocha, Jasmine Joof, Mackenzie Lane and Maura Mae Perkins Davis 14th April; Lena Cade-Swindells and Ma-iasa Muarabo Luciano 16th April; Sam Brown, Rosa Jenkins and Wendy Ntiamoah 17th April; Mahamed Ahmed and Keiry Thorpe 18th April; Kevin Luu, Aleksandra Stawiarska and Richie Zoko 19th April.

FEED THE FAMILY FOR FREE ON BANISTER HOUSE



Bring your children and learn how to cook healthy tasty recipes together.

Each week, we make and share a meal together - **all for free!**

Every Thursday, 4:30PM to 6:30PM
16th, 23rd & 30th April
7th, 14th & 21st May

at the Banister House Community Hall, E9 6BP

Call on 020 7033 8505 or email katie@shoreditchtrust.org.uk to book your place.

Children under the age of 11 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.



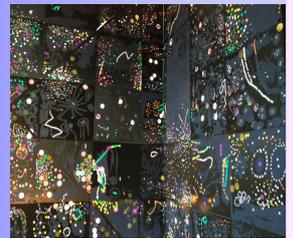
2015 SAATCHI GALLERY / DEUTSCHE BANK ART PRIZE FOR SCHOOLS

Our sky wall art work was removed from the middle hall during the Easter holidays and is now installed at the Saatchi gallery. The exhibition can be viewed by the public throughout April. The winner of the competition will be announced on the evening of the 28th April.

We are extremely proud to have been shortlisted to the final 20 out of 20,000 entries. You can view all the submitted and shortlisted artworks at:

<http://www.saatchigallery.com/portfolio/>

The Saatchi Gallery is located close to Sloane Square.
Duke of York's HQ
King's Road
London
SW3 4RY
Open from 10am -6pm daily.



SHARING ASSEMBLIES - SummerTerm 2015

Date(Fridays)	EY and KS1(Bottom Hall @ 9.10am)	LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am)
24.4.15	Speaking and Listening Week poetry assemblies	
1.5.15	Derby Class (Wayne)	Dundee Class (Alex)
8.5.15	Cardiff Class (Angela)	Birmingham Class (Naomi)
15.5.15	Manchester Class (Ashraf)	Glasgow Class (Rebecca)
22.5.15	Science / DT Week assemblies	
HALF TERM		
5.6.15	North London (Cynthia)	Portsmouth Class (Hellin)
12.6.15	Liverpool Class (Emma)	Newcastle Class (Esme)
19.6.15		Sheffield Class (Alison)
26.6.15	Sports week Certificate Assemblies	
3.7.15	Leeds Class (Vicki)	
10.7.15	No Assemblies	

Website of the Week

Looking for ideas for the poetry competition next week. Have a look at some amazing performance poems at:

<http://childrenspoetryarchive.org/poems>

or

<http://www.fizzyfunnyfuzzy.com/>



Millfields Super Savers



We were very pleased this week to have a number of people making deposits into their bank accounts. We will continue to be open

Every Wednesday morning from 8:30- 8:50.

This bank is organised and run by a hard working volunteer group of year 5 pupils who are keen to encourage everyone to be a saver not a spender.

PSA After-school Tuck Shops Summer 2015

Continuing our weekly tuck shops, we will 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.

Date	Class	Date	Class
Friday 17th April	Liverpool	Friday 5th June	Birmingham
Friday 24th April	York	Friday 12th June	Belfast
Friday 1st May	Year 6	Friday 19th June	Oxford
Friday 8th May	Portsmouth	Friday 26th June	Cardiff
Friday 15th May	Winchester	Friday 3rd July	York
Friday 22nd May	Sheffield	Friday 10th July	Canterbury
HALF TERM		17th July, no tuck shop last day of term	



Active Kids vouchers

Please put your vouchers in the collection boxes behind the bench in Main Reception. Don't forget to ask for your vouchers if you use self check-out! Many thanks.

Weekly Playground Development News:

News: We have a group of parents hard at work writing funding applications for our new playground. We will hear if we have been successful in the coming month or so and will keep you posted. Watch this space!

Look out for a new display showing the children's designs in the foyer next term. The aim is to create 'a sanctuary for the imagination' that also gives the children exercise and offers an inclusive space in which all our children can play.

What you can do:

Inspired by our selection for the THE 2015 SAATCHI GALLERY / DEUTSCHE BANK ART PRIZE FOR SCHOOLS Millfields have been thinking of doing an ART AUCTION next term to raise funds.

We are now looking for Artists and Curators who have links to the school (parents, aunts and uncles, grandparents and of course children) to donate Art Work to be auctioned for the school playground fund. If there is anyone who is interested in either donating Art or in helping to organise/ curate the auction itself please get in touch with pinny-grylls@googlemail.com



Nursery and Reception admissions September 2015



Offer letters for next years reception were sent by the learning trust yesterday. If you have any queries about the school you have been offered please speak to the learning trust. The details are included in the letter.

Offer letters for next years nursery will be sent out on Friday 24th April. Please read these carefully and respond by the dates provided. Any queries about nursery places can be made to Heidi in the office on the main school phone number or by email at info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk

Both new Nursery and Reception parents will receive more detailed letters with upcoming events and dates later this half term. Please note that home visits will be conducted during the weeks of the 29th June and 6th July. You will be sent an appointment by the school. Unfortunately due to the limited time and number of children we need to meet we are unable to make any alterations to the appointment time you are given. If you can not make the appointment you have been sent just call us to cancel. Stay and play sessions will be on Friday 10th July. We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

Poetry Grand Slam

You will have received a letter earlier this week regarding our exciting poetry competition for Speaking and Listening week.

If your child is interested in taking part they need to learn a poem off by heart and perform it on Tuesday 21st April. The poem can be written by someone else or by themselves.

The Grand final will be on Thursday 23rd April at 10am.

There will be a winner and runner up for each age phase.

Entrants will be judged out of 5 in each of the following areas: Voice and articulation; Evidence of understanding; Level of difficulty and Overall performance.

We look forward to being wowed by everyone's performances.





Stars of the week!



Key Stage 1



Lower Key Stage 2



Upper Key Stage 2



Estrellas de la Semana

