

Millfields Mag

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Out and About



It is the end of another busy week at Millfields! Year 3 went on their WOW trip to Woburn Abbey Safari Park, as part of their topic on 'Wild Things', and Year 5 went on their WOW trip – a 'Duck Tour' as part of their work on 'London Life'. The children were all enthused by their visits and will now be able to bring their experiences to their learning in class. Also this week, we saw the first two Class Sharing Assemblies of the year. Thank you to Mexico City and Grenoble classes for their hard work – you were all amazing considering that you have only been back at school a few weeks.

The news you have all been waiting for: **the school kitchen will be open and running again from Monday 30th September**, which means that it is only one more week of packed lunches! I would like to thank everyone, especially the children, for their patience and understanding while this building project has been going on. If your child has school lunches the cost for the rest of this half term is £31.35. More details of lunch costs and the menus for the next 3 weeks are on the website. We will also be taking on an exciting Art project in the next few weeks that will involve 3D installations in the new dining area. We hope this will be completed and ready for parents to see at the Diversity evening that takes place on Thursday 24th October.

Also, the roof outdoor learning space will be completed by the 14th October, so the scaffolding should also be removed before then, and we will have a full playground back! Then the work on the first stage of the PSA and school Playground Project will be able to get underway. More details of the plans will be displayed in the foyer outside the school-keepers' office on the ground floor.

You should have received a letter this week asking for food donations, as part of our work, especially in Year 1 on Harvest. If you can spare any dry food for the school collection, that would be great. This year the food will be shared between the Salvation Army and the Hackney Food Bank. Please bring donations to the main reception area outside Vancouver Class.

Again, a reminder to parents of Year 6 children that you need to complete your Secondary transfer application online before the 25th October. If you would like support with this, please book a slot on the allocated days.

Finally, I hope you have a lovely weekend, as I hear there will be some sunshine!
Best Wishes, Jane.

Important Dates

Weds 25th Sept

7-9pm Early years social evening

Sat 28th Sept

10-12 Macmillan coffee morning

7th - 11th October

Maths Week

25th October

INSET Day

28th Oct - 1st Nov

Half term

20th November

Parents Evening

Attendance & Punctuality

Our school target this year is **96%**. Last year we achieved 95.8% attendance so we were almost there. This year we would like to get over 96%.

Term time holidays will only be authorised in extreme circumstances.

Tuck Shop

Well done to Rio class who raised £79.25 at the first tuck shop of the school year. Congratulations and thank you for your support.

Headteacher's Surgery

Weds 2nd Oct, 2-3 pm

School tours:

Monday 30th Sept 2pm
Please call the office to book an appointment.

Dinners

Building work is continuing so please send your child to school with a packed lunch next week except if they are receiving Free School Meals. The kitchen is due to open

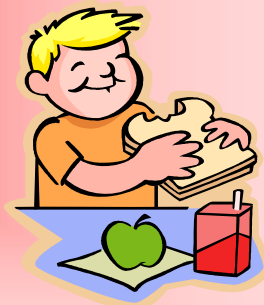
on the 30th September. If you would like to start paying your account in advance for when dinners do start (and avoid some of the rush in the office) please do so.

The price of dinners is as follows: £1.65 daily, £8.25 weekly, £31.35 from 30th Sept - half term, £89.10 30th Sept - Christmas.

We will be contacting people who have arrears this week. Please be aware that if you have not cleared (or made a plan with the school to clear) your account your child may not receive a meal.

If you are in receipt of some types of benefits you may be entitled to Free School meals. Even if your child has a packed lunch if you are entitled to Free School meals there are other benefits such as concessionary rates for after school clubs.

Pick up further information and the application form from Hackney Learning trust as soon as possible to apply.



We need your help!!

Maths week 7th–11th Oct

This year's focus is money.

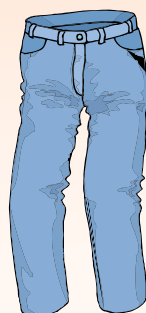
If you or anyone you know works with money, you are invited to come and share your experiences with the children of Millfields. You can work with a small group, a class, a year group or more. Please contact

the office or Gemma if you are interested in helping.
Thank you



Clothes donations

It's that time of year when the little ones may have accidents and our spare clothes cupboard is looking a bit bare. Please bring any donations of clean, good quality clothing to the main office. We are especially in need of boys trousers for 3-5 year olds.
Many thanks



Reception Class

Applications 2014 - 15

If your child's birthday falls between

1st Sept 2009 and the 31st Aug 2010

your child is due to start Reception in September 2014. Applications close on 15th January 2014. You must make an application before this date or you risk missing out on a place at your preferred school. Children in our nursery or with siblings at Millfields **do not** automatically get a place in our Reception class. Late applications are considered after all people who apply on time have accepted a place.

All nursery children will have received their book of information by now. If you still require one please contact the Hackney Learning Trust.

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			



Parent Governor Nominees

We have already received 5 nominations for parent governor. If you wish to be considered please submit your form on Monday at the latest. The election will be held in the next 2 weeks.

SHARING ASSEMBLIES - Autumn Term 2013

Date(Fridays)	EY and KS1(Top Hall @ 9.05am)		LKS2 and UKS2 (Middle Hall @ 9.05am)	
20.9.12		Mexico City Class (Vicki)		Grenoble Class (Alex)
27.9.12	Blue Class (Angela)		Helsinki Class (Abigail)	
4.10.12		Rome Class (Dorothy)		London Class (Cheryl)
11.10.12	Maths Week - No sharing assemblies			
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			

Secondary School Transfer 2014 - 15

All year 6 pupils have received their book regarding Secondary School transfer we unfortunately do not have spare copies. If you need another copy please contact the learning trust to request a new paper copy or go online and download it from www.learningtrust.org.uk Please read this carefully as open days and events are already underway.

As mentioned in the letter you received we have set aside 2 days for you to see Chris if you need support making your application. Please note that this is only if you need computer access or help understanding the form, we can not advise about your choice of school.

Chris will be available to help on:

**Friday 4th October and
Thursday 10th October**

Please make an appointment using the list on Heidi's door of the main office.

All applications must be submitted by Friday 25th October. If you submit your application late your child may not be given a school place in September or may be offered one at a school anywhere in Hackney regardless of your preferences.

YOU'RE INVITED

28.09.13
Millfields
Children's Centre
Elmcroft St
10-12

Please come to our annual
"Welcome to Early years Coffee Morning"
 In the Children's Centre on Saturday the 28th September
 We will be selling, tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits to raise
 money for Macmillan Cancer Support,
 as well as running a guess the weight of a
 delicious cake competition .
 Children are welcomed and there will be plenty of play
 opportunities for under 5's.

If you're able to bake any cakes to help us make as much money as possible for Macmillan We'd really appreciate it!



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