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Always good at Millfields



It has been a long half term with long with lots of exciting and engaging learning opportunities across the school. This week has been Diversity Week, and all the children have been celebrating and learning about the many languages spoken by the children, staff and local community. Each class designed a fantastic 'Welcome' poster of all the languages spoken in each class –the winners will be announced later today! Posters from South London Class, Canterbury, Portsmouth or Liverpool or Edinburgh Class would be my guess! The Year 5 children organised a Language Fair that all the classes visited yesterday. And all the classes have been studying a Black History text which has produced some brilliant writing from all the children. Last night we had our annual Diversity Evening which was enjoyed by lots of children, parents, and staff. The food on offer was delicious, and very well -received by all the parents, so thank you to Leea and her team for all their hard work. Thank you also to Katherine, Abigail, Emma, Alex and Roz and the music team for putting together a lovely show of all the amazing talents in our school community. The choir sang beautifully, the drums were great and the language posters looked amazing! Thank you to everyone that supported this event.

This week in Sports, the Y5 and 6 children were again out a the Hackney schools' orienteering event. Millfields were second in the task yesterday and are very close to getting the top spot. Well done to the Orienteering Team! Also, yesterday, the boys football team reached the final of the Glyn Williams Cup with 2 draws and 2 wins –well done to the boys and Sharon and Dwayne who coach them. I also gave out medals for the cycling event last week to Conrad, Ashleigh, Anoushka, Robin, Elliot and Solly. Well done to you all –we are currently top of the league! Today the PSA held their Annual General Meeting to elect new members of the committee, and they also discussed the newt stage of the playground development project. Look out for more news on the playground project, as well as upcoming events –disco, Christmas Fair and Auction all scheduled for next half term.

Thank you to everyone who dressed up in pink today! It was amazing to see the sea of pink coming through he playground this morning . We are still counting the money but I know that the Millfields generosity for all causes, both local and national is always amazing, so I will let you know how much we have raised for Cancer Research next half term.

I also enjoyed a lovely Wednesday afternoon at Cooper and Wolf, having hot chocolate and cake with our 'Always Good' winners. Also the children in Yr3-6 who were the top three point scorers enjoyed an afternoon film with popcorn and ice-cream! Well done to all the winners.

Finally, there are lots of events coming up after half term too, starting with our Curriculum Evening for parents and carers, on Tuesday 3rd November. This is an opportunity to find out more about the curriculum offer at Millfields, and talk to the various subject leaders about their subject. The event starts at 6pm, so hope to see lots of you there.

Thank you as ever to all the children for their enthusiasm and excitement to learn, and to the staff for their hard work, I hope you all have a restful and peaceful half term. Best Wishes, Jane

Important Dates

Fri 23rd Oct

Last day of half term

Mon 2nd Nov

Children return

Weds 4th November

Yrs 1 / 2 Flu vaccinations

Week beg 9th November

Work Week

Weds 18th November

Parents Evening

Friday 18th December

2pm Last day of Term

Attendance

Week beg: 12th Oct

Our school target: 96.5%

Last week: 98%

Winning classes last week :

KS1 Leeds(100%);

KS2 Canterbury, and
Glasgow (100%)

Tuck Shop

Well done to Liverpool class for organising last week's tuck shop .

Amount raised was:
£128.40. Thank you for
all of your support.

Headteacher's Surgery

2pm Tues 20th Oct

School tours

9:30am Fri 6th Nov

Please book an appointment
with the office.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays during this week: Hawabou Bhana 18th October; Cheikh Amar, Sumayyah Budi, Destiny Mbonzi and Amarah Navsa 19th October; Rabia Altun 20th October; Sara Cook, Alisha Butt, Keon Langlais and Louis Reynolds 22nd October; Aminah Abdulreman and Logan Stevens 23rd October; Viggo Carver and Indra Parrington 25th October



Well done to our school orienteering team. They have been competing with other Hackney schools this half term and are currently second. Not bad at all considering it's the first year we've entered the competition. We have a feeling that

after their amazing performance this week they may be heading for first. Also congratulations to our school cyclists who won their competition last week, with everyone winning individual medals in addition to working as a team to come top of the leader board. A special congratulations goes to Anoushka Minale who was first overall.



Curriculum Evening



Have you ever wondered just what it is your child gets up to every day at school? Has your child ever said they did "nothing" or "played" all day when you ask what they did? Would you like to know more about the national curriculum? Come and find out more:

Location: Millfields

Tuesday 3rd November at 4pm and 6pm

Subject leaders will be showing you some of the resources, lesson plans and activities that your children will experience this year. Please let the main office know if you are planning to attend this event.



Chris Belgrave Playground Supervisor on Safety in the playground.

Playtime is as important as lesson time and despite the fact that we have a lot of children and relatively small playground we ensure always that playtime is fun and safe.

Playtimes are staggered between the KS1 and KS2 children so that we can always have plenty of staff on hand. Each member of staff has a log book in which any incident at any level can be recorded and I examine all the log books. This means that we can see examples of anti-social behaviour etc. before they escalate and deal with them when they are still low level.

Only soft balls are allowed in the playground and in the KS2 playtime, only one soft football. The playpod is a huge success it provides a range of 'play initiators' with which the children can engage, it is replenished every 6 weeks with different objects, props etc.

Any parent who has a concern about their child in the playground can speak to me. I am in the playground every morning from 8.30-9am, for an informal chat. For a longer or more formal chat, you can make an appointment at reception. My appointment times are from 9-9.30am each morning.

Soleshare is a sustainable fish company who sell freshly and sustainably fished seafood by the box as part of a monthly scheme.

All you have to do is go online to: www.soleshare.net choose your fish and the amount required and decide how often you want to collect it, then get cooking. We are lucky enough to have Palm 2 as a local collection point so its easy to get involved.



PLEASE NOTE: Some assemblies have changed SHARING ASSEMBLIES - Autumn Term 2015

Date(Fridays)	EY and KS1(Bottom Hall @ 9.10am)	LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am)
6.11.15	York Class (Sevilay)	Glasgow Class (Celeste)
13.11.15	Edinburgh Class (Rana)	Birmingham Class (Naomi)
20.11.15	Derby Class (Wayne)	Bristol Class (Kingsley)
27.11.15	Cardiff Class (Joy)	Sheffield Class (Kate)
4.12.15	Liverpool Class (Emma)	Newcastle Class (Mehmet)
11.12.15	South London Class (Saska)	Winchester Class (Matthew)
18.12.15	WINTER CONCERTS AND NATIVITY	

Thank you to everyone for not bringing any balls to school. We have seen a sharp decline in the number of children with head bumps due to this. We provide a range of equipment for children to play with at playtimes and can ensure that every child has the opportunity to play safely by limiting the amount of ball games being played at any one time. Any child bringing their own ball in to play with will have it safely stored in the playpod by Chris for collection at home time. Many thanks.

Scooters

Please check over half term that you haven't accidentally taken home a scooter which does not belong to you. A few have gone missing from the shelter, including a micro scooter and their owners would like them back. If you have got a scooter that is not yours please place it back in the scooter shelter. Many thanks



From the desk of your Prime Minister

Hello Parents and pupils,
I still can't believe I'm Millfields' Prime Minister. I'm honoured to have this role and I will get down to my pledges very shortly which are: taking 2 school years a day down to the park and if there are any parents that could take them there and back and supervise whilst they enjoy their time there. Also free school meals to everyone primary and secondary age and I will encourage people with space to have refugees stay with them. I will meet up with Jane once a week and write a column for the Millfields Mag.
If there is anything you would like me to discuss with Jane please see me in the playground.
Many thanks
Finlay McNally.



Dear Pupil, Parent and Carer,
Don't forget that the clocks go back this weekend, meaning you have an extra hour to take part in Beat the Street! The current total is 38,000 miles and there are 18,000 people taking part across Newham, Tower Hamlets, Waltham Forest and Hackney.

Double points

With half-term coming up, Beat the Street would love to see you get out and about so we're offering **DOUBLE POINTS** on all Beat Boxes from 8am on Saturday, 25th October to 4pm on Sunday, 1st November! Tap two Beat Boxes to get the points.

Triple points

Additionally, there is a golden Beat Box hidden in Newham in a brand new location with clues to be found on social media! This golden Beat Box offers triple points if you tap one on your journey between 8am and 4pm on Saturday, 25th October and Sunday, 26th October. Remember you must tap at least two Beat Boxes on every journey and the golden Beat Box cannot be the first one.

Bingo!

Eyes down on Thursday, 29th October at 10am in West Ham Park for a special BINGO event! Meet us by Beat Box number 31 and pick up a bingo sheet. Triple points are available!

Leaderboard

Newcomers St Joseph's Junior School in Waltham Forest are at the top of the average points leaderboard AND the overall leaderboard which is an incredible performance considering they only joined the Beat the Street competition last week!

In Hackney, Millfields Community School tops the overall leaderboard while Baden Powell School tops the average points leaderboard.

Registering your card

There are lots of prizes on offer for taking part in Beat the Street, so please make sure that your card is registered so you can claim your prizes! All schoolchildren will have had their cards pre-registered to their school team, but adult cards can be registered to a team at www.eastlondon.beatthestreet.me

Top 5 tappers last week were:

Peter Ormerod, Megan Wooldridge and Catrin Marsden are both top tappers at Millfields. As are card numbers: 537586, 537333, 537557 and 537424.

If you would like your name to appear in the mag please see Heidi with your card. Many thanks

PSA After-school Tuck Shops Autumn 2015

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.

Date	Class
Friday 6th Nov	York
Friday 13th Nov	Birmingham
Friday 20th Nov	Portsmouth
Friday 27th Nov	Winchester
Friday 4th Dec	Year 6 (Xmas Fair)
Friday 11th Dec	Sheffield

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Website of the Week

Lots of ideas for places to go, movies to see, theatres with child friendly shows and much more. Lots of activities are free and are easily accessible by public transport.

<http://www.timeout.com/london/kids/half-term-in-london>



Festive Cards

Your child should have received a design template for a festive card yesterday. All designs must be returned to school by the deadline as we have a very tight turn around for printing,

**Design deadline:
Weds 4th November**



Stars of the week!



Key Stage 1



Estrelas de la Semana

Upper Key Stage 2

