

# Millfields Mag

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## Millfields Performs!



Yesterday we celebrated 'St George's Day' in style! We had a special visit from a traditional Pearly King and Queen, and our very own pupils, Ruby and Harris Scott-Fenton dressed in the traditional clothes as we found out that they are a Pearly Prince and Princess! They showed pupils and parents lots of photos and visited classrooms and the staffroom to answer questions and talk about their experiences. Thank you to them all for helping us mark the national day in style. The children learnt some cockney rhyming slang, and then we had traditional bangers & mash followed by Victoria sponge cake for lunch. It was delicious!

This week, our theme has been to focus on 'Speaking and Listening'. We have all really enjoyed having lots of opportunities to celebrate brilliant speeches and recitals, listen to some amazing stories, learn about words and their importance, as well as find out first hand, more about how many jobs including lawyers and politicians, need the power of speech to do their jobs well. Thank you to all our visitors who came in this week to support us. Earlier this week, we visited each class to hear the entrants for the poetry final, and we had some tough decisions to make! Congratulations to the class winners who were chosen for good presentation, intonation, expression and animation -they all received a certificate. The Poetry Finals took place yesterday, and were judged by a very prestigious panel that included our friend and governor, Gordon Murray, Lawyer and Reading Volunteer, Nick Greenslade and actress Juliet Stevenson. The standard of self-written poems and the recital of all the poems from Reception to Y6 was very high, and the judges had a very difficult job. Eventually they chose 2/3 winners from each age-phase. Well done to Alfred Higgins, Delaney, Perkins-Davies, Harris Mc Grandle, Hassan Hanif, India Bottici, Sacha Jordaan, Joe Bagshaw-Larue, Samantha Aboagye, Lilah-Pearl Forde, Aliyah Eyene-Leger and Georgie Edwards.

'Democracy Week' is next week at Millfields. As mentioned last week, 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. 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, and we are particularly looking for journalists or anyone in media who could help by supporting our in-school reporters or giving us airtime or news space somewhere local or even national! Please contact Jane, Roz or Lloyd by email at info@millfields.hackney.sch.uk We have also had some great sporting success this week. Well done to the Y6 Football Team who played really well yesterday but unfortunately, lost out going through to the next round as they narrowly lost their last match. And congratulations to our swimmers -Khadeejah, Joseph, Chico, Lilah, Inacio, Anoushka and Ruby who won 5 medals between them!

Have a good weekend. Best Wishes, Jane

### Important Dates

**27th Apr—1st May**

Democracy Week

**Sun 10th May**

Run Hackney run

**11th -15th May**

Year 6 SATs week

**Tues 12th May**

6:30 Assessment meeting for parents years 1-6

**Fri 15th May**

\***Bollywood Evening**

**Fri 22nd May**

Last day of half term

### Attendance & Punctuality

Our school target:

**96.5%**

Last week: **96%**

Winning classes last week: Newcastle and Swansea (100%) and Liverpool (99%)

### Tuck Shop

Well done to Liverpool class for raising £77.45 at last week's tuck shop. Thank you for all of your support.

### Headteacher's Surgery

**Thurs 23rd April - 2pm**

### School tours

**Fri 1st May -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: Naa'llah Aswat and Sophie Marshall 20th April; India Bottici, Milo Endres, Edgar Nisbet and Mark Nkan 21st April; Nashiya Campbell, Shakai Jones and Irma Mues 22nd April; Magdalena Brakonieccka 23rd April; Paul Ajanette and Dior Thompson 24th April; Liyya Vesamia 26th April

## INTERNATIONAL CUISINE

### FREE COOKING COURSE AT BANISTER HOUSE

LOVE FOOD? Come and learn some tasty and healthy recipes from around the world.



Including homemade bread, fine pastry, colourful cakes, flavourful curries, hearty soups, zingy salads and much, much more!



Every Monday, 6PM to 8PM  
11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> May  
1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> June  
at the Banister House  
Community Hall, E9 6BP

**The course is completely free!**

Call on 020 7033 8505 or email [katie@shoreditchtrust.org.uk](mailto:katie@shoreditchtrust.org.uk) to book your place.



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## PARENTS AND CARER'S WEEKLY COFFEE MORNING

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Information, Connections



EVERY WEDNESDAY 9:30 – MIDDAY  
AT THE HACKNEY ARK RESOURCE CENTRE

Resource Centre, Hackney Ark,  
Downs Park Road, E8 2HY

Contact: [resourcecentre@homerton.nhs.uk](mailto:resourcecentre@homerton.nhs.uk)

Tel: 0207 014 7005/7006

### SHARING ASSEMBLIES - SummerTerm 2015

Date(Fridays)	EY and KS1(Bottom Hall @ 9.10am)	LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am)		
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			
<b>HALF TERM</b>				
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

In preparation for democracy week there are some games and activities available online from the Houses of Parliament website which explore how parliament works. They are aimed at KS2 children.

<http://www.parliament.uk/education/teaching-resources-lesson-plans/about-parliament-game-key-stage-2/>



www.parliament.uk

## Sporting News

We had a very busy and fruitful week on the sporting front. Year 6 did really well at the year 6 only swimming gala yesterday at Clissold Leisure centre. Out of a small team of seven we got 3 gold and 2 bronze medals all of the swimmers did very well.

The year 5 and 6 B Football team played in their very first tournament on Wednesday and finished third.

The year 5 and 6 A team played in the finals of Hackney's five-a-side tournament and finished third in a very close, high standard of football, well done to them we will get that cup one day!

## 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
<b>HALF TERM</b>		<b>17th July, no tuck shop last day of term</b>	



## 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:

Please vote for Millfields Community School Playground in the Aviva Community Fund awards!

We have applied for up to £25,000 for our new playground. To get through to the finals we need VOTES!

Voting opens on 1 May. Please register so that you can vote from next week. Anyone who resides in the UK and registers on the Aviva Community Fund website can vote for projects.

Once you've registered you'll get 10 votes that you can cast for our project once voting begins. Please look at the website below to register and for more information, and don't forget to share with family, friends, colleagues....

<https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/cms/>

### Threadworm (Pinworms)

We have had some reports of threadworm in the school. It is the most common type of parasitic worm infection in the UK. Over half of all children under the age of 10 will get threadworms. Please check your child carefully, not all children will have symptoms, those who do will most likely have itchy around the affected area which is worse at night and can disturb sleep.

Threadworms are white and look like a small piece of thread. You may notice them around your child's bottom or in your or your child's stools (poo).

#### Threadworm is highly contagious

They are spread through poor hygiene. Please encourage your child to wash their hands thoroughly after using the toilet and before they eat. Every classroom has antibacterial hand gel and every toilet has soap and signs displayed detailing how to wash hands thoroughly. The staff encourage the children to wash their hands thoroughly however it is always helpful if this message is repeated at home as well.

Please seek advice from your nearest pharmacy or doctor. There are medications available to treat threadworm but everyone in the family needs treatment and you must practice stringent hygiene standards (details of which are available on the NHS website <http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Threadworm/Pages/Treatment.aspx>).

**Please do not ignore this problem,  
it will not go away by itself.**

## Poetry Competition Winners

We were very much impressed by the performances all our children gave this week. The winners of the Poetry grand slam are:

Early Years

Alfred Higgins and Delaney Perkins-Davis

KS1

Harris McGrandle, Hassan Hanif and India Bottici

LKS2

Sacha Jordaan, Joe Bagshaw-Larue and Samantha Aboagye

UKS2

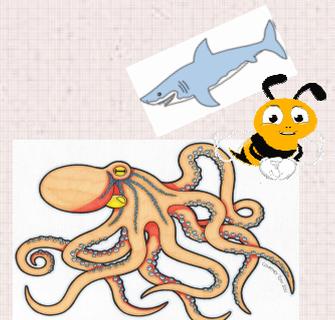
Lilah-Pearl Forde, Aliyah Eyene-Leger and Georgie Edwards

Thank you to everyone for putting in the effort to learn poems and perform them this week. We were particularly impressed by those who wrote their own poems including some of our younger children such as the one below.

*I like fish in a deep sea  
an orange octopus looks at me  
I hug it, I hug it why is it so  
fluffy  
because it's in the sea  
the black ink is divine  
the octopus is squirting it all  
over the sea  
the octopus is going away*

*I see a shark it bites me  
I don't mind  
I see a bee on top of the sea  
it's flying divine in the sky  
when I see a beautiful flower  
I hug it I hug it  
with my arms  
I love it I love it*

*It smells like vanilla  
By Delaney Perkins Davis (Belfast)*





# Stars of the week!



## Key Stage 1



## Lower Key Stage 2



## Upper Key Stage 2

## Estrellas de la Semana

