

Millfields Mag

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THE PLAYGROUND'S THE PLACE TO BE...



We have had a very exciting time during breaks and lunchtimes this week as the new tree house and slide are finished and the children have been enjoying the experience of the new playground attraction. It has been great to see all the children so happy to come out to play and to see them enjoying the new playground experience. I know that lots of parents and staff are keen to have a go too! While the children are in school, we are able to supervise the children on the climbing equipment and slide, but before and after school, can I please ask that you supervise your own children if they are having one quick go on the slide before class or before going home. The school and staff cannot be responsible for your children at these times. Thank you for your support with this.

The children have also been working hard in class this week, especially in Year 2 and Year 6 as they are preparing for the end of key stage SATS. As you will know the government have raised the expected standards for pupils at the end of KS1 –Year 2 and end of KS2 –Y6, and the children currently in these year groups have had to squeeze more than one year's learning in to this year. The teachers are very aware that some of the children will be anxious but the teachers will make it as stress-free as possible. In Year 2, the pupils will sit the tests in small groups during the course of the month of May. Year 6 pupils must sit the tests at the same time as all other Y6 children nationally, so there is a timetable in place for the week of the 9th –12th May. The children in Year 6 are offered free breakfast club that week, so look out for the letter regarding this next week.

Today, we had a visitor working with both teachers and pupils on reviewing marking and feedback policy and practice at Millfields. This piece of work is in response to the recent DfE paper on marking and teacher work-life balance. The aim of the review is to ensure that the teachers are spending time marking and giving feedback that the children think is worthwhile and is moving them on in their learning, which helps them to improve their work; as well as teachers spending their time on quality rather than quantity written feedback, as well as verbal feedback, that they feel is manageable and meaningful. The outcomes will be available for parents to see if they wish at the next Parents' Evening.

You will see a few reminders in the Mag, especially about uniform, so please ensure that your child is wearing the appropriate clothes and footwear for school, especially when the weather gets warmer... hoping that will be soon! Thanks again for your support with this. Also, again, please make sure that if your child is in the playground and on school playground equipment before or after school, then they are your responsibility.

Have a lovely long weekend. Best Wishes, Jane

Important Dates

KS2 SATS week

9th –12th May

DT and Science Week

23rd –27th May

End of half term

Friday 27th May

Inset Day

Friday 17th June

SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 2nd July

Attendance

Week beg: 18th Apr

Our school target: 96.5%

Last week: 98.2%

Winning classes last week:

KS1 Leeds, Nottingham & Manchester (99.3%)

KS2 Swansea (99.6%)

Well done!

Tuck Shop

Thank you to

Portsmouth Class for organising the last tuck shop. Amount raised was £37.88

Thank you for all of your support.

Reminder:
Head Teachers Surgery
Thurs 5th May 2-3pm
Friday 13th May 2-3pm

School Tours
Friday 6th May 9.35am

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays this week:

- 23rd April ~ Dior Thompson & Magdalena Brakoniecka
- 24th April ~ Kuba Sienkiewicz
- 26th April ~ Liyya Vesamia
- 27th April ~ Miradi Mbonzi, Hope Murray Law, Mari Rettler, Lloyd Williams Jones & Grant Butters
- 28th April ~ Elvizo Leigh
- 29th April ~ Albert Humphreys, Eliot De Carteret & Liyana Jahan

Many happy returns to you all!

SHARING ASSEMBLIES - SUMMER TERM 2016

Date (Friday)	EY and KS1 (Bottom Hall @ 9.10am)	LKS2 and UKS2 (Top Hall @ 9.10am)
06.05.16	Cardiff (Joy's Class)	Birmingham (Naomi's Class)
13.05.16	Nottingham (Esme's Class)	Newcastle (Mehmet's Class)
20.05.16	South London (Angela's Class)	Winchester (Matthew's Class)
27.05.16	Science and DT Week Assemblies	Science and DT Week Assemblies
HALF TERM		
10.06.16	Leeds (Vicky's Class)	Exeter Keli's Class
17.06.16	INSET DAY	
01.07.16	North London (Cynthia's Class)	Sheffield (Kate's Class)
Dates & Times TBC	End of Term Concerts & Y6 Performance	

PSA After-school Tuck Shops — Summer 2016

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 May	Year 5
Friday 13th May	Year 6
Friday 20th May	Derby
Friday 27th May	Leeds
HALF TERM	

Uniform

At Millfields we expect all of our children to wear uniform every day. In this last week we have noticed a few children wearing clothing which is not uniform and is not appropriate for meeting the needs of the child during the day. Also, wearing PE kit in school is not allowed unless the children are doing PE. Crossbow Schoolwear is our local supplier for uniform. They are reasonably priced and very good quality. They have a range of Millfields uniform including fleece jackets, sweatshirts and blue polo shirts all with the Millfields logo on them. Thank you

Three Day Weekend.



Calling all Italian parents

Se siete interessati a formare un play club per bambini con genitori italiani, scrivetemi per farmi sapere del vostro interesse e delle vostre idee.
erikaseverini@yahoo.co.uk

Grazie!

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

<https://letthekidsbekids.wordpress.com/let-kids-be-kids-events-happening-on-3rd-may/>

You may have already heard through playground chat or via social media that there is a proposed Kids Strike on Tuesday 3rd May. Some parents from all across the country are supporting their children's schools and the teachers by taking part in this day of action. The school will of course be open for learning as usual. However, if you are planning to take part in this action, please inform the school office of your child's absence in the usual way and they will be marked as 'educated off site'. Thanks you for your support.

DATES FOR SPORTS DAYS

- Tuesday 21st June - KS1 (Years 1 & 2)
- Wednesday 22nd June - Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6)
- Thursday 23rd June - Lower KS2 (Years 3 & 4)
- Friday am 24th June - Nursery and CC
- Friday pm 24th June - Reception

Treehouse Fun!



Featured British Artist:

Patrick Heron

Did you know he:

- attended St. George's School in Harpenden and on a school visit to the National Gallery, London in 1933 saw paintings by Paul Cézanne for the first time. He immediately began to paint in a Cézanne-influenced style.
- was born at Headingley, Leeds in Yorkshire in 1920
- turned down a Knighthood under Margaret Thatcher and was a Trustee of the Tate Gallery from 1980–1987.
- designed the coloured glass window for Tate St.Ives in 1992.
- continued painting until the day before he died. He died peacefully at his home in Zennor, Cornwall, on 20 March 1999.



Stars of the week!

Key Stage 1



Lower Key Stage 2



Upper Key Stage 2

