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## Millfields@Climate Strike!



On Friday the 20th of September, a few people from Millfields Community School attended a climate strike - we went to Westminster to say to the government that enough is enough! Read more inside along with an article explaining the incredibly worrying effects of global warming that need to be urgently addressed.

**FUN  
FACT!**

The Stone age  
ended over 4000  
years ago!!

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# Climate Strike Exclusive

Why did members of Millfields Community School march to Westminster ?



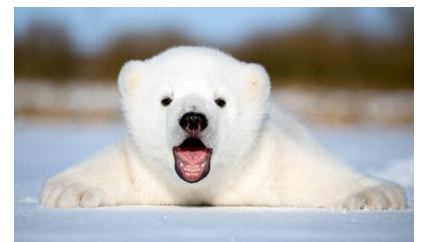
As you probably know, there are fires raging across the Amazon. Because of this fire, loads of different creatures are becoming extinct. We can help prevent these fires from happening if we raise awareness about global warming to our friends and family but also to our Government—this is why we marched to Westminster!

Global warming is a big problem around the world! Loads of people think that they know about global warming, but do they really? Global warming is not only about polar bears and penguins you know!

Sunlight comes shining in through the atmosphere as it passes through a blanket of greenhouse gases. It then touches down on Earth's surface, and the land and water absorb the energy from the sun.

When it has been absorbed it goes all the way back up to the atmosphere and causes infra-red rays. Some of it goes back to space but most of it is trapped in the atmosphere by greenhouse gases. This is what causes Earth to warm up and is called Global Warming!

This is only some of the examples. Global warming can affect us in many more ways...Can you think of any? There are also many different ways to help to stop global warming. - the Climate Strike was just one of them! The government is not listening and the PEOPLE want their VOICE HEARD!



By Logan McCann & Tahrira Islam

# Panic In The Stairwell!

Teachers race to stop major flooding incident occurring!



A major leak in one of the school's stairwells was recently discovered and reported to teachers; the leak was believed to be caused by bad weather, particularly an ongoing storm (and lack of funding from the government's budget for educational institutes). At the end, Teachers managed to reduce damage by putting boxes on the floor. At no point was children's safety affected.

For a few hours, there was no access to the stairwell. The writer (me) personally saw the incident and wants to congratulate the teachers for arriving quickly and stopping the leak. A special mention has to go out to Keli Tawiah whose mopping skills were absolutely heroic!

By Toby Bewick-Smith



Every Thursday after school with Rachel. Learn about the languages and culture of China. Please see the office for more details.

# Brexit - Suspension of Parliament

## How Boris Johnson's controversial Brexit plan started off

On Tuesday 24th of September 2019, the Supreme Court (the highest court in the country, made up of 12 judges) ruled that UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson's suspension of parliament was unlawful, and so parliament was reopened to allow MPs to debate further on Brexit.

### What is suspending parliament and why did the Prime Minister choose to do so?

On the 10th of September Boris Johnson, the Prime Minister, carried out his plan to suspend parliament which he had announced in late August. When parliament is suspended it means that MPs can no longer sit in parliament and debate the government's decisions.

This meant that they were not able to debate Brexit and try to push the government towards making a deal with the EU (European Union) and try to prevent a "no deal Brexit." Boris Johnson claimed that his choice to prorogue (suspend) parliament was to allow for a Queen's speech (an announcement of the government's plans for new laws).

### What did the supreme court say?

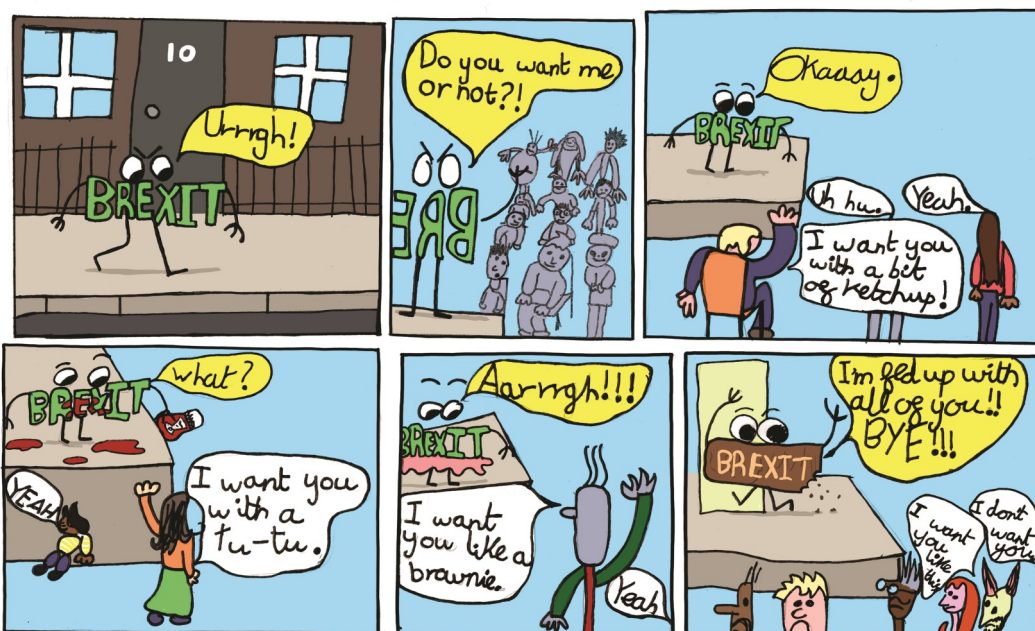
Lady Hale, wearing a wicked spider brooch, delivered the verdict saying: "The decision to advise her majesty to prorogue parliament was unlawful because it had the effect of frustrating or preventing the ability of parliament to carry out its constitutional functions."

### What happened next?

Boris Johnson had to cut short his trip to New York to return to parliament. He said that he "strongly disagrees" with the supreme court's decision but that he will respect it. Many MPs called for him to resign but he didn't even apologise about his "unlawful" behavior.

**UPDATE!** Currently, Boris has negotiated a deal on which parliament will potentially vote upon.

By Kit Crane



By Iolo Ap Sion

# Clapton Jumble Trail

A fantastic local community event that also supports the school



The Jumble Trail is an event that happens every year around Clapton, usually in September. It's your chance to get rid of all those unwanted boxes of stuff in your basement! This year, there were lots of people taking part, including our school, and lots of the pupils.

You can sell almost anything: home-made bakes; old school uniform and clothes; toys, books, records and CDs; and even furniture! It's a great way to meet all your neighbours and it's also great fun for kids - I know this because every year, I walk around with my friends, looking at everything and buying lots of cakes!

Each year, you can volunteer to have the local Alexander Knight Estate Agents to put up a sign in your front garden, advertising the Jumble Trail.

For each sign that they put up, Alexander Knight donates money to Millfields. This year £4,157 were raised for the school which is absolutely fantastic!

There are always lots of stalls, and you can always find something that you want. For instance, this year, I managed to buy a pair of roller skates and a packet of home-made fudge (which was delicious!). Plus, it's better for the environment, because you're not buying new things, wrapped up in lots and lots of plastic. Remember: **REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE!**

It's always great taking part in the Jumble Trail, and I'm really looking forward to next year!

By Sadie Milton

# Discipline—Victorian Style!

Y6 visit Ragged School Museum to experience life as Victorian Children



Earlier this term, the Year 6's went to the Ragged School Museum in Tower Hamlets, London. From what I heard (and based on my own experience), they all agreed that they had a good time, calling it a "realistic experience" and "good fun". Let me give you the rundown.

Firstly, you head up some creaky steps and head up to the classroom, where you experience a normal school day from the perspective of a normal Victorian child.

Upon entering the authentically Victorian classroom, you enter to see: an extremely strict teacher; a map where the projector screen should be; two whiteboards, one with a money system and the other with a date; and the alphabet.

The teacher, called Miss Perkins (real name Nikki), utterly dominates the lesson, controlling whether you sit down or not.

Quite honestly this is harder than any secondary school in Hackney. Seriously, people were getting shouted at back to back. The first lesson involved doing the alphabet in copper text followed by maths.

I am quite sure that some of my friends from other schools would completely cave in under that pressure. Additionally, this makes me almost appreciate my teachers a little bit more.

After lunch, we had an eerie final workshop about Victorian daily life. There was something sad about their lives including the fact that many people burnt themselves doing the washing up and broke fingers in dangerous mangles when washing clothes.

By Jonas Campbell

# Review: Captain Marvel

Just how good is the 21st instalment from the MCU?



Personally, I think that Captain Marvel, (the movie) is a brilliant film that shows that MARVEL is working incredibly hard - I can honestly say that they have done a great job of connecting this story to all the other Marvel films in the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU) in the past 10-20 years.

Initially, the film focuses on how the main character (Captain Marvel) is helping the good \*guys\* defeat the \*bad guys\*. However, she then she realises her true past with some help from a few friends and then starts helping the \*bad guys\* (now good guys) destroy the \*good guys\* (now bad guys).

There are some quite tense and scary parts and for this reason I would probably suggest this film is suitable for year 5 or year 6 +. (Additionally, adults will find this film enjoyable.)

It is a really good film and I would highly recommend this to people that love sci-fi, action & adventure and good humor movies.

In the end, I will give this film five stars as it is a real thriller and because it fits so well with other Marvel films even though it is basically just introduces a new character.

By Harris McGrandle



## Diversity Evening!

Thursday 17th October 5-7 PM

Featuring a Global Food market & songs and dances from different cultures around the world.

# 2018-19 Cycling Review

Millfields Community champions for fourth year running!



Last year was another great year for cycling at Millfields! Firstly for winning the Cycling League for the 4th year in a row and then the cycling team raising almost £2000 by doing a 50 mile sponsored bike ride last summer!

I asked one of my teammates [Harris] a few questions and he confirmed that his favorite race was the road race at the Velodrome, mainly because you can go really fast and that he won most of the races that he participated in there! He went on to add that he thought that our main rivals this year were going to be Jubilee Primary.

Personally, my favorite race over the year was also the road circuit at the Lee Valley Velodrome because I prefer to race on tarmac rather than grass.

This years first race was the Springfield park hill climb. Well done to all of the year 4's who took part and who participated in the selection trials at Hackney Downs. The table below show the final league positions.

By Lena Cade-Swindells

YHPSCL 18-19

Current League standing	School	HILL CLIMB 12-10	cross Hackney Downs 8-11	roller race 14-12	roller race 18-1	Lv Circuit race 1 1-3	LvV circuit 2 8-3	Grass track 10-5	Grass Track 14-6	Grass track 12-7	Total
1	Millfields	81	89	81	56	72	84	73	84	102	722
2	Jubilee	72	80	47	54	82	78	91	86	99	689
3	Parkwood	39	12	58	40	17	18	13	38		235
4	Gayhurst			20	26	40	37	41			164
5	Kingsmead	23	28	16	59	24					150
6	Mandeville	36	27	19	20	12	16				130
7	Olive	5	3	19	5	7	7	4	8	19	77
8	Southwold	38		10							48
9	Shacklewell				11			14			25
10	Orchard	19									19
11	Tyssen								17		17