

Millbrook Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

Please note that in the dates for diaries we return to school on Wednesday 4th January after the Christmas break. This has been reported incorrectly in previous newsletters and I am sorry if it has caused any inconvenience.

Next week the children will have the opportunity to showcase their talents at our two talent shows. There is always a rich variety of activities and it is great to see the range of talent and how confident the children are particularly some of our younger ones.

On Friday we will be taking part in our very first Christmas jumper day but with a difference. Children can decorate their own top in Christmas fashion - tinsel, snowmen, Christmas trees - be as creative as you can. We are asking for a £1 contribution (on top of school fund) as we are trying to raise money to buy books for a new reading room we are creating.

Thank you to parents who have responded to recent letters regarding school fund. We have spent on average £8 per child this term and we need school fund so we can buy party food, presents and prizes next week. Every penny collected is spent on the children. JMMaloney

Child of the Week

Below are the nominations for last week

Nursery am – Amelia Burke
Nursery pm – Sophie Noble
Class 1 – Riley Grimes
Class 2 – Isobel Wilkinson
Class 3 – Charlie Saunders
Class 4 – Stephen Hardwick
Class 7 - Daisy Ireland
Class 8 – Mika Smith
Class 9 – Roseanne Browning
Class 10 – Alfie Barrington
Class 11 – Kacey Howard
Mrs Williams – James Coburn

Happy Birthday

11th December – Louis Wright (11)
12th December – James Armstrong (8)
12th December – Archie Morley (4)
12th December – Maya Nelson (10)
12th December – Charlie Price (5)
13th December- Lee Crean (8)
15th December – Grace Henderson (10)
17th December – Alexis Bride (9)
17th December – Maxwell Joinson (8)
17th December - Finn Williams (7)



Smarter Power Competition

Class 8,9,10 and 11 are taking part in a competition which challenges them to create a comic strip to show how families can save energy. The national winner will win a £50,000 energy makeover for their school. Other prizes include: a trip to London's Science museum, £25,000 energy makeover, iPads and tablets – lots of prizes on offer.

Term Dates 2016- 17

Autumn term 2016

Tues 6th Sep – Wed 21st Dec

Spring term 2017

Wed 4th Jan– Friday 31st March

Half term – Mon 13th – Frid 17th Feb

Summer term 2017

Mon 18th Apr – Thur 20th Jul

Half term – Frid 26th May (inclusive) – Frid 3rd Jun

May Day bank holiday – Mon 1st May

Infant Nativity Tickets

Thank you to all parents who have purchased tickets for our nativity plays next week. We have spent over £300 on costumes and some props for the children so they look spectacular. Over the past few years we have improved our performances through purchasing a stage, coloured lights and last year - black out blinds. The school budget doesn't stretch to such items so it is great that parents support this fundraising initiative.

Dates for Diaries

Mon 12th Dec- Christmas Choir sing at Millview

Tues 13th Dec – Infant Carols and Nativity – 2:15pm, Christmas Craft session for Year 5 and 6 parents 1:45pm.

Wed 14th Dec- Infant Carols and Nativity – 2:15pm

Thurs 15th Dec- Children's Christmas Lunch, Talent Show 1

Frid 16th Dec – Nursery Christmas party – 9:00am, Christmas (or Sparkly/decorated top) day. £1 additional contribution for reading books, Talent Show 2

Mon 19th Dec - Infant party (children can wear party clothes to school)

Tues 20th Dec – Junior party (children can wear party clothes to school)

Wed 21st Dec – New nursery intake day, School closed at 2:00pm

Weekly Attendance

Overall weekly attendance is very slowly improving (94.7%).

1 st	Class 4 – 97.2%
2 nd	Class 2 – 96.7%
3 rd	Class 11 – 95.9%
4 th	Class 8 – 95.2%
5 th	Class 3 – 95.0%
6 th	Class 9 – 94.8%
7 th	Class 1 – 94.5%
8 th	Class 10 – 93.20
9 th	Class 7 – 90.4%

3 classes
96%

Christmas Choir

On Monday 12th December, the Christmas Choir will be visiting Millview Residential Home with Mrs Maloney and Mrs McKuhen, singing a range of carols and songs.

School Nurse Drop In
We have moved the school nurse drop in sessions to 9:15am rather than 3:00pm. Parents can come into school after dropping children off and have an informal chat with the nurse gaining valuable health advice for their families. Look out for the dates in the new year. This is a valuable resource – no appointments!

Clubs

Both the Year 2 Games Club and Year 6 Youth club are finished for this term and will resume in the new year. All other clubs will finish next week.