

# Millbrook Newsletter



Dear Parents,

*This week governors have been delighted with the improvements we have made in attendance. Our overall persistent absences have reduced by 3% since September and overall Spring attendance showed a 1.4% improvement on the Autumn term. Mrs Bocking has worked really hard to bring in new ideas and rewards for attendance. I would like to thank all parents for supporting us by ensuring their child comes to school regularly. We can safely say that in every case where children have improved their attendance - their attainment has risen also.*

*We have currently been booking end of year trips and have found that trips are now costing £20 per child. The school fund contributions will not stretch that far so we are doing some fundraising to match the price. The first is a £1 contribution towards the Royal Wedding Celebrations. Lots of work over the next few weeks will concentrate on this theme and what it is to be British including looking at some British role models.*

*The Year 6 Breakfast club starts on Monday at 8.00 am we hope all Year 6 will be able to attend.*  
JM Maloney

## Child of the Week – last two weeks

Nursery am – Samuel Devine & Hannah McDermott  
Nursery pm – Phoebe Kilpatrick & Jack Wockenforth  
Class 1 - Hannah Bailey & Class 1  
Class 2 - Lorenzo Brabin & Laila Davies  
Class 3 – Jasmine Testa & James Roach  
Class 4 – Andrew James & Max Seary  
Class 7 – Tiyah Leslie-Vaughan & Dylan Crookham  
Class 8 – Lee Crean & Class 8  
Class 9 – Harrison Smith & Christie-Leigh Quinn  
Class 10 – Cam'ron Flynn, Paul Hilditch & Joel Maxwell  
Class 11 – Grace Armstrong & Rachel Parr  
Mrs William's – Tilly Robinson, Madi McGrath, Evie McKenna & Warren Lloyd  
Mrs McKuhen's – Amelia Lafferty & Alfie Joinson  
Mrs Chambers – Liam Balmer & Poppy Jackson

## Happy Birthday

13<sup>th</sup> May – Antonia Ventre-Paul (10)  
15<sup>th</sup> May – Sienna Harvey (5)  
20<sup>th</sup> May – Mika Smith – (10)  
21<sup>st</sup> May – Liam Butchard (6)  
22<sup>nd</sup> May – Jenna Neely (11)



## PSA – Parent Staff Association

On Tuesday our parent and staff met and renamed the PTA – PSA. This is to reflect the membership of the association which includes parents and staff members. Below are the committee nominations:

Chair – Jayne Seary  
Vice Chair – Angela Brown  
Secretary – Nicky Gallagher  
Treasurer – Carol Rogers

The members have some fantastic ideas of ways to further improve our school – new visual communication resources and new playtime structures. They have also helped to organise spare uniforms and planned for more events at the Summer Fayre. We encourage more parents to become involved as you can help shape the future of your child's school. The next meeting is on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 9:00am. Come along, enjoy a cuppa and share ideas with our parents and staff. The more parents involved, the more activities we can plan for the children at Millbrook.

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May, we are holding a **Royal Wedding Party** to celebrate the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. Children may dress up as princes or princesses or wear anything involving read, white or blue. Children will be asked to bring £2 on that day. £1 for school fund and £1 towards the cost of end of year trips. All classes will have a party in the afternoon.

## School Term Dates 2017/18

### Summer term

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July  
(Half term – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
(Closed for staff training – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June)

## Dates for diaries

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 Breakfast club starts and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling test  
**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 Reading test**  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May - Mathematics Paper 1 and 2, C7 at Kirkby High School for music  
**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Mathematics Paper 3**  
Mon 21<sup>st</sup> May – Year 6 Mersey Travel day, PSA (Parent Staff Association) meeting 9:00am  
**Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Year 6 Speed Awareness am, Family Learning for dads – Puppet making**  
Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May – C7 at Kirkby High School for music, Year 3 boys' football – Anfield Sport Centre  
**Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> May – Royal Wedding Party. Break up at 3:15pm**  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> June – Return to school – 8:50am, Young Carers Assembly

Class 8 are winners, they have won free places at the Literacy Film Festival as they have written fantastic mystery stories and even filmed them.

The PSA are organising a clothing collection to raise money for school. A letter will be sent out and the clothes will be collected early June so please keep any unwanted items.

Well done to our Early Years staff for a successful week. On Wednesday the nursery children visited 'Storybarns' and members of the public were amazed by their fantastic behaviour. On the same day Mrs Caruana and Ms Gray met with Local Authority Early Years moderators to look at the children's achievements and how it is evidenced. This was a huge success and all staff have worked very hard towards it. Class 1 and 2 were treated to Storybarns on Thursday and had a lovely day with good dry weather. Once again the children were fantastic.

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## Attendance

Well done to Class 7 who had the highest attendance for the week before last - 100% and Class 11 who won last week – 98.6%. The overall attendance for the past two weeks has been fantastic – 96% and 95.2% respectively, fantastic. Well done to Jack Duckworth and Charlie Price who won our infant draw and Megan Butchard and Evie McKenna who won the junior draw for our 100% weekly attendance £10 voucher.

**Year 6 will be starting their National Curriculum tests on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. Year 2 started theirs last week and they will continue throughout May. Please ensure your child attends school every day punctually at 8:50am. Plenty of sleep and healthy food will help your child achieve the best possible results.**