

Millbrook Newsletter



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Attendance
Well done to Class 11 who had the highest attendance for week beginning 13th May 100% and Class 3 who won the last week of term- 99.2%. Congratulations to Jack Wockenforth and Skyler Cunningham who won our infant draw. Dan Brown & Kyran Bates won the junior draw for our 100% weekly attendance £10 voucher.

Own Clothes Day
14th June is own clothes day for our Summer Fayre. Can Infants bring in unwanted gifts and Juniors bottles. Thank you.

PE Kits
As we come to the final half term, we are requesting the parents donate any PE kits in good condition that their child has outgrown at the end of term. Pumps or trainers that are in good condition can be donated too. This will help the school supply kits when children have lost or forgotten them. Thank you.

Dear Parents,

In a couple of weeks, Year 6 pupils will be visiting Kingswood Adventure Centre for a range of activities during their three day residential. The Year 6 pupils who are not attending will be doing some exciting things in school as well as going out for lunch! We aim to make their school experience fun and exciting just like their peers.

We have placed an article in the newsletter about PE kits and I would also urge parents to donate any school ties their child doesn't need at the end of the term particularly Year 6 children who will be moving on to high school.

During June, pupils in Year 1, 3, 4 and 5 will be completing standardised tests. It is vital that all children are in every day as teachers have to complete some tests in groups according to the child's needs and absence is particularly disruptive. It also means, absent children may have to complete their tests on their own when they return while pupils in their class are doing more fun things. The Summer term is the busiest term in the whole year. Full attendance is vital.

Thank you to all parents who have supported teachers with extra funding towards the cost of trips. We are all aware how much costs keep rising.

Happy Birthday

24th May – Riley Brugnoli-Vinten (8)
25th May – Joseph Scott (4)
28th May – Faith Ireland (7)
2nd June – Frankie Bohan (4)
2nd June – Aimee Price (9)
2nd June – Pauline Price (9)
3rd June – Mylie Ireland (6)
4th June – Paddy McCutcheon (4)
5th June – Freddie Hunter (5)
7th June – Ria McVerry (8)
7th June – Charlie Smith (7)
7th June – Anthony Wilson (7)
9th June – Ava Winterson (7)
10th June- Jamie Taylor (8)
10th June –Kayden Travis (7)
11th June – Louis Pybis (10)
13th June – Lexi Jones (5)
13th June – Samantha Parr (10)
15th June- Mya Hutchinson (6)
15th June – Joshua Wilson (7)
16th June – Aimee Broda (11)
16th June – Maisie Hing (4)
16th June – Sienna Pike (8)
17th June – Jonathan Bell (6)
20th June – Lillia-Rose Harwood (10)



Dates for diaries

Mon 10th June – Year 1 phonic screening check begins (all week)
Tues 11th June – Class 8 at Kirkby Library & Gallery, Y6 at KHS – Music
Wed 12th June – C10 at Edge Hill for Computing course – all day, 1:45pm Year 3 / 4 Science Parent workshops
Thurs 13th June – Class 9 at World Museum – 60's, Class 1 at Kirkby Library
Friday 14th June – Own clothes day
Mon 17th June – Staff training day (school shut)
Wed 19th June – Y6 leave for Kingswood – 1:00pm approx., C10 – Coding club
Frid 21st June – Year 6 back from Kingswood 2:30pm
Mon 24th June – Class 3 & 4 trip to Ice Cream Farm, Nursery Zumba Dance session
Tues 25th June – Kirkby Celebration of Achievement

Summer Retirement

At the end of this term, Mrs Gittins who has been the Learning Mentor for over sixteen years' is retiring from Millbrook to take a well-earned rest with her husband. Mrs Gittins is very well liked and respected amongst staff, parents and pupils and this will be a hard role to follow. We are sure you will all join us in wishing her well at the end of this term.

Attendance

Summer term attendance has been really poor as Mrs Bocking pointed out this week. The curriculum for pupils which changed in 2016 is now much harder for pupils and teachers struggle to fit in all that is expected in the thirty eight school weeks. When pupils keep missing odd days from school or taking weeks for holidays **they miss out on education that is not caught up with**. We cannot keep going back for pupils who are absent. Whilst some parents may think that a cheaper holiday in term time is beneficial to the family, it is not beneficial for a child who has gaps in their learning and struggles to keep up with peers.

Summer Term Dates 2019

Break up - Wednesday 24th July
(Closed for staff training – Monday 17th June)

Single Use Plastic

This week, Class 8 presented a booklet full of letters they had written, pleading with Mrs Maloney to ban single use plastic at Millbrook, in a bid to protect the environment. Mrs Maloney was so inspired by their letters that she has begun to look at how we can do this. One immediate task is to ban disposable plastic cups from school. Class 8 have all replaced their water bottles with long lasting durable ones available in supermarkets. It would be wonderful if all classes could follow this model. Parents you can help. Millbrook pupils could lead the way for the future.

Child of the Week

Nursery am –Eva Marsden & Paddy McCutcheon
Nursery pm– Oliver Jones & Faith Doran
Class 1 – Alice McCormack & Hollie Lyons
Class 2 – Poppy Cooper & Orion Schiller
Class 3- Amelia Burke & Violet-May Naylor
Class 4 –Millie Butler & Lucas Shirley
Class 7 – Megan Clensy & Jamie Taylor
Class 8 – Sienna Pike & Phoebe Gibbs
Class 9 – All of Class 9 & Chase Brugnoli-Vinten
Class 10 – Ella-Mae Wylie & All of Class 10 Y6
Class 11 – Mika Smith & All of Year 6
Mrs Williams –Joel Maxwell
Mrs Chambers– James Roach & Maisie Gordon
Mrs McKuhen – Ryley Delaney & Jett Farley