

Millbrook Newsletter



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Attendance
Well done Class 4 with 96.9%. Overall attendance was 92.9%. Pupils who are isolating because of COVID-19, are not counted for in these percentages. Congratulations to Harley Downes, Charlie A'Barrow, Pauline Price & Tilly McGarvey who won the vouchers for 100%

Year 2 Phonic Check
On 25th November, Year 2 will start to undertake an individual phonic check. This is because they missed their Year 1 phonic check in June. The government requires all Year 2 to be assessed during this period and results will be sent to the local authority and Department for Education.

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the parents who have supported us with kind comments during this very challenging week. I know a number of parents were confused about adult movement around the school and I wanted to take this opportunity to explain to you how we run our school, to ensure we try as far as possible to keep everyone safe and meet the needs of all our children.

The guidance for schools reopening in September states: 'all teachers and other staff can operate across different classes and different year groups in order to facilitate the delivery of curriculum.' If teaching assistants or lunchtime supervisors are off, we have to move staff from other areas of the school in order to operate safely and meet the needs of children. At times, a member of staff has to leave during the day, as their child's school calls and says they must be picked up and immediately isolate. Since the start of term we have lost 95 days of support staff and 25 days of teaching staff due to COVID-19 issues.

Last week, a member of staff was moved to meet urgent needs in two classes, due to an unexpected absence during the day, after school had already started. If we can't do this, then we would be sending classes home in the middle of the day, several times each week which is not legal and would cause chaos. All staff now wear visors in classes and face masks / visors in corridors etc. All are asked to try to keep 2 metres distance. We have been very lucky so far with a virus which is causing havoc throughout the world. It is really unfortunate that so many children were affected but the decisions we made were in their best interest. We have no way of knowing if, when or where the virus will appear.

I would like to thank the staff who worked tirelessly Monday evening all day Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, organising ninety work packs and packing twenty laptops and food parcels then delivering them to pupil homes.

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Happy Birthday

9th Nov – Mason Hull (6)
10th Nov – Ava Gallagher (8)
10th Nov – Alex Kelly (8)
11th Nov – Oliver Armstrong (5)
12th Nov – Poppy Daley (5)
13th Nov – Georgia Daniels (5)
13th Nov – Annie-Rose Price (10)
14th Nov – Eva Noble (7)
14th Nov – Sophia Noble (7)
15th Nov – Anthony Bennett (7)
16th Nov – James Bowman (6)
17th Nov – Amelia Burke (8)
17th Nov – Leighton Robinson (8)
19th Nov – Alex Hewitt (11)
22nd Nov – Henry Williams (10)
25th Nov – Star Wood (7)



School Term Dates 2020 – 21

Autumn term 2020

Break up - Friday 18th December

Spring term 2021

Mon 4th Jan – Friday 26th March

Half term – Mon 15th – Fri 19th February

Summer term 2021

Mon 12th April – Friday 16th July

Bank holiday – Mon 3rd May

Half term – Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Closed for staff training – Monday 14th June)

After School Clubs

Further guidance has been issued about after school clubs in the current national restrictions.

As a result, our LFC Foundations Sports Club and KS1 dance will resume from next week. Both clubs take pupils from only one bubble in accordance with our risk assessment and both providers ensure they were face masks and keep two metres distance. All equipment used is wiped down.

Dates for diaries

Mon 16th Nov – Anti – Bullying week 'United Against Bullying,' begins – Odd Sock's Day
Thurs 19th Nov - CLC – Class 2 – Shape
Mon 23rd Nov – Class 8 Circus Dress up day
Wed 25th Nov – Year 2 phonic check begins
Thurs 26th Nov – CLC – C4 – Code a story
Thurs 3rd Dec – CLC – C3 – My Friend the Robot
Friday 18th Dec – Class Christmas Parties

Anti- Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and the theme is 'United Against Bullying.' To start off our week, we are asking all children to take part in the 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 16th November. We look forward to seeing the array of different socks and working together to stamp out bullying.

Child of the Week

Nursery – Lottie Ireland & Archie Conneely
Class 1 – Alanna – Jayne Smith & Bobbie Johnston
Class 2 – Amy-Leigh Hall & Maisie Hing
Class 3 - Maya Barnes & Hannah Boorne
Class 4 Lily-Rose Fitzpatrick & Lexi Jones
Class 7 Leah Boorne & Isabelle Butler
Class 8 Dolly-May Hines & Harvey Adams
Class 9 Henry Williams & Millie Butler
Class 10 Morgan Shelley & Jacob Fisher
Class 11 Liam Balmer & Isabella Ingoglia
Mrs Rowland – Lexie Howard
Ann McKuhen – Hannah Boorne & Poppy Daley

At Family Learning, we have had to adapt with the times. As we know that lots of you like to participate in our Christmas craft sessions, we have put together a Christmas Craft pack for you to do with your child/ children at home. To request your pack, all you need to do is contact me directly on the details below. You will complete the activities with your child/ children at home. If you are interested in taking part, please contact me directly on: 07825117482 or email me on ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk

All COVID related absence report to – covid@millbrookprimaryknowsley.co.uk