

# Millbrook Newsletter

Dear Parents,

After a very difficult school year, it is lovely to see so many events in school over the last half term. All classes have an Educational Visit which is COVID secure and within their bubble.

Many of Year 6 will be attending Kingswood next week for their three-day residential. The pupils who are not attending have three days off the 'normal' curriculum. Staff have planned some lovely creative activities for the pupils, so we are sure they'll have a lovely time.

This week I have written about the importance of regular attendance at school especially in the light of so much missed learning. Every single year group in our school are below Knowsley borough averages for the year groups. Only Year 2 are close (Millbrook 94.6%, Knowsley average 95.8%). It is vital we improve attendance in all year groups and ensure children arrive at school on time. Too many are missing learning and lessons regularly.

It has been lovely that at last we have had some warmer and brighter weather. Please remember to apply sunscreen to your child each morning and ensure they have a bottle for water in school.

JM Maloney

## Child of the Week (past two weeks)

Nursery am – All nursery & Jack

Nursery pm – All nursery & Oscar

Class 1 – Jake & Oscar

Class 2 – Beatriz & Olivia

Class 3 – Maya, Oliver & Isaac

Class 4 – Sonny & Deacon

Class 7 – Anthony & Preslava

Class 8 – Charlie & Amber

Class 9 - Luna & Jett

Class 10 – Cole, Ruby & Phoebe Gibbs

Class 11 – Finn & Aimee

Mrs Williams – Aimee

Mrs McKuhen – Charlie & Lewis

Mrs Yanez – Jett & Charlie

## Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following pupils who are celebrating their birthday between 13<sup>th</sup> June and 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
Class 2 - Maisie & Beatriz  
Class 4 - Lexi  
Class 7 - Preslava, Mya & Jonathan  
Class 8 - Joshua  
Class 10 – Sienna



## Lockdown Uncertainty

As you are all aware, there is a great deal of uncertainty about when lockdown restrictions will be removed. Schools get information at exactly the same time as the general public – usually a prime minister TV announcement. This makes planning for the rest of this term very difficult. Currently our risk assessments (in line with government guidance) prohibit several things such as audiences and groups in school. Once we can return to 'normal' life, it will take time for school to organise things and we ask for your patience in this. The children have done really well adapting to life in a bubble and ultimately we will have to 'retrain' them in sharing resources, playgrounds, toilets etc. Corridors have been cleared and many resources put away. School has an INSET day during the summer when we hope (if national guidance allows) to get our school back to normal for September. Lunches have to be ordered in advanced so this is another area we would have to organise. Once we have new guidance from the government, we will share this with all parents immediately.

## School Term Dates 2020 – 21

*Summer term 2021*

Mon 12th April – Friday 16th July  
*Closed for staff training – Mon 14<sup>th</sup> June*  
Back to school – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

## Dates for diaries

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Jun – School **closed** for staff training

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Jun – Y4 Multiplication Table Check week, C9 Edge Hill University project, C8 to Walton Hall, Y5 EFC football tournament**

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Jun – Y6 Kingswood visit (remaining Y6 fun activities all day)

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Jun - Y6 Kingswood visit (remaining Y6 fun activities all day), Y2 Big Bus Road Safety**

Frid 18<sup>th</sup> Jun – Y6 return from Kingswood

**Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Jun - C9 Edge Hill University project, Y5 EFC football tournament**

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Jun – C1 & 2 to Imagine That

**Frid 25<sup>th</sup> Jun – C3 to Knowsley Safari Park**

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Jun – C4 to Knowsley Safari Park

**Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Jun - C9 Edge Hill University project, Celebration of Achievement event**

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jul – Gang Prevention Y6,

**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Jul – Gang Prevention Y6**

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Jul – C10 & 11 to Crocky Trail

**Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Jul – C9 to Crocky Trail, C7 Forest School Lumbroke Valley, Gang Prevention Y6**

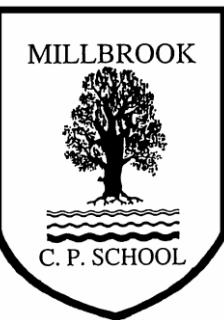
Frid 9<sup>th</sup> Jul - C3 to Crosby beach, Gang Prevention Y6

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> – Y6 – Health talk with School Nurse**

Frid 16<sup>th</sup> Jul – Leaver's Service 10:00am – details to follow.

## School Rules and Health & Safety

All children with longer hair should have their hair tied up. This is to ensure safety in school and to reduce head lice transmission. Please ensure your child adheres to this rule.



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## Rainbow Childcare

Rainbow childcare- for further information 0151 548 0893 [info@rainbowchildcare.kirkby.org.uk](mailto:info@rainbowchildcare.kirkby.org.uk).

## Attendance

Well done to Class 4 who won attendance two weeks prior to half term with 99.3% and Class 3 for the week before half term – 97.8%. Overall whole school attendance was a very disappointing 92.7%. We must start to improve this over this half term and the next academic year. Pupils have missed too much schooling through national lockdowns and need to be in school every single day to help ensure they have all the knowledge they need as they move to their next phase. We cannot fill gaps if they are off school.