

Millbrook Newsletter



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Attendance

Attendance for the past two weeks has been 94.7% and 95.0% respectively. Our current Spring overall attendance is slightly behind the national average (0.3%). Year 1 and Year 6 pupils have higher attendance compared to national average since the start of the year. Our last weekly winners were Class 8 & 10 who achieved 96.1% and Class 11 who achieved 99.3% last week. Congratulations to Max, Lilly-May, Phoebe and Charlie (KS1 and 2 respectively) who won our 100% attendance £10 weekly Amazon voucher for coming to school every day on time.

Dear Parents,

This week has been a challenging week for our school with rising COVID cases. Thank you to parents who have tested their children. This helps to minimise any outbreak and avoid more education disruption. If your child has COVID and tests negative on day 5 and 6, can you please let office staff know before they return to school? This helps reduce anxiety and avoids us contacting you.

When classes reach 5 cases, we must put measures in to reduce the risk of further spread. This results in the class being placed in a bubble and avoiding any mixing of pupils. Assemblies are put on hold and pupils of classes affected are not allowed to attend after school clubs which involve mixing with other classes. By Wednesday next week, I will be able to review cases and decide if we can lift the restrictions we have put in place.

As a school, we need to rapidly respond to public health advice and there have been 68 cases since we returned after new year, which is the highest since the start of the pandemic. Since we returned after the February half term there have been 29 cases.

We are confident that children will develop the antibodies necessary to fight future infections. I would like to thank our amazing staff who have covered numerous roles over the past three weeks from teaching whole classes, opening closing the school, doing extra duties, and ensuring gate duties are covered. Hopefully with lighter nights and better weather, we can look forward to smoother days. JM Maloney

Child of the week

Nursery – Lottie & Barney
Class 1 – Laura & Albie
Class 2- Olly & Jack
Class 3 – Charlie & Amber
Class 4 – Charlotte & Jack
Class 7 – Anthony & Sophia
Class 8 – Eva & Mylie
Class 9 -Laila & Ryley
Class 10 – Olivia & Max
Class 11 – Riley & Annie
Mrs Williams – Ria & Jett
Mrs McKuhen – Hannah
Mrs Chambers – Mya & Hannah

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following pupils who are celebrating their birthdays between 18th and 30th March.



Nursery – Lyla-Lou
Class 1 – William
Class 8 – Isabella
Class 9 – Tilly & James
Class 11 - Megan

Red Nose Day Update

Thank you to everyone who supported Red Nose Day. We will let you know the winning class with the most silver as soon as possible. Red Noses have been selling fast all week and we were overwhelmed by the support for our cake sale. We were able to deliver cakes safely to bubbles so no child missed out. Children looked great today dressed as both superheroes and local heroes.

Swimming

Over the next two weeks, Classes 9, 10 and 11 will take part in swimming lessons every day (except on Fridays). All pupils will need to bring a costume and a towel and long hair will need to be tied back and placed under a bathing cap. Bathing caps can be purchased from Kirkby Leisure Centre at a cost of £4.60. Parents may find cheaper caps elsewhere. As usual children will walk to the Leisure Centre, so they need to be at school on time and parents need to check the weather to ensure pupils are suitably dressed (coats and footwear).

School Term Dates

Thurs 6th Jan – Friday 8th April
Summer term 2022
Mon 25th April – Tuesday 19th July
Bank holiday – Mon 2nd May
Half term – Fri 27th May – Fri 3rd June
Closed for staff training – Monday 14th June

Dates for diaries

Mon 21st Mar – Kabs Kids, Parent Review Meeting
Tues 22nd Mar – Parent Review Meeting
Wed 23rd Mar – C8 at KHS for Drama
Thurs 24th – C11, CLC
Frid 25th Mar – Science Day with Starchaser visit to school
Mon 28th Mar – Swimming begins for Class 9, 10 and 11
Tues 19th Mar – Swimming
Wed 30th Mar – Swimming, C8 at KHS for Drama
Thurs 31st Mar – Swimming –
Frid 1st April – All Easter Egg Designs to be in
Mon 4th Apr – Swimming, Easter Bonnet final
Tues 5th Apr- Swimming, Reception hearing Screening
Wed 6th Apr – Swimming, C8 at KHS for Drama
Thurs 7th Apr - Swimming
Frid 8th Apr – Break up for Easter.
Mon 25th Apr- Return, KS1 100% Attendance Party
Tues 26th Apr – KS2 100% Attendance Party
Wed 27th Apr – C8 at KHS for Drama



Easter Activities



After over two years without, we are holding an Easter Bonnet Competition for all pupils at Millbrook. If your child wishes to take part, bonnets must be in school by 4th April. We will hold the Easter Bonnet Parades in class. All photos taken will go on Class Dojo for children and parents to see. The winners of the Easter Bonnet Parade will win an Easter Egg. We are also holding a 'Design an Easter Egg Competition' supported by **Vision for Education**. All designs need to be in school by 1st April. Once again prizes for the best design will be Easter Goodies