

Millbrook Newsletter



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School Term Dates 23-24

Autumn 2023

Term ends:
 Thur 21st December

Spring term 2024

Pupils return
Thu 4th January
 Half term
 Mon 12th –Frid 16th Feb
Pupils return
Mon 19th February
 Term ends:
 Thurs 28th March

Summer term 2024

Pupils return
Mon 15th April
 May Day - Mon 6th May
 Half term
 Mon 27th May– Tues 4th June
Pupils return
Wed 5th June
 Term ends:
 Frid 19th July

Dates for diaries

Mon 20th Nov – TT Rockstars Assembly
Tues 21st Nov – Cross Country Race All Saints
Wed 22nd Nov – Chestnut & Sycamore trip to Cineworld, Hazel at KHS for Geography, Elm class Family Learning Phonics, Parent review 3:30 – 5:30pm
Thurs 23rd Nov – CLC Willow Making Games, St Helen's Cheer & Dance Chestnut & Sycamore, Parent Review 3:30 – 6:00pm
Frid 24th Nov – Y5 & 6 Science Quiz, TT Rockstars Celebration
Mon 27th Nov – Advent Assembly (Rev. Lea)
Tues 28th Nov -Winter Road Show Knowsley Safari Y3 – 6,
Wed 29th Nov - Hazel at KHS for Geography, Thurs 30th Nov – Cherry & Cedar Martin Mere trip, NHS check Reception & Y6, St Helen's Cheer/ Dance Chestnut & Sycamore,
Frid 1st Dec – Christingle Y6 St Chad's Church 10:00am
Mon 4th Dec - Year 6 Getawayngetsafe – gangs programme
Tues 5th – Cross Country Race

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following pupils who celebrate their birthdays between 17th and 30th November.



Pine – Alessia
 Cedar – Rares & Annie
 Willow – Oscar
 Cherry – Bailey
 Hazel – Star
 Sycamore – Amelia, Leighton & Maisie



Attendance

Attendance has continued to improve with 94.9% and 95.3% over the past two weeks. We are much closer to the national average now. Well done everyone, let us aim to continue this. Winning classes for best attendance over the past two weeks were Elm and Willow class both with 99.1% and 99.0% respectively. Our 100% attendance £10 Amazon vouchers were won by: Amelia & Sienna (EYFS), Hayden & Daniel (KS1) and Luca and Oscar (KS2). Well done to these children. **Good attendance (96%+) is vital to ensuring children achieve well at school.**

Dear Parents,

It has been a very wet second half term so far. However, this has not stopped us going out of school to swimming and Kirkby Gallery. Our swimming plan went very well with increased numbers of children being able to swim to the national standard.

Now that the Modular classroom for Cherry class is complete with the pathways etc, the Local Authority have approved contractors to complete the canopy which will protect children in the modular class during bad weather when they cross over to the main building. This building work has been out of school control as it is a local authority project, but we hope the this will commence soon.

The Local Authority Plan to raise Millbrook's Admission number for September 2025 from 40 to 45 pupils per year group. As a result, there are major school building changes that are going to take place. Work will be commencing this academic year in preparation, and I will keep you posted as I hear of more developments.

Numbers at Millbrook have continued to grow over the past four years and plans to increase are in place right up to 2032! Great for the school future.

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Child of the Week

Blossom – Archie, Esmae, Darcie & Paige
Elm – All of Elm class & Bobby
Pine – All of Pine class & Louis
Cedar – Annie & Reuben
Willow – Mason & All of Willow
Cherry – Elisha & Emily
Maple – Alana-Jayne & Georgia
Holly – All of Holly & Isaac
Hazel – Beatriz & Laila
Chestnut – Lexi & Jack
Sycamore – Mya & Alfie
Mrs Williams – Sienna & Mikey
Mrs Chambers – Alice & Isabelle
 Miss Gray – Loghan

TT Rockstars

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England. The competition will be for children in **Maple, Holly, Hazel, Chestnut, and Sycamore**. The competition runs from 07:30 Tuesday 14th November 2023 to 19:30 Thursday 16th November. It is all done online via play.ttrockstars.com. Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class, and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average. To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of **60-minutes per player**. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60-minutes between the above dates and times. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition. In the spirit of the competition, please do not play on the children's behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it does not cause high stress levels or impact on family plans.