



Friday 19th January 2018

A message from Miss Mansfield...

The spring term is well underway and it has been wonderful to see so many of you attending workshops, courses and meetings already this term so that you can find out more about how you can support your children's learning. I am pleased that we are offering evening sessions as well—this has proved successful with a significant number of you attending.

The building and refurbishment project is progressing well and I am preparing a buildings update to let you know what has been completed, work in progress and what is still to come.

Traffic and parking at the front of the school on Mill End Road is a constant cause of concern and seems to have become much worse recently. I am particularly disturbed by parents who do not comply with parking restrictions on the road, persist in parking on site and are aggressive or even abusive to staff and other parents who are doing their best to keep children safe. Needless to say this is only a handful of parents but it lets us all down. I trust our updated Travel Plan, which is in the process of being developed, and a redeveloped forecourt with fencing and gates will help to address the issues.

I would like to congratulate the staff, especially Mr Dodd and Mrs Taylor, for enabling the school to achieve the National Nurturing Award—fantastic!

Scooters—plea from Foundation Stage

As we love scooting and riding in the Foundation Stage! If anyone has any scooters or ride on toys that they no longer need (and are still in good condition) we would love them for the Nursery and Reception children.



Attendance figures

To date

Attendance Percentage	Class
96.5 %	4GW
95.9 %	5YA
95.4 %	4SS
95.3 %	3EB
95.1 %	6NH
94.5 %	2RG
94.4 %	5LD
94.3 %	3SI
94.1 %	6SZ
94 %	2AC
92.6 %	2AR
92 %	1CU
91.9 %	1SJ
91.8 %	RKR
91 %	RCE
90.2 %	RBM
87.5 %	1AA

Y6 Netball tournament at Ash Hill Primary School

On Tuesday, we entered into a netball tournament at Ash Hill Primary School.

Despite the team only recently coming together the team played extremely well and did our school proud. They won 2 out of 5 games.

Their teamwork and sportsmanship were brilliant. Well done all.

Bad weather

We would like to remind parents what will happen should bad weather require the school to close. If it is deemed necessary to close the school a text message will automatically be sent to the main, designated contact which we have on file for each child.

In addition to sending text messages, we will update our website and are also required to inform Bucks County Council of any closure. They publish the information on their website. www.bucksgov.uk

Millbrook Combined School in Wycombe to receive UK 'National Nurturing School Award' from Steve Baker MP



On the 12th January at 2.30pm, Millbrook Combined School will be one of the first ever schools, and second in High Wycombe, to receive the 'National Nurturing Schools Award' in the UK. This accolade is awarded to schools who demonstrate exemplary practice in embedding a nurturing culture throughout their school, enhancing teaching and learning by focusing on emotional needs and development in a whole-school environment.

The National Nurturing School Award is awarded to schools who successfully complete the National Nurturing Schools Programme, a two-year course to develop and embed a nurturing culture throughout the school. Three Towers is one of the first schools in the UK to complete the Programme and to receive the Award.

Local MP and Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union, Steve Baker MP, will join the Nurture Group Network, to present the award to Headteacher Debra Mansfield.

Speaking ahead of the Award presentation, Headteacher Debra Mansfield said:

"We are thrilled to be one of the first schools in the UK to receive the National Nurturing School Award. We have seen how the principles of nurture, which have been embedded in our practice, have helped children to thrive. The approach ensures all of our children are ready and able to learn and to face the challenges modern society presents them with on a daily basis.

Chief Executive of the Nurture Group Network, Kevin Kibble, said:

"We are delighted to award Millbrook Combined School with one of the first ever National Nurturing School Award in recognition of the outstanding and inspirational work of their whole staff team in embedding nurturing principles throughout the school.

"The beneficiaries of their hard work every day are the children attending the school, their families and the wider community. Our standards to achieve this award are exacting and many congratulations are due to the staff, pupils and everyone associated with the school.

"We look forward to working with many more schools to help them to embed principles to support the emotional and behavioural needs of their pupils and to help more schools to achieve this prestigious award."

Achievement Assembly



"Trying his best and working really hard"

"being friendly and supportive"

"being a special member of the class"



Congratulations to the children who received certificates in the recent Achievement Assemblies

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1AA	Ayan	For joining in more in carpet sessions and growing in confidence.
1SJ	Caden	For excellent attendance this Spring term!
1CU	Nathaniel	For using his scientific knowledge to make an accurate prediction! Good job!
2AC	Elsie	For demonstrating great creativity when making a Roald Dahl book character.
2AR	Alessia	For always trying her best in every lesson! Fantastic effort!
2RG	Inayah	For being focused in maths and producing good work.
3EB	Jusztin	For making a good start here at Millbrook.
3SI	Ayman	For being caring and considerate towards others, a good friend!
4SS	Barakaath	For being outstanding in Talk 4 Writing and a great teachers assistant.
4GW	Michal	For always trying his best in Maths lessons and making great progress.
All in 5YA		For their enthusiasm and excellent behaviour in their first visit to Forest School.
5LD	Grace	For settling back in to her school routine with a positive attitude and a smile.
6NH	Hubert	For great enthusiasm and participation in Talk for Writing.
6SZ	Harry	For creating a superb model of a Windsor chair. Well done!

Friends of Millbrook School

The Friends of Millbrook School are holding a GAMES & TOYS DONATION WEEK—Mon 22nd January to Friday 26th January

Bored of your board games? Spring cleaning the children's toys?

Every day next week you can donate your unwanted or preloved good quality games, toys and puzzles for use in the classroom during wet play days. (Please no soft toys or teddy bears).

There will be drop off boxes in the playground or corridor.

♥ Look out for more news of the Friends of Millbrook School next big event, coming soon! ♥

Games Drop Week
Mon 22nd to Fri 26th
January

Friends of Millbrook are collecting unwanted toys, card games, board games, unused colouring books and jigsaws for wet play.

Important Dates for the Spring Term

23/01/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 2AC—group 2
25/01/18	Class 6NH Assembly
30/01/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 2RG—group 1
01/02/18	Class 1SJ Assembly
05/02/18	E-Safety Week
06/02/18	Safer Internet Day Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 2RG—group 2 PSHE Jigsaw Parents Workshop—6pm
09/02/18	School Closes at the end of the school day

12/02/18—16/02/18 Half Term

19/02/18	Children back to school
20/02/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 2AR—group 1
22/02/18	Class 1AA Assembly
26/02/18—02/03/18	BOOK WEEK
26/02/18	KS1 SATs meeting for Y2 Parents (2:30pm and 6pm)
27/02/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 2AR—group 2
28/02/18	Y3 trip to London Zoo
01/03/18	Secondary School Offers released WORLD BOOK DAY Class 2RG Assembly
05/03/18—09/03/18	BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK
06/03/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 1AA—group 1 Parent / Teacher Meetings (3:30pm—6pm)
07/03/18	Parent / Teacher Meetings (5:30pm—8pm)
08/03/18	Class 1CU Assembly
13/03/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 1AA—group 2
15/03/18	Class 2AC Assembly
16/03/18	Sports Relief Day
19/03/18	Phonics Meeting for Y1 Parents (2:30pm & 6pm)
20/03/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 1SJ—group 1
22/03/18	Class 5YA Assembly
26/03/18	LKS2 Dress Rehearsal
27/03/18	Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 1SJ—group 2 LKS2 Performance (2pm)
28/03/18	NURSERY and NURSERY PLUS TWO CLOSED (Home Visits) Settling in Workshop & Induction Meeting for new Nursery intake (9:30am—10:30am) UKS2 Easter Event Reward Day LKS2 Performance (7pm)
29/03/18	NURSERY and NURSERY PLUS TWO CLOSED (Home Visits) Class 5LD Assembly Easter Egg Raffle SCHOOL CLOSES (at the end of the day)