



Friday 2nd February 2018

A message from Miss Mansfield...

I hope you found the buildings update informative—we are getting quite excited by the glimpses we have had of our new entrance area.

The parent council, along with Mr Williams, will be updating our school Travel Plan in the near future. This helps get all the children to and from school safely whilst minimising disruption to the local community and roads. Parking on Mill End Road, and other side roads has once again become a huge issue putting our children and other road users at risk. Please make every effort to walk even if it is just from the other side of the park!

Attendance figures

To date

Attendance Percentage	Class
96.4 %	4GW
95.9 %	5YA
95.5 %	6NH
95.3 %	4SS
95 %	3EB
94.9 %	2RG
94.5 %	5LD
94.3 %	3SI
94.2 %	2AC
93.5 %	6SZ
92.8 %	2AR
92.3 %	1SJ
92.3 %	1CU
91.9 %	RKR
90.9 %	RCE
88.5 %	1AA
87.4 %	RBM

Free School Meals

If you think you might be eligible for Free School Meals, please ask in the school office. Not only do you get free lunches for your child, but the school also gets a contribution in the budget from the Government. It's quick and easy and totally confidential. Please complete a form if your child is in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 so that we can secure the funding your child is eligible for.

Library News

Congratulations to the following students who received their 'Pupil Librarian Badges of Office':

Grace (5LD) Alexandra (5LD) Munibah (5YA) Fatima (5YA) Millie (5YA)
 Asia (5LD) Stephanie (5YA) Maira (5YA) Shehroze (5YA) Aaliya (6SZ)
 Kharis (6SZ)

Thank you to Ms Wharton and family for your very generous donation of books for the library. The whole set of "Thomas the Tank Engine" books is already being appreciated by our foundation stage and year one children in particular.

If you are having a "spring clean " and have any good quality children's book you no longer need, we are always welcome donations in the library.

Break time snacks and Lunch Boxes

If your child brings in a snack for break time or does not have a school dinner, please remember to send them in with a healthy options.

We promote healthy eating here at Millbrook and therefore recommend you include 5 items in your child's lunch box such as a sandwich, vegetables, a piece of fruit, yoghurt or raisins. There is a growing number of children who come to school with only a packet of crisps and a chocolate bar, this is totally unacceptable. If you would like more ideas on what you can include in lunch boxes or alternatives please visit:

www.nhs.uk/change4life-beta/healthier-lunchboxes

Message for Reception parents from Mrs Waldron

Please could you make sure that you read with your child at least 3 times a week and record it in their reading diary. This way we can see who is being supported at home. A reminder that the children have 15 sets of words to learn by the end of Reception. Please practise these words daily so they can move up to the next set. When they complete set 6 they get a Reading Award and when they complete set 15 they get a special prize! Thank you for your support.

Pushchair's and Buggies being left at Children's Centre

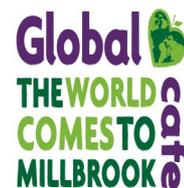
Please can parents not use the Children's Centre buggy parks if they are not attending one of the Children's Centre groups/sessions. There seems to be a number of buggies left throughout the day which makes it very difficult for parents attending their sessions with little babies.

Debt Policy on School Lunches

Please note that our debt policy for school lunches, which is a Governors' policy, dictates that we can only allow a child to accrue debts for up to 5 days (£9.50)

If your account remains unpaid after that time, please provide a packed lunch until you have been able to credit your account.

If your account reaches a debt valuing £19 or above, the account will be blocked.



Medicines



Medication should not be brought into school unless absolutely essential. Should your child require any medication, it will need to be prescribed by a GP. An "administration of medicine form" will need to be completed and passed with the medicine to Miss Chopra.

If your child has any regular medication such as inhalers or epi-pens, please ensure that these are in date and available in school.

Should your child be prescribed antibiotics this should be administered at home (before school, after school and bedtime) unless the dosage is four times a day. If you do have any queries, please speak to Miss Chopra.

Lip balms/salve are not medication and should not be brought into school.

Updated Personal Safety Policy

We have recently updated our Personal Safety Policy and would like to remind parents that violent, abusive or intimidating behaviour towards staff or other parents will not be tolerated. A copy of our Personal Safety Policy has been uploaded on our website.

Lakehouse helping local charity

We would like to share with you that our site contractors, Lakehouse, who have been tasked with the building refurbishment have recently helped a local charity.

They kindly donated to the One Can Trust and here is a photo of some of their staff handing over the donations!



E-Safety Week

E-safety week is upon us next week and we shall be working with the pupils in school to promote E-safety and safer internet day.

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and inspire a national conversation.

Coordinated in the UK by the UK Safer Internet Centre the celebration sees hundreds of organisations get involved to help promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people.

Globally, Safer Internet Day is celebrated in over a hundred countries, coordinated by the joint Insafe/INHOPE network, with the support of the European Commission, and national Safer Internet Centres across Europe.

The day offers the opportunity to highlight positive uses of technology and to explore the role we all play in helping to create a better and safer online community. It calls upon young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers, and wider, to join together in helping to create a better internet.

What do if your child sees something upsetting online

Along with the many positive things which young people may see or experience online, they may also encounter things which may worry or upset them. For further information on how you can help your child please log on to:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/advice-parents-what-do-if-your-child-sees-something-upsetting-online>

Digital Resilience Toolkit

Just like teaching a child to ride a bike or cross the road, digital resilience is another way to highlight the need to help children cope with whatever the online world throws at them.

With the help of Dr. Linda Papadopoulus, there are a number of age-specific resources, offering tips parents can apply every day to help children become more resilient online. For further information please log on to:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/digital-resilience-toolkit/>

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

Friday 19th January

1AA	Tyler	For excellent work in R.E showing how you can be a good or bad influence on someone.
1SJ	Edi	For practising his reading at home very night!
1CU	Dominika	For always being so helpful and always has a smile on her face!
2AC	Jayden	For making a great start in a new school.
2AC	Ellie-Jane	For making a great start to her new school here at Millbrook.
2AR	Macey	For settling in well at Millbrook and making new friends.
2RG	Craig	For working really hard in all his lessons this week and following the Millbrook Message.
3EB	Dexter	For the amazing poem written in R.E. this week.
3SI	Adam	For being able to subtract 3 digit numbers using formal written methods confidently.
4SS	Adam	For improved attitude and behaviour.
4GW	Haleema	For putting in a great effort into her work on fractions.
5YA	Eesa	For an improved attitude towards his learning. Keep it up!
5LD	Zara	For making an effort to follow the Millbrook message and showing good teamwork with her partner in P.E.
6NH	Yaawar	For a positive change in attitude towards his learning. Keep it up! Well done.
6SZ	Natalia	For showing great sportsmanship and great skills in the netball tournament.

Friday 26th January

1AA	Kyiandre	For improvement in his writing and sounding out.
1SJ	Kyra	For settling into her new classroom at Millbrook.
1CU	Lily	For a much improved attitude to her learning this week! Keep it up!!
2AC	Yasmina	For striving hard when tackling fractions in maths this week.
2AR	Subhan	For trying hard in all lessons this week. Keep up the great effort!
2RG	Kaitlin	For always following the Millbrook message and being a pleasure to have in class.
3EB	Hayley	For contributing well this week, especially in maths and Talking Partners.
3SI	Kenya	For settling in well at Millbrook.
3SI	Kayden	For putting in great effort into his work and behaviour! Keep it up!
4SS	Salihah	For amazing re-telling of a story using Talk4writing.
4GW	Jacob	For setting a good example to others through his behaviour and attitude.
5YA	Munibah	For her positive approach to all tasks and always giving it her all.
5LD	Jai	For an excellent, well written formal letter to Toys R Us explaining which material to use for their new board game.
6NH	Ahmed	For giving 100% in all his learning and always following the Millbrook Message.
6SZ	Batoul	For being a superstar helper in the classroom and a fantastic role model. Well done.

Important Dates for the Spring Term

05/02/18	E-Safety Week Parents Evening for Class 4SS (5:30pm—8pm)
06/02/18	Safer Internet Day Bring Parents to Lunch for Class 2RG—group 2 Parents Evening for Class 4SS (3:30pm—6pm) PSHE Jigsaw Parents Workshop—6pm
07/02/18	Energize Rehearsal
09/02/18	School Closes at the end of the school day Valentines disco (3:30—4:30 for Key Stage 1 and 4:45 until 6pm for Key Stage 2)

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
23/01/18	Y1 Superhero Workshop
26/02/18—02/03/18	BOOK WEEK
26/02/18	Energize Rehearsals 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 Energize Rehearsals (during the school day) Energize Concert
17/03/18	Energize Concert
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
23/03/18	Y2 trip to Bucks County Museum & Roald Dahl Gallery
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)

The Friends of Millbrook present



Valentine's DISCO

FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

Reception & KS1: 3:30 - 4:30 £2.00

KS2: 4:45 - 6:00 £2.50

Tickets available to buy daily from Thursday 1st February, in the library between 12:15 and 1:15

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED - ONLY 150 TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR EACH DISCO!!!

Price includes drinks and snacks

FoM cafe for parents and siblings in North Hall

Bring party clothes to change into at the end of school