

# Milton St. John's CE Primary School

## Newsletter

Monday 16 July

### Summer Fair

We would like to thank everybody who volunteered and helped out at the Summer Fair, the event was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by all, especially 'Soak the Teacher'!

Thank you to all of the children and parents who worked so hard on their decorated cup. It was a pleasure to look at them all and see the time and effort that had been put into decorating and filling them. The school council took their roles in judging the competition very seriously and found it hard to pick just one winner per class. The winners are:

Reception:	Mary-Jane McCabe
Year 1:	Ethan Withnall-Longworth
Year 1:	Martha Swallow
Year 2:	Isla Banks
Year 3:	Holly Cyprus
Year 4:	John McCabe
Year 5:	Keira Brierley
Year 6:	Amy Titterton

Unclaimed raffle prizes, please collect from the School Office:

1	235	398	478
80	291	405	
91	323	422	
205	329	470	

### Science Week

The children really enjoyed Science Week last week, thank you to Miss Gee and the 'Knowledge and Understanding of the World' team for organising all of the different activities.



### Musical Evening Thursday 19 July – Cancelled

Unfortunately due to high numbers of children that are unable to take part in our Musical Evening event on Thursday we have no other option than to cancel it. We are really sorry that we have had to do this but it will be very difficult for the music teachers to organise anything with the low numbers of children attending. The school office will return all money to parents during the week.

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### **Race for Life**

A huge thank you to everybody who donated, we managed to raise a whopping £1526.59 in sponsorship money for this very worthy cause.

### **Mossley Olympics**

Congratulations to all of the children who took part in this year's Mossley Olympics held at Mossley Hollins High School. Milton took third place in the competition, well done everyone!



### **Reorganisation for the Next Academic Year**

As the bulge year moves into Year 2 we are pleased to now be in a position to be able to keep Year 1 in the EYFS unit from September 2018. This will allow the children access to the outdoor areas and will aid transition from Reception to Year 1. Therefore when the children in Reception move to Year 1 the children will enter their new classroom via the old nursery door (off the road to the right as you walk up from Mill Lane). Year 1 children in September will start school at 9am like Reception and Nursery to allow parents to drop siblings off further up the school.

As Year 1 will be in the EYFS unit (we will be renaming the unit) we have approached the Local Authority about a possible restructure of the main entrance of the school. This is still in its infancy however this will hopefully take place in the summer of 2019. With this in mind we will be moving some of the year groups into different classes in the main school for September 2018 to prepare for possible building work in the following summer which will hopefully be taking place in the classroom nearest to the main gate (class 6).

### **Reception Parent Meeting - 'Learn about Year 1'**

There will be an informal meeting for our current Reception parents on Thursday 25 July at 3.15pm in the children's new classroom. Parents are very welcome to come and find out about Year 1 and ask any questions. We anticipate the meeting will only take approximately 30 minutes. Mrs Smith has kindly offered to keep any children in Reception with her during this time. Please just let Mrs Smith know if you will be attending.

### **Welcome Mr Clarke**

We are delighted to welcome Mr Clarke to Milton St John's to teach Year 4 from September. He has previously worked at a school in Rochdale. The children will get to meet him on 24 July when he will be in school for our transition day.

### **Class Organisation**

Sadly Miss Bates is leaving us this term and starts in a new school in September. We wish her the best of luck with her new job in her dream role as a Reception teacher. Miss Johnson will be returning to school following her maternity leave next term as our part time HLTA. Class organisation next year is as follows;

Nursery -Mrs Leaney

Reception - Mrs Smith

Class 1 - Mr Powell

Class 2a (Miss Bates) - Miss Rogers/Mrs Fernley

Class 2b (Mr Powell) - Miss Collins

Class 3 - Miss Hurst

Class 4 - Mr Clarke

Class 5 - Miss Gee

Class 6 - Mr Copsey

### **PTA Welcome Playdate for New Nursery and Reception Children**

Huge thanks to everyone at Tumbles for hosting the PTA welcome playdate for new Nursery and Reception children again! It's so nice to welcome the children to our School in such a fun way.

Date: Thursday 19 July, 3.30-5.30pm

Entrance costs £4 per child, payable on the day, and includes a party tea. Siblings are welcome at £5 each.

Please note: parents / carers are expected to stay and supervise their child(ren).

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### **Nursery Graduation**

All Nursery parents are invited to their child's graduation ceremony on Tuesday 24 July which will commence at 9.05am in the Early Years Unit.

### **Heritage Bid Trail**

In the Spring term, Class 5 contributed to the new Mossley Heritage Trails, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. They supported volunteers from Mossley Civic Society, along with facilitators from Green Monster Arts, to create a character linked to our school and its heritage, linking it to The Heritage Centre and other Mossley schools.

*"Mr Pickles the Crow and Year 5 at Milton St John's School flew through the history of our town uncovering romantic adventures, waving men off to war and imagining the sound of hundreds of clogs clattering on cobbles. Pupils found blueprints of mill houses and shared stories from their grandparents, as well as learning about how children of their age would be working in the mills not so long ago. 'As The Crow Flies' shares these with you."*

All children were given a leaflet for the new Mossley Heritage Trails which is a great way for families to explore our town and find out all about local history and to discover fun facts. The trails officially launched on Saturday 7 July but you can see some of the children's work in an exhibition at Mossley Heritage Centre (next to Emmaus) throughout the summer holidays so do call in. Have fun!

### **Informal 'Drop In' Sessions - All Parents and Family Members Welcome**

Due to the positive response received from parents who have attended our 'Drop In' sessions, we will be holding our next sessions at the times stated below. The purpose of these sessions are to enable the children to share their work with their families. The children enjoy showing their parents and family members what they have been doing in school. Please see dates below.

**All sessions run from the end of the school day until 4pm with the exception of Nursery which will be at 12.00pm.**

Nursery (12pm) -	11 July	Class 3 -	16 July
Reception -	19 July	Class 4 -	4 July
Class 1 (Miss Bates) -	16 July	Class 5 -	16 July
Class 1 (Mr Powell) -	17 July	Class 6 -	18 July
Class 2 -	18 July		

### **Class Assemblies**

Please note the following dates for your child's class assembly. You are welcome to attend your child's assembly; they start at 9.05am in the school hall for 20-25mins approx.

**Reception                      20 July**

### **Monkhouse/TopForm Uniform Shop**

The Oldham shop has now re-opened.

### **Hot Weather**

Please can you ensure that all children have had sun cream applied prior to coming to School. Children can bring their own if they need to reapply later in the day. Please note: We are not able to apply sun cream to your child.

### Community News

St George's Church Summer Fair  
at the George Lawton Hall  
Saturday 21 July 10.00am-1.00pm  
Raffle, refreshments, attractions, stalls

### Parish of Mossley

Come to St. John's Church for breakfast!  
Come and enjoy a breakfast roll and a cuppa – bring your little ones along too!  
9am-11am on the second Wednesday of each month  
8 August, 12 September, 10 October

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### Dates for your Diary

<b>23 July</b>	Class 5 Brockholes Nature Reserve Trip
<b>24 July</b>	Nursery Graduation
<b>25 July</b>	Class 6 Presentation Evening – 6pm
<b>26 July</b>	Class 6 Leavers' Assembly – 9am
<b>26 July</b>	Class 6 Parents v's Leavers – 2.15pm
<b>27 July</b>	School Closes at 3.15pm for Summer Break



We are thinking about Christian Heroes in the Bible and what we can learn from them. Let us remember that when life is challenging we can lean on God for strength.

“Hard times don't create heroes. It is during the hard times when the hero within us is revealed.”

*Bob Riley*