

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 26 November

Remember to subscribe to the newsletter on our website to receive an electronic copy.

The Pride of Milton winners are Martha Swallow in KS1, Thea Smith-Heeley in Lower Key Stage 2 and Imogen Collins in Upper Key Stage 2.

The winners from our Achievement assembly this morning are:



Fantastic Friend	Arts Award	Learner of the Week	Milton Manners
		Zac Mac W Raymond K Ethan H Claira L Max H Harriet S Gabriella G-R	Matilda C-S Matthew H Elsie S Dean B

Playtime hero	Team Player Award	Sports Award
Joshua P Martha S Mark T	Dolcie S Max B Maggie W Oscar L Giselle J	



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NEW NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Achievement assembly

You will have noticed last week on the newsletter that we did not include photographs of the children when they received their certificates. This is because it is getting increasingly difficult to do this as some parents have requested that their child's photograph is not on the newsletter. Therefore, from now on we will only publish names of children as it is easier to do this and omit those that do not wish their child's names to be published.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

A big thank you to everyone who helped us raise £187.13 for the British Legion Poppy appeal.

Christmas Fair - Thursday 29 November

A polite reminder that School will close at 2.00pm this Thursday to enable us to prepare for the Christmas Fair that will start at 4.30pm until 6.30pm. For Nursery children School will finish at 3.00pm as usual. Clubs will not be on after school on Thursday.

We have extended the time for decorated cups to be returned by **Wednesday 28 November** at the latest when they will be judged by the School Council.

If you would like to donate home made cakes for our cake stall, please can these be brought in to School on Thursday morning.

Diocese Year 3 Christmas Card Competition

We are delighted to announce that Isla Banks won the Year 3 Manchester Diocese Christmas Card competition recently. Isla's card was chosen by Bishop Mark and will be printed and used across the Diocese this Christmas. Well done Isla.

Crafternoon - 14 December 1.30-3.30pm

Every year MIND raises vital funds by holding National Crafternoons across the country. This year we would also like to give people in the community the opportunity to take part by holding our first Crafternoon on Friday 14 December.

What is a Crafternoon?

A Crafternoon enables people to get together, make new friends, enjoy refreshments and try their hand at making beautiful Christmas crafts. You'll be amazed at how rewarding and enjoyable getting crafty with friends can be, especially when you're doing it for a great cause. You don't need any special skills or previous crafting experience as our Crafternoon Team will provide all the tips and practical support needed. All that we ask is that a donation is made on the afternoon to support MIND.

If you would like to join in please either email admin@milton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk or let the office know so that we can plan for the number of people attending.

Christmas Fair

Thursday 29 November at 4.30pm - 6.30pm

We need your help and support!

Any money raised at the Fair will contribute to the cost of other Christmas activities in school. We will be collecting items for the following stalls:

Raffle prizes and Tombola prizes – have you any new, unwanted gifts?

Toys and Books – *in good condition only please!*

Handicrafts – Christmas gifts, garments etc.

Chocolate/bottle tombola prizes

Plus, on the morning of the Fair we will be collecting homemade cakes!

If you can spare any of the above items they would be much appreciated.

In addition to the sales stalls, we will have games, refreshments and of course, 'You Know Who' will be there!

If you would like to volunteer to help during the day or night, please come to the office and let us know. We would really appreciate your help.

Remember, the school fair can only be a success if we have the support of the parents and carers!

The school day will finish at 2.00pm on this day to enable us to set up for the Fair (Playgroup will remain open until 3.00pm for all children that attend on this day)

Christmas Performances

Christmas Performances – Entry to the shows will be by ticket only

DATE	TIME	SHOW
Tuesday 11 December	9.30am	KS1 Show & KS2 Show
Tuesday 11 December	3.30pm	KS2 Show
Wednesday 12 December	9.30am	EYFS Show
Wednesday 12 December	1.45pm	KS1 Show
Thursday 13 December	9.30am	EYFS Show
Thursday 13 December	1.45pm	KS1 Show
Thursday 13 December	6.00pm	KS2 Show

Other Christmas Events at Milton St John's

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday 27 November	Morning	KS2 Pantomime Oldham Coliseum
Thursday 6 December	During School Time	EYFS Christmas Experience – Parents welcome
Monday 17 December	1.30pm	KS2 United Carol Service at St George's – Parents welcome
Monday 17 December	During School Time	KS1 Christmas Party
Tuesday 18 December	Morning	EYFS Christmas Party
Tuesday 18 December	Lunch time	Christmas Lunch (more details to follow)
Wednesday 19 December	9.15am	KS2 Christingle Service
Wednesday 19 December	2.15pm	Reception/KS1 Christingle Service
Thursday 20 December	9.30am	Church Service at St John's (Yr 1-6) – Parents welcome

For information - EYFS: Nursery/Reception

KS1: Class 1 & 2a/b

KS2: Class 3, 4, 5 & 6

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PREVIOUS NEWLESTTER ITEMS

Christmas Fair – Please see details on the previous page

Reception 2019

Reminder – online applications for those children that are to start in Reception in September 2019 are now open and close on 15 January 2019. Can parents please note that if your child attends our nursery your child does not automatically have a place in Reception. Online applications, by the deadline, must be completed please.

Eco Science project

As part of our Mossley Schools Partnership, we have started a science competition that is all about doing our bit to help reduce, reuse and recycle plastic. Maybe you could think of a way to reduce the need to use plastics in packaging or everyday items such as straws. Maybe you could think of a new way to reuse plastic bottles or bags for a new purpose. Or can you think of a way to recycle plastics and make them into something completely different? Design sheets have been sent out for your child to draw, label and describe their innovation. They are to be returned to Miss Gee by Friday January 11 2019.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner will be served on Tuesday 18 December. Letters have been sent to all children on packed lunches to see if they would like a dinner on this day, at a cost of £2.18. The deadline for requests is **Wednesday 28 November**.

PE lessons outside

Could parents please make sure that your child also has PE clothing that can be worn outside in their PE bags at all times, e.g tracksuit bottoms/tracksuit tops. The children will be doing their PE lessons outside in the fresh air if it is not raining to enable the children to rehearse for the Christmas shows in the hall. Dance lessons will remain inside.



This month we remember those
who have sacrificed so much for us.
We pray for calm and peace to
prevail over war and conflict.

