

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 24 July

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Mossley Olympics

Well done to all of the children who took part in the Mossley Olympics. The day was a huge success with Buckton Vale winning the competition and Milton coming a close second. Thank you to the staff on the Mossley Carrbrook Schools' PE and Enrichment hub, which is based at Milton, for organising this event.

Goodbye

We would like to say goodbye to Mr Tewson who has been with us at Milton since 2002. Mr Tewson will leave us at the end of this academic year, may we thank him for his commitment to the School and for all of his hard work over the last 15 years. We wish him a fond farewell and send all of our best wishes for his retirement.

We would also like to say goodbye and good luck to Miss Crompton and Miss Campbell who will also be leaving us at the end of this week.

Also, Mrs Taylor, the School cleaner will be leaving us at the end of the week. Mrs Taylor has been with Milton since 2005, may we thank her for her commitment to the School and wish her all the best in her retirement.

End of Year Message

A big thank you goes out, as always, to everyone who has helped the school in some way. We would also like to thank parents who have given up many hours of their time to come into school and help the children and to those people who are always there in the background giving so much without question or recognition.

I would also like to thank all of the staff at Milton St John's for all of their hard work and enthusiasm over this last academic year, it has been a challenging year with a lot of changes and I am thankful that I have such a fantastic team and I'm sure that you will agree that their commitment to providing a rich education filled with memorable experiences has enhanced the lives of the children at our school.

Well done to all of our Class 6 children for a fantastic set of SATs results. You have worked with enthusiasm and dedication and the results you have achieved are a credit to you and the teachers who have worked with you. We would like to wish all of our Class 6 children a fond farewell and hope they have a smooth transition into secondary education. As always, we are looking forward to welcoming the new children and parents in September.



Class 6 Presentation Evening

On Tuesday 25 July at 6.00pm we will be holding our Class 6 Presentation Evening; families from Class 6 are very welcome to attend. We plan to celebrate the children's time at Milton at this event and anticipate this will last approximately 1 hour.

End of Year Service – Thursday 27 July

After the positive comments received by Parents/Carers regarding the End of Year Service being outdoors on the pitch in previous years, we have decided to try this again (weather permitting). We anticipate it will start at 9.30am and it will finish at approximately 10.30am.

School Improvements – Summer Holidays

During the holidays, improvements are being made around the School; the major project is the Nursery roof. This will mean that contractors will be working on and around the EYFS building. The works will commence on Saturday 29 July and it is anticipated works involved will take approximately 2 weeks but I am sure you will appreciate a lot of the timescales are based on dry weather conditions. Whilst works are in progress the tarmac pitch may have to be closed off to the public for health and safety reasons and this will involve the gates being locked. Of course we will monitor the works and try to keep the pitch open as much as possible during the summer holidays.

School Trips

We are increasingly aware that more and more Parents are failing to contribute towards the cost of a School trip. School trips are heavily subsidised by School and we rely on your contributions to enable the trips to go ahead. If you are having difficulty paying please contact Miss Gallaher or Mrs Titterington. Unfortunately, we may have to reduce the number of School trips if we continue to have insufficient funding.

Sports Day

I would like to say a big thank you to Miss Crompton, Mr Key and Mrs Smith and the Physical Development Team for organising the Sports Day for EYFS, KS1 and KS2. Thankfully all of the events took place. Thank you too, to all of the Parents and families that turned out to cheer the children on.

Milton St John's School Uniform

Polite reminder of our school uniform. Please could parents ensure that the children continue to only wear school uniform right up to the end of the term, we have noticed that a growing number of children are coming into school wearing trainers and fleeces/hoodies. Please also note the correct uniform from September 2017:

Red polo top
Royal blue cardigan or jumper
Royal blue reversible fleece
Charcoal grey skirt/pinafore or trousers
White socks or grey tights for girls
Grey socks for boys
Black shoes

PE: White t-shirt (plain or with School logo)
Black/blue shorts
Black/blue jog bottoms and top
EYFS/KS1: plimsolls or velcroed trainers
KS2: plimsolls or trainers

For summer the children can wear red gingham dresses or charcoal grey shorts

Nursery Graduation

All Nursery parents are invited to their child's graduation ceremony on Tuesday 25 July which will commence shortly after registration.

School Meals – Price Increase

TMBC have informed us that with effect from 1 September 2017, the cost of a school meal will increase to £2.18 (£10.90 per week).



Garden Area/After School

Please can we ask that you do not allow the children to play in the borders around the playground. A lot of time and effort has been spent trying to make the area look nice but unfortunately some of the flowers have been pulled out of the ground by children at the end of the school day. Can we remind Parents that once you have collected your child after School, they are under your supervision and it is your responsibility to ensure our school property is treated with respect. Also, football is not permitted in the main school playground at any point before or after the school day. During the day, football is permitted on a rota basis.

Once the children have been dismissed at 3.15pm they should not be coming back in to the school building for any reason. Due to fire regulations, it is difficult to monitor who is in the building if people are coming in and out.

Dangerous Parking

Please can we remind you all to be mindful of where you are parking in the mornings and also in the afternoons when you are dropping off or picking up your children from School. We are constantly receiving calls/emails from local residents due to the thoughtless parking of some of our Parents we are sad to say. Please respect our neighbours and be courteous when parking. If you know you are going to be on the School grounds for a long period of time, please be mindful that our local residents are also trying to get home and park outside their homes later on in the day. Also delivery drivers struggle to reach our neighbours homes due to thoughtless parking by others.

Apart from the fact that thoughtless parking is upsetting our neighbours, it also makes it extremely dangerous for our children coming in to and out of school. Cars are often trying to manoeuvre in tight spaces and around other parked cars; they cannot always see the children/parents trying to cross.

Should anybody witness such parking, please report it directly to the following:

- For illegal parking/causing an obstruction, i.e. On the pavement, contact the Police on 101
- For parking in restricted areas/on double yellow lines etc. contact TMBC Traffic Unit on 0161 342 8355

Can we also re-iterate that there is ample parking on the Yorkshire Ward car park and it is then only a short stroll down to School.

Community News

Mossley School of Dance

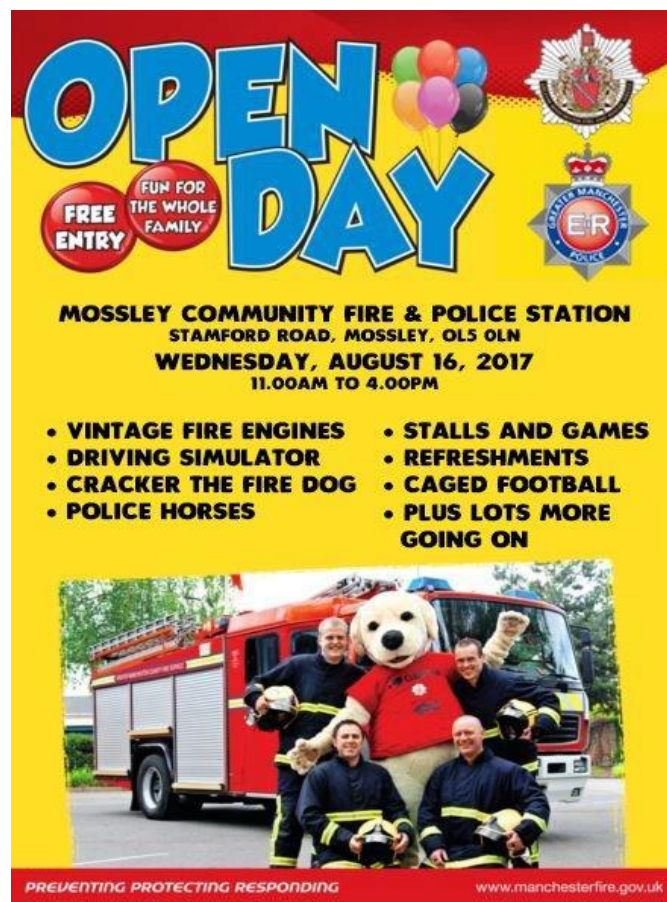
Summer Workshops 1st /2nd August and 8th /9th August 10.00am – 3.00pm

For children aged 5 to 12 years old

Timetable includes: - Themed dance workshops, modern jazz/hip hop/street dance
fun and games, craft workshop, singing workshop

For more information contact Rachel on 07875 627129 or Catherine on 07855 447930





Dates for your Diary

25 July	Nursery Graduation
25 July	Class 3 Magna Trip
25 July	Class 6 Presentation Evening @ 6.00pm
26 July	Leavers Assembly @ 9.00am
26 July	Parents vs. Leavers @ 2.00pm
27 July	End of Year Service @ 9.30am on the pitch (weather permitting) All Parents welcome
28 July	School Closes at 3.15pm for the Summer
6 September (Wednesday)	School Re-opens at 8.55am



We pray for all of those who are moving on to pastures new. Lord keep them safe and surround them with your love.

"This is the beginning of anything you want"

