

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 27 November

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

Hockey Competition

Well done to all of the children who took part in the Hockey finals last Friday. A really good effort from all of the children involved. Thank you to the Physical Development Team for involving Milton in such events.



Christmas Fair - Thursday 30 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 on Thursday.

Please can we encourage all children to bring their decorated tins in to School by Wednesday this week, ready for the Christmas Fair on Thursday.

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

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner will be served on Friday 15 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 29 November.

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.

School Meals

Please be advised that if you wish to change your child's school meal preference, we require one week's notice to make the necessary amendments and to inform our catering team.

Lost Property

Unfortunately due to the amount of lost property that accumulates at school, our policy is to retain all items until the end of every half term, at that point any items that are still unclaimed will be sent for recycling.

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.

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| Class 1 Sea Turtles | To be advised |
| Class 1 Dolphins | To be advised |
| Class 2 | To be advised |

Head Lice

Please can we encourage all Parents to check their child's hair for head lice and treat if appropriate. It is important that once treated you continue to check to make sure the treatment has worked effectively and that your child has not become re-infected.

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.

- 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

COMMUNITY NEWS

One of our Parents is collecting plastic bottle tops to raise funds for charity. If you would like to bring any in to School that we can pass on to her, it would be much appreciated.

Parish of Mossley – Dates for your Diary

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| Carol Service at St John's | Sunday 17 December 6.30pm |
| Carol Service at St George's | Thursday 21 December 7.30pm |
| United Parish Eucharist at St George's | Christmas Eve 9.30am |
| Costume Crib Eucharist at St George's (children can dress as their favourite Nativity character) | Christmas Eve 4.00pm |
| Christingle at St John's | Christmas Eve 6.00pm |
| Midnight Mass at St George's | Christmas Eve 11.30pm |
| Parish Communion at St John's | Christmas Day 9.30am |
| Parish Eucharist at St George's | Christmas Day 11.00am |
| United Parish Communion at St John's | New Year's Eve 11.00am |

Family events at the Village Hotel Hyde:

Lunch with Santa on 3rd/10th/17th December 12am until 4pm, priced at £12 child/£18 adult/infants under 2 free.
Also on 24th and 27th December the pantomime Aladdin which includes a 2 course lunch and a visit from Santa, priced at £15 child/£20 Adult.

At the Ashton Hotel Lunch with Santa is 24th December and the Aladdin Pantomime is 17th/23rd/28th December priced at £15 child/£20 Adult.

The Pantomime Sleeping Beauty will also be at the Ashton Hotel on New Year's Day priced at £15 child/£20 Adult.

For further information please contact the Hotel direct on 0161 674 0155

Dates for your Diary

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| 29 November | KS2 Dick Whittington Panto |
| 30 November | Christmas Fair |
| 7 December | EYFS Christmas Experience |
| 12 December | KS1/KS2 Christmas Shows (am) |
| 12 December | KS2 Christmas Show (pm) |
| 13 December | EYFS Christmas Show (am) |
| 13 December | KS1 Christmas Show (pm) |
| 14 December | EYFS Christmas Show (am) |
| 14 December | KS1 Christmas Show (pm) |
| 14 December | KS2 Christmas Show (eve) |
| 15 December | Christmas Jumper Day |
| 15 December | Christmas Lunch |
| 18 December | KS1/Reception Christingle Service (am) |
| 18 December | KS2 United Carol Service at St George's |
| 18 December | KS1 Christmas Party |
| 19 December | EYFS Christmas Party |
| 19 December | KS2 Christingle Service (pm) |
| 20 December | Church Service at St John's |
| 14-17 May | Class 6 SATs Week |



As we approach the start of Advent, we remember the real meaning of Christmas. May we all have a peaceful preparation period, as we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Saviour.

Christmas Fair

Thursday 30 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 |
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| Tuesday 12 December | 9.30am | KS1 Show & KS2 Show |
| Tuesday 12 December | 3.30pm | KS2 Show |
| Wednesday 13 December | 9.30am | EYFS Show |
| Wednesday 13 December | 3.30pm | KS1 Show |
| Thursday 14 December | 9.30am | EYFS Show |
| Thursday 14 December | 1.45pm | KS1 Show |
| Thursday 14 December | 6.00pm | KS2 Show |

Other Christmas Events at Milton St John's

| DATE | TIME | EVENT |
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| Wednesday 29 November | Afternoon | KS2 Dick Whittington Pantomime Oldham Coliseum |
| Thursday 7 December | During School Time | EYFS Christmas Experience |
| Friday 15 December | Lunch time | Christmas Lunch |
| Monday 18 December | 9.15am | KS1/Reception Christingle Service |
| Monday 18 December | 1.30pm | KS2 United Carol Service at St George's |
| Monday 18 December | During School Time | KS1 Christmas Party |
| Tuesday 19 December | Morning | EYFS Christmas Party |
| Tuesday 19 December | 2.30pm | KS2 Christingle Service |
| Wednesday 20 December | 9.30am | Church Service at St John's |

EYFS: Nursery/Reception

KS1: Class 1 & 2

KS2: Class 3, 4, 5 & 6

We **S**how respect. We are **H**onest. We **I**nclude others. We **N**ever give up. We seek **E**xcellence in all we do.