

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 19 March

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Fairtrade Poster Competition

Thank you to all of the children who entered our Fairtrade competition. The overall winners with their amazing poster designs, were Molly Howarth in Class 3 and Emmie Snape in Class 1 Dolphins.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will be held on one day only this year, **Wednesday 21 March**. All reply slips should have been returned by Wednesday 14 March. **As with previous events, please could we remind you that only Year 6 children are able to attend Parents' Evening. Unfortunately last time we had a number of complaints from parents as they could not hear the Teachers due to the disruption from other children.**

Usborne Book Fair

The Book Fair will also be available in the ICT Suite at Parents' Evening, from 3.15pm until 9.00pm.

After School Clubs – Week Commencing 19 March

All clubs are cancelled this week, with the exception of Football Club on Monday, Dance on Thursday and Sports Club on Friday. Football Club on Wednesday 21 March is cancelled also due to Parents' Evening.

Sports Relief 2018

As part of Sports Relief, the Sports Council have decided that each class will take part in a fun run in the next few weeks during their PE lessons, to raise awareness about Sports Relief. The children could wear an odd sock, silly glasses or fun wigs to do the fun run in if they so wish. If you would like to donate to Sports Relief, the Sports Council have suggested a £1 donation which we will collect on **Friday 23 March**.

MCSP Talent Show

Just to confirm, the rehearsal for the talent show is being held at **Mossley Hollins High School** on Wednesday 21 March and not the George Lawton Hall as previously mentioned. If your child is in the Street Dance club or the Choir and is attending the rehearsal, you will need to collect them from Mossley Hollins at 4.00pm prompt.

Toast

Unfortunately we will no longer be able to offer toast to the children unless we have a volunteer. We would need somebody to come in to school every Monday, at approx. 10.15am to make toast for the children. This day can be changed if another day is more suitable.

Fairtrade Coffee Morning

We will be holding a Fairtrade coffee morning on Wednesday 28 March, from 9.15am in the School hall. All are welcome to attend for some light refreshments and entertainment from the talent show entrants.

School Holiday List

Please be advised that the School Holiday list for 2018-2019 is now available on the school website.



Easter Events

Easter Service Thursday 29 March

Our Easter Service will be on Thursday 29 March at St John's Church at 9.30am, all are welcome to attend.

Decorated Eggs – Key Stage 2 Activity (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Unfortunately parents, it's that time of year again when your child may come and beg you to help them decorate an egg! Every year we have some fantastic displays and hope that this year will be the same. If your child would like to do this please ensure hard boiled eggs are used and that entries are received no later than the morning of Wednesday 28 March. We have had many amazing entries in the past and I'm sure we won't be disappointed this year!



There will be prizes awarded to a winner from each class and this will be decided by the School Council/Arts Council; they will particularly be looking for the children's efforts rather than their parents!

The children are able to bring in their creations, from Tuesday 27 March so they can be displayed for all to enjoy. Parents can come along to view the eggs after School on Thursday 29 March when the winners will be announced.

Easter Bonnet Competition- Year 1 and 2

Back by popular demand! The children in Classes 1 and 2 are all invited to make an Easter Bonnet and enter our Easter Bonnet Competition this year. Could parents please ensure entries are in on the morning of Wednesday 28 March, so that winners can be decided during the day by the School Council and Arts Council.

There will be an Easter Bonnet Parade at 2.50 pm on Wednesday 28 March that parents/carers are more than welcome to attend, we will also announce the winners.

EYFS Easter Activity Day - Parents/Carers welcome

Parents and carers of the EYFS (Nursery and Reception) are invited to attend an Easter Activity Day on Monday 26 March. It will be an opportunity for parents/carers to spend some time with your child in the setting taking part in activities together. Further details will be published in the EYFS newsletter.



Easter Egg Hunt

We are also hoping to hold our annual whole-school Easter Egg Hunt during the last week of Term. Each class will have the chance to hunt for eggs. The highest number collected by a class wins!

Monkhouse/TopForm Uniform Shop

Unfortunately due to a major flood at the Oldham shop affecting all 3 floors of the building, they have had to close the shop until further notice. As soon as they have a clear idea on how long the damage and stock replenishment will take, they will notify us.

In the meantime any undamaged stock has been transferred to their Rochdale shop and uniform can be purchased or ordered from them, they have also offered free postage. If you have any queries please call the Rochdale shop, number below or shop on-line at www.topformschoolwear.com

Rochdale shop details:

TopForm Rochdale
51-53 Drake Street
Rochdale
OL16 1RX Tel. 01706 345257

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.

Class 3	27 April
Class 5	23 March

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

On Friday 9 March we received a complaint from a resident on Woodbank Terrace advising that they could not get off their drive and were subsequently late for work, due to one of our Parents blocking their driveway, at drop off in the morning. This is totally unacceptable, please can we ask you all to be respectful of our residents and ensure that you are not blocking driveways etc.



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.

MAODS presents 'Gypsy'
at the George Lawton Hall – 23-28 April 2018
Book at www.maods.org

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.

Parish of Mossley – Holy Week & Easter Services 2018

Palm Sunday 25 March

9.30am Palm Communion (SJ)
 11.00am Palm Procession & Parish Eucharist (beginning at St George's School)
 6.30pm Palm Sunday Reflection (SJ)

Holy Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

7.00pm Eucharist & Reflection (SJ)

Maundy Thursday, 29 March

7.00pm Eucharist with Foot Washing & Watch until midnight (SG)

Good Friday, 30 March

12.00pm Churches Together Worship (Market Place)
 2.00pm Veneration of the Cross & Communion (SG)
Church open until 5pm for quiet and prayer

Easter Eve 31 March

8.00pm Easter Vigil (SG)

Easter Day 1 April

9.30am Parish Communion (SJ)
 11.00am Parish Eucharist (SG)
Followed by Easter Egg Hunt

Dates for your Diary

21 March	Parents' Evening
23 March	Class 5 Assembly
28 March	Fairtrade Coffee Morning – 9.15am
30 March-13 April	Easter Holidays – School Closed
16 April	Inset Day – School Closed
23-26 April	Class 6 Bikeability Course
27 April	Class 3 Assembly
1 May	Class Photographs
7 May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
14-17 May	Class 6 SATs Week
28 May-8 June	Half Term Break – School Closed
15-18 June	Class 6 Kingswood Trip
25 July	Class 6 Presentation Evening – 6pm
26 July	Class 6 Leavers' Assembly – 9am
26 July	Class 6 Parents v's Leavers – 2.15pm
27 July	School Closes at 3.15pm for Summer Break



During the Lent period we think about self-control and willpower. How can we demonstrate this in our daily lives?