# Milton St. John's CE Primary School Newsletter

Monday 26 March

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

The Pride of Milton winners are Elsie Sice in Key Stage 1, Bill Swallow in Lower Key Stage 2 and Mia Newton in Upper

Key Stage 2.













# **Sports Relief 2018**

The children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the fun runs for Sports Relief that have taken place over the last couple of weeks. Thank you to everybody who donated to this worthy cause.

#### **Railway Danger**

It has been brought to our attention that some children have been playing close to the railway tracks. The children have been spoken to about how serious and dangerous it is playing near railway lines but could parents also be aware and discuss this with your child. Unfortunately some children have also been playing knock-a-door run around the vicinity of the school and playing in the wooded area near Woodbank Terrace without adult supervision. There are a number of bluebells planted around the wooded area that we would like to protect and so ask that the children do not play here.

# After School Clubs - Week Commencing 26 March

All clubs are cancelled this week, with the exception of Football Club on Monday and Wednesday.

# **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.

# Toast

We will continue to provide toast for the children following the Easter break. Toast will be provided every Thursday for KS1 and KS2 children commencing on 19 April.

#### **SATS Meeting**

There will be a short meeting for parents of children in Class 2 and Class 6 to discuss the upcoming SATS tests. The meetings will be held straight after school for approx. 30 minutes, on the following dates:

Class 2 Wednesday 18 April Class 6 Thursday 19 April

# **Lost Property**

Lost property will be on display after school in the playground this week, weather permitting.



# **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.



#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

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

#### **School Holiday List**

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

#### 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 <a href="https://www.topformschoolwear.com">www.topformschoolwear.com</a>

# 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

# **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

# Parish of Mossley – Holy Week & Easter Services 2018

Holy Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

7.00pm Eucharist & Reflection (SJ)

Maundy Thursday, 29 March

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

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**

28 March Fairtrade Coffee Morning - 9.15am 30 March-13 April Easter Holidays - School Closed Inset Day – School Closed 16 April 23-26 April Class 6 Bikeability Course

27 April Class 3 Assembly 1 May Class Photographs

7 May Bank Holiday – School Closed

Class 6 SATs Week 14-17 May

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 Class 6 Parents v's Leavers - 2.15pm 26 July

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?