



We are only a small PTA trying to organise a Summer Fair that we hope our children will really enjoy. We appreciate any support we receive from our parents before and on the day itself. This year we are using the proceeds from the fair to raise money to build a seating and large planter area so further outdoor learning can take place on the field. This would be a valuable resource used by children in all classes and an exciting addition to Forest School sessions.

There are lot of ways you can help even if you are unable to help during the fair itself. We need:

- donated books, toys and 'like new' children's clothes
- cakes brought to school the day before or on the day itself
- raffle prizes
- volunteers to sign up for a slot on the Summer Fair list that has been placed by the school office
- volunteers to help fold raffle tickets and label prizes on Friday 6 July straight after school in the nursery building (a crèche will be provided by school staff)

There will be a non-uniform day on Friday 6 July for all children in exchange for a bottle donation for the Fair.

The popular 'Fill a Cup' stall will be back again this year. We would like the children to fill and return their cups by Wednesday 11 July so that they can be judged by the school council. Cups will be handed out next week.

Rounders Competition

Well done to all of the children who participated in the Rounders Competition last Wednesday. We would also like to thank Tameside School Sports Partnership for organising this event.

Sports week - 25 - 29 June

Miss Hurst and the Physical Development Team have organised an action packed week of sports and fitness during our Sports week which starts today. Many activities have been organised during the week; some of which include skateboarding and street dance. Due to the popularity of our previous Race for Life event we are also going to do this again this year on Thursday 28 June (weather



permitting). The children will have already been given a sponsor form for this event.

Race for Life Event timetable

<u>Class</u>	Warm up	Race start time
Year 6	1.30pm	1.35pm
Year 5	1.35pm	1.40pm
Year 4	1.40pm	1.45pm
Year 3	1.45pm	1.50pm
Year 2	1.50pm	1.55pm
Year 1A and 1B	1.55pm	2.00pm
Reception	2.00pm	2.05pm

Warm ups will take place on the pitch and the race will take place on the field. There will be a designated area for parent viewing on the field. Parents will be unable to enter the pitch area.

Sports Day - 29 June

We are going to hold our Sports Day on Friday 29 June. This year we are going to try something a little different by holding smaller and more intimate sports days for 2 classes at a time (with the exception of year 6 which will be on its own). Jeff (our sports coach) has organised it so that the classes will participate in their Sports Day for approximately an hour and has been working hard with the classes to prepare them for the day so that it runs smoothly. As always Parents and family members are always welcome to watch and therefore need to take note of the times below when each class will be doing their sports day events.

9.10am - Both Year 1 classes 10.10am - Reception and Nursery 11.10am - Class 2 and Class 3 1.10am - Class 4 and Class 5

2.10pm - Class 6

Hot Weather

Please can you ensure that all children have had sun cream applied prior to coming to School. Children can bring their own if they need to reapply later in the day. Please note: We are not able to apply sun cream to your child.

Heritage Bid Trail

In the Spring term, Class 5 contributed to the new Mossley Heritage Trails, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. They supported volunteers from Mossley Civic Society, along with facilitators from Green Monster Arts, to create a character linked to our school and its heritage, linking it to The Heritage Centre and other Mossley schools.

"Mr Pickles the Crow and Year 5 at Milton St John's School flew through the history of our town uncovering romantic adventures, waving men off to war and imagining the sound of hundreds of clogs clattering on cobbles. Pupils found blueprints of mill houses and shared stories from their grandparents, as well as learning about how children of their age would be working in the mills not so long ago. 'As The Crow Flies' shares these with you."

You can see some of the children's work in an exhibition in the foyer of George Lawton Hall until the end of June and then again at Mossley Heritage Centre on Saturday 7 July from 11am – 3pm for the official launch where you can pick up a trail leaflet and start exploring.

George Lawton Hall is open most week days and until 5pm Monday and 8pm Tuesday.

Informal 'Drop In' Sessions - All Parents and Family Members Welcome

Due to the positive response received from parents who have attended our 'Drop In' sessions, we will be holding our next sessions at the times stated below. The purpose of these sessions are to enable the children to share their work with their families. The children enjoy showing their parents and family members what they have been doing in school. Please see dates below.

All sessions run from the end of the school day until 4pm with the exception of Nursery which will be at 12.00pm.

11 July Nursery (12pm) -Reception -19 July Class 1 (Miss Bates) -16 July Class 1 (Mr Powell) -17 July Class 2 -18 July Class 3 -16 July Class 4 – 4 July Class 5 -16 July Class 6 -18 July

Science Week – 9 – 13 July

The week beginning Monday 9 July, Milton St John's will be celebrating Science Week, taking part in extraordinary experiments with our scientists from 'Mad Science', exploring relevant scientific issues with our visitors from Chester Zoo, developing their outdoor science learning skills in Forest Schools and investigating science problems with their classmates.

To summarise their learning and continue the excitement, on Friday 13 July, we ask that all children come dressed as a well-known/pioneering scientist so they can take part in their final set of experiments as a true scientist!

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 1 Dolphins 6 July
Class 1 Sea Turtles 13 July
Reception 20 July

Monkhouse/TopForm Uniform Shop

The Oldham shop has now re-opened.

Community News

Parish of Mossley

Come to St. John's Church for breakfast!

Come and enjoy a breakfast roll and a cuppa – bring your little ones along too!

9am-11am on the second Wednesday of each month

11 July, 8 August, 12 September, 10 October

Dates for your Diary

28 June	Race for Life
29 June	Sports Day

2 July Class 1 & 2 Cannon Hall Farm Trip

5 July Class 3 & 4 Southport Eco Visitors Centre Trip

6 July Class 1 Dolphins Assembly

6 July Non-uniform day / bottle donation for Summer Fair

12 July Summer Fair 4.30pm-6.30pm **13 July** Class 1 Sea Turtles Assembly

23 July Class 5 Brockholes Nature Reserve 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



We are thinking about Christian Heroes in the Bible and what we can learn from them. Let us remember that when life is challenging we can lean on God for strength.

"Hard times don't create heroes. It is during the hard times when the hero within us is revealed."

Bob Riley