

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 13 May

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NEW NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Class 2/6 SATs

It is that time of year again when the children in Class 2 and Class 6 complete their SATs. We'd just like to say that we are very proud of all our children at Milton and that a few tests do not demonstrate how wonderfully talented, gifted and very special our children are. We wish them all the very best with their SATs but want them to know that each and everyone one of them are unique, clever and skilled in a variety of ways, and most importantly are lovely, kind individuals who will go on to become all they were meant to be - of that we have no doubt! Good luck everyone; we are already very proud of you all.

Unicef Day

Last week we had someone from Unicef come into school and talk to the children, parents, Governors and staff about our Unicef Rights Respecting journey so far and we are really pleased to announce that we have achieved the Silver Award! We would just like to thank everyone that was involved in the various discussions on the day, including our Unicef Ambassadors and parents/Governors that gave up some of their time. We would also like to thank Miss Gee and Miss Hurst for leading us all in the journey to help children understand and raise awareness of their rights.

Sports Day

We are hoping to hold our sports day on Friday 28 June (weather permitting). We aim to follow the success of last year's sports day by continuing to hold smaller and more intimate sports days for 2 classes at a time (with the exception of Nursery). Hayley (our sports coach) has organised it so that the classes will participate in their Sports Day for approximately an hour and will be 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 -	Nursery
10.10am -	Reception and Class 1
11.10am -	Class 2 (both classes)
1.10am -	Class 3 and Class 4
2.10pm -	Class 5 and Class 6

Phonics Screening for Year 1 children

There will be an information meeting on Thursday 23 May at 3:30pm in Class 1 for parents who wish to find out more about the Phonics Screening Assessment that all Year 1 children nationally will take part in. The meeting will give a brief overview of what the children will be expected to do, and Mrs T will be on hand to answer any questions that are raised.

School Photographs

The photos have been sent home with your child. Please ensure you return your order and money NO LATER than Monday 20 May.

Musical Evening (Wednesday 26 June)

Children in classes 2-5 will be displaying some of the skills they have learnt this year in music. Tickets are £3 each to come and watch the children perform in a mini concert from 3:45-5pm. A separate letter has been sent out regarding this event.

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.

Update from Building Contractors – New Build Adjacent to the School

We have received the following information from the building contractors which we would like to bring to your attention.

- the Council have requested that the contractors remove debris from the land and that the land is fenced off;
- from a health and safety aspect they have been advised by the Council's Traffic Management to open up a second entrance to the land so that delivery vehicles can turn round on the land so that they do not have to reverse back down the street adjacent to the school. Therefore vehicles will go in one way and come out the other way (no reversing down Milton Street); and
- in order to address these two issues raised by the Council, contractors have been engaged and plan to start this work on Wednesday 15 May 2019.

PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting will be held in Aurora, Thursday 16 May 2019. 7pm. All welcome!

Netball competition

Well done to everyone in the Netball team for getting through to the finals last week. Although they didn't win they all played extremely well and represented Milton brilliantly. Thank you also to Tameside School Sports for organising the event.



Whit Friday – updated info

As previously mentioned Whit Friday is on 14 June this year. The school will enjoy taking part in this great community event and will be walking in the Whit Walks again.

Last year a number of children were walking with other community groups and were brought in to get their mark for registration before being taken to meet their group. This caused some confusion when parents had organised for other parents to take their child after registration and we had no knowledge of their permission. To avoid this confusion and make things a little easier for parents, if your child is walking with another community group please email school at admin@milton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk or write a note to explain this. Please detail who your child is walking with and who will be bringing the children back to school after the walks. The children will then not need to come in for their registration and will be marked in so their attendance is not affected. However, if your child does not return to school after the walk they will be marked as absent.

The school will close at 1.30pm on this day so that families can enjoy the various activities.

Spare underwear

If anyone has any spare underwear or socks of any child's size we would be grateful to have them as spares in school as long as they are in good condition.

PREVIOUS NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Stand Up to Cancer Bake Sale

Dean Bottomley (year 6) is currently working on his JASS Award and would like to organise a Stand Up to Cancer bake sale for Cancer Research on Monday 20 May. He would like as many people as possible to take part in order to raise funds for this worthy cause by donating cakes on the day. Home bakes will also be judged beforehand and a prize of a 'star baker' apron, as seen on the channel 4 programme, will be awarded for the best home bake. Everyone, including children and adults, are welcome to donate a cake in order to raise funds and take part in the competition! However, please do not use nuts. Cakes will be on sale after school on this day.

Milk at Lunchtime

We have now started offering milk to ALL children at lunchtime. We will continue to monitor this until the end of the summer term.

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.

Friday 24 May

Class 1

Friday 21 June

Reception

Dates for your Diary

13-17 May

KS2 SATs week

14 May

Class 4 Library visit

20 May

Class 3 Pentecost experience Mossley Methodist

24 May

School breaks up for the Half term break and reopens 10 June

14 June

Whit Walks – school taking part

14-17 June

Class 6 Kingswood trip

24 – 28 June

Sports week

26 June

Musical evening – classes 2-5

10 July

MCSP Olympics

24 July

Class 6 Presentation evening 6pm

25 July

Class 6 Parents v Leavers 2pm

25 July

Class 6 Leavers assembly 9am



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