

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 20 May

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

The Pride of Milton winners are Ellie W in Key Stage 1. Toby B in Lower Key Stage 2 and Lennon T in Upper Key Stage 2.

The winners from our Achievement assembly this morning are:



Fantastic Friend	Arts Award	Learner of the Week	Milton Manners
Erin F	Dean B Alfie N	Archie R Isla H Edith S Oscar C Craig P Harry A T Harriet S Seth P Cleo H	Lola G Alfie H

Playtime hero	Team Player Award	Sports Award
Evie M	Jack C Joseph H	



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.

NEW NEWSLETTER ITEMS

JASS awards

A huge well done to Joshua Dawson and Alex Baker for completing and achieving the Bronze Junior Award Scheme for Schools Award. Joshua and Alex challenged themselves in various ways and set targets that they both achieved. Some of the activities they completed involved helping in the community, teaching karate and swimming. Well done Joshua and Alex.

For information, the Junior Award Scheme is a progressive learning programme for young people which has been designed to recognise wider achievement. It develops the whole individual by offering recognition in four key areas – regular physical activity (Get Active, Stay Active), exploring a personal interest (My Interests), working for the good of the community or the environment (Me and My World) and completing an outdoor activity or challenge (Adventure) and is designed so that participants move through the levels with increasing commitment, learning, and challenge.

Building Works Adjacent to School

Parents may be aware that building works have commenced adjacent to the school premises. The piece of land concerned is situated on the right hand side as you go up Milton Street (higher up than our school playground gates). The contractors concerned have been in touch with the school and are trying to work with the school to cause as least disruption as possible to the school day. Obviously a building site is not an area for children to play on and this is private land and it would be helpful, especially with the school holidays drawing near if you would advise your children not to play on the building plot. As mentioned in our newsletter on 13 May the land has now been fenced off.

Mellors – Smoothie Bike

On Thursday Mellors Catering Service (who provide our dinners at school) are bringing in their smoothie bike. Years R – 6 will take part in sessions run by the service where the children will be able to make their own smoothies!

Lost Property

Please come in on Thursday this week after school where we will put out all the lost property for you to claim. It will be in the hall on the stage or playground (weather permitting).

Pretty Muddy 13 July 2019

Cancer has affected so many of our family members, friends, colleagues and families in our school which is why a number of Milton staff are taking part in the Pretty Muddy Event at Heaton Park on 13 July 2019 to raise money for Cancer Research. If anyone would like to donate to this worthy cause you can do via the link below or by sending money in a clearly marked envelope. Any kind donation, however small, is greatly appreciated.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/milton> (please do not worry about which team member you donate to on the page).

For information on the afternoon of the 27 June, during Sports Week, the children will also be taking part in our own Race for Life event.



Summer Fair – Thursday 11 July 4.30pm-6.30pm

If you have any unwanted books, toys/teddies, please bring them into the School office after half term. We will also require cakes on the morning of the fair, to be sold on our cake stall.

We really appreciate the support we receive from our parents before and on the day itself. If you would like to help out in any way on the day, please let the School Office know and we will pass this on to the PTA.

To help the fair be successful there will be a non-uniform day on Friday 21 June for all children in exchange for a bottle donation for the Fair and an additional non-uniform day on Friday 5 July in exchange for chocolate donations (due to Year 6 having their high school transition day on this day, their non – uniform day will be on 8 July).

PREVIOUS NEWSLETTER ITEMS

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.

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.

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.

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

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
21 June	Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle
24 – 28 June	Sports week
26 June	Musical evening – classes 2-5
5 July	Non uniform day in exchange for chocolate (except Class 6 which is 8 July)
10 July	MCSP Olympics
11 July	PTA Summer Fair After school
24 July	Class 6 Presentation evening 6pm
25 July	Class 6 Parents v Leavers 2pm
25 July	Class 6 Leavers assembly 9am

Community News

Heritage Trail

There will be a 'Mr Pickles the Crow Trail' guided walk led by Mossley Heritage on Friday 21 June. Starting at Milton St John's School car park at 6pm.

For more information please see Mossley Heritage Facebook page.



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