

# Milton St. John's CE Primary School

## Newsletter

Monday 18 November

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

### NEW NEWSLETTER ITEMS

#### Christmas Dinner Day



A letter has gone out to all children who are on packed lunches to offer a Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 18 December. Children who are already on school meals will be offered this meal anyway on this day. If you would like your child to have a Christmas Dinner please order this and pay £2.22 to the school office by Friday 22 November at the latest. If your child is in Reception or KS1 they are eligible for a free Christmas Dinner on this day but you still need to order them one.

The Christmas Dinner Menu will be:



*Roast Turkey  
with Chipolata Sausages and Stuffing  
or  
Quorn Sausages*

*All served with Roast and Mashed Potatoes  
Peas, Carrots and Gravy*

*Festive Cookie*

*Chocolate Cake*

*Assorted Yoghurt*

*Fruit*

#### Show Tickets

A letter will go out today so you can purchase your tickets for your child's Christmas Show. Please return the order form and money by Monday 25 November at the latest.

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### Fill a cup for the Christmas Fair

The children will be sent home with a cup this week to fill and decorate. Those children that would like to take part can fill the cup with anything that may be appealing and then decorate it, ready for it to be sold at the Christmas Fair. Any cups received will enter a competition which will be judged by the School Council. Cups need to be returned by Monday 25 November so that they can be judged in time for the fair.

You may want to fill your cup with the following ideas:

- Sweets
- Rubbers, pencils, crayons or stickers
- Bobbles, clips or jewellery
- Small toys

### Children In Need

Thank you to everybody who donated for our Children In Need Day last Friday. We had some fabulous crazy outfits. We will give you a final total in next week's newsletter.

### Upcoming Christmas Events

## Christmas Performances

Christmas Performances – Entry to the shows will be by ticket only

DATE	TIME	SHOW
Tuesday 10 December	9.30am	KS1 Show
Tuesday 10 December	1.30pm	KS2 Show
Wednesday 11 December	9.30am	EYFS Show
Wednesday 11 December	2.00pm	KS1 Show
Wednesday 11 December	3.30pm	KS2 Show
Thursday 12 December	9.30am	EYFS Show
Thursday 12 December	2.00pm	KS1 Show
Thursday 12 December	6.00pm	KS2 Show

## Other Christmas Events at Milton St John's

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday 20 November	Morning	KS2 Pantomime Oldham Coliseum
Monday 16 December	1.30pm	KS2 United Carol Service at St George's – Parents welcome
Tuesday 17 December	6.00pm	Christmas Musical Evening at Mossley Hollins (Mrs. Gerrard's class only)
Wednesday 18 December	Lunch time	Christmas Lunch (more details to follow)
Wednesday 18 December	9.15am	Yr. 1- 6 Christingle Assembly – Parents welcome
Thursday 19 December	9.15am	Church Service at St John's (Yr. 1-6) – Parents welcome

For information - EYFS: Nursery/Reception

KS1: Class 1 & 2

KS2: Class 3a/b, 4, 5 & 6

## UPDATED PREVIOUS NEWSLETTER ITEMS

### Non Uniform Days for Christmas Fair Items

On Friday 22 November all children can come to school wearing their own clothes for a donation to the School Fair. For Nursery/Reception and KS1 children we ask for bottle donations and from KS2 children we ask for chocolate donations for the tombola. Thank you!

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### Fire Escape at the Main Reception Entrance

Please can all parents and carers refrain from using the main entrance to shelter in a morning and before the end of the school day as this is a fire exit and has to be kept clear at all times. We have been informed that we must keep this clear in case of an emergency so that the building can be evacuated swiftly. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

### Mellors Catering Factsheet

As part of Mellors Catering Services there will be a Nutrition Factsheet each month for pupils and families. These provide information on different topics relevant to nutrition and school lunches. Please click on the Mellors crayon down the left hand side of the website home page to see this month's factsheet. We will continue to update the Mellors section of our website which will show not only November's factsheet but all future months factsheets as we receive them.

### Wellies Needed

We are in need of any spare wellies for Forest School. Children will not be allowed to go outdoors for Forest School in pumps or trainers. Please send in any wellies, any size in good condition. Thank you.

### Diary Dates

Wednesday 20 November	KS2 Pantomime Trip
Friday 22 November	Non Uniform Day In return for donations to Fair
Thursday 28 November	Christmas Fair
Friday 6 December	Class 3a and 3b Quarry Bank Mill Trip

### Messy Church

Our next Messy Church event is on the 20 November. A letter has been sent out so that families can sign up to come. Due to a restriction in space and to enable we have enough resources for the event, only those that send slips in will be able to attend on the night.

## Christmas Fair

**Thursday 28 November at 4.30pm - 6.30pm**

**We need your help and support!**

Any money raised at the Fair will contribute to the cost of other Christmas activities in school. We will be collecting items for the following stalls:

Raffle prizes and Tombola prizes – have you any new, unwanted gifts?  
Toys and Books – *in good condition only please!*  
Handicrafts – Christmas gifts, garments etc.  
Chocolate/bottle tombola prizes  
*Plus, on the morning of the Fair we will be collecting homemade cakes!*

If you can spare any of the above items they would be much appreciated.

In addition to the sales stalls, we will have games, refreshments and of course, 'You Know Who' will be there!

If you would like to volunteer to help during the day or night, please come to the office and let us know. We would really appreciate your help.

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Remember, the school fair can only be a success if we have the support of the parents and carers!

**The school day will finish at 2.00pm on this day to enable us to set up for the Fair**  
**(The Nursery session in the afternoon will remain open until 3.00pm for all children that attend on this day)**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Tameside Christmas Toy Appeal

Donate new and unwrapped gifts for 0 - 18 years old Donate by Friday 6 December. For more information and gift ideas visit [www.actiontogether.org.uk/winter-support](http://www.actiontogether.org.uk/winter-support). Tameside 4 Good is part of the Action Together family. Charity no. 1165512.

Children aged 0 - 3 years old bath toys, building blocks, playmats, teethingers. Children aged 4 - 12 years old Activity toys, board games, dressing up outfits, puzzles.

Teenagers Art supplies, card games, gift vouchers, sports equipment.

All ages Books, gloves, hats, pyjamas, scarves, slippers, socks. We cannot accept any second hand or soft toys.

Our mission is for the 1 in 4 Tameside children living in poverty to receive a gift this Christmas.

Tel: 0161 339 2345 Email: [info@actiontogether.org.uk](mailto:info@actiontogether.org.uk).



This month we remember those who have sacrificed so much for us. We pray for calm and peace to prevail over war and conflict.

