### Milton St. John's CE Primary School Newsletter

Wednesday 6 July 2022

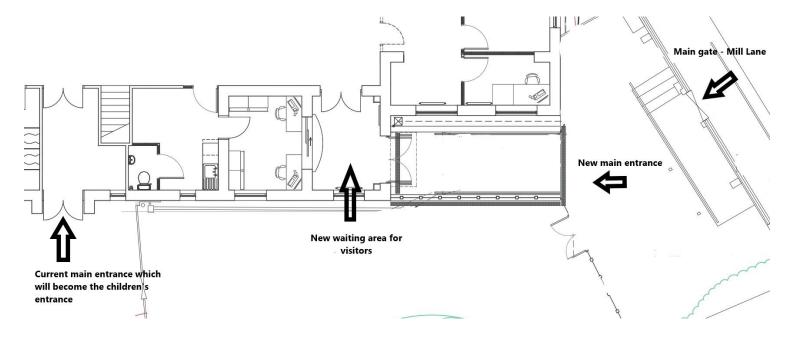
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#### **NEW MAIN ENTRANCE**

After many years of waiting, we are really pleased to let you know that the Local Authority has agreed to add a further entrance/fire exit to the main school. Once completed, visitors will enter the main school gate from Mill Lane rather than have to come through the playground to get to the office area. The project does involve a lot of work and although it will start in the summer holidays, due to the nature of the elevations and amount of work needed, it will not be completed when we return to school in September unfortunately.

In preparation for the work to be conducted, our current Year 4 class will be moving into another classroom next week (their previous Year 3 classroom). This will become the new Year 4 classroom moving forwards from September.

#### New main entrance plans



#### From Sept 22

As the work won't be completed for our return in September, all morning drop offs and pick ups will have to be via our rear kitchen entrance (via our SHINE wall) for Years 2- 6. Our morning drop off times will continue to be from 8.45-9am. Further details about pick up times will follow once we have worked out the best solution as we will only have one entrance for a period of time from September.

Although there will be disruption in the new term, we are really pleased that it is going ahead and it will really make a huge difference to the logistics of school life.

#### **CLUBS**

Please note that all clubs except Miss Kay's choir on a Thursday and the coach's club on a Friday will finish this week.

#### PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Please can you take care when in the school playground as part of the equipment is taped off as it is broken at the moment. Please be aware of this and don't let your child climb on it.

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

The school uniform is as follows and is based on the colour royal blue and red. Please note that we will be continuing to expect the children to wear the school PE kit on PE days (to be confirmed). Please ensure that your child's PE kit follows our uniform rules — correct colours and no branded items. Can we also ask that you do not buy big rucksacks for your children to bring in. Due to a lack of space in the corridors and the spacing of the coat pegs, large rucksacks do not fit on the children's pegs and often end up on the floor as trip hazards. Book bags, drawstring bags and separate lunch boxes work best (lunch boxes have designated areas to be stored). From September if your child brings in a rucksack, they may be asked not to bring it in again, so please spare your expense of not buying one over the summer.

Red polo top PE: White t-shirt (plain or with School logo)

Royal blue cardigan or jumper Black/blue shorts

Royal blue reversible fleece Black/blue jog bottoms and top Charcoal grey skirt/pinafore or trousers EYFS/KS1: plimsolls or velcroed trainers

White socks or grey tights for girls KS2: plimsolls or trainers

Grey socks for boys Black shoes (not trainers)

Please note that the uniform does not have to have the school logo on it. Should you wish to purchase school logo clothing this can be done by clicking this link <a href="mailto:web@monkhouse.com">web@monkhouse.com</a>

#### MEET THE NEW TEACHER — SEPT 22

There will be some transition sessions for the children in the following weeks, but additional to this, parents can come and meet the new class teachers between the time of 3.30 - 4.00pm on the following dates.

Class Sept 22	Teacher organisation from Sept 22	Meet the new teacher meeting date
Year 1	Miss Rollinson (Mrs Leaney on a	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July
	Friday)	(for current Reception parents)
Year 2	Miss Rodgers	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July
		(for current Year 1 parents)
Year 3	Miss Hurst	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July
		(for current Year 2 parents)
Year 4	Mrs Tann	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July
		(for current Year 3 parents)
Year 5	Mrs Gerrard	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July
		(for current Year 4 parents)

#### **CHRIS CYPRUS'S VISIT**

Yesterday, we were very lucky as artist Chris Cyprus' visited us to judge the Jubilee art competition. It was an incredibly difficult job to do as the children did so well! Chris was particularly impressed with the entries from the children in the photograph below and commended them for their efforts. However, his main job was to decide which class' collective effort would win an amazing trip to his studio! The winning class was Year 2!!

As time is short before the end of the year, the trip may be organised for the Year 2 children in the Autumn term. Well done everyone!





#### **THANK YOU!**

We would just like to say a huge thank you to Ellie Shember-Critchley for all her help and support as a Governor over the years. Ellie has freely given up her time to support the schools in various ways. Some of the things Ellie has been involved in have included setting the school's vision, aims and objectives through regular Governors meetings, overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent through her role on the finance committee, meeting with Ofsted during an inspection and appointing new staff as well as much more!

Her time and support for the school really has been appreciated and she will be missed. However, a new adventure awaits Ellie and the girls and we wish them the best of luck for the future!

#### **END OF YEAR SERVICE**

On Tuesday 26 July at 9.30am, we will be holding our end of year service on the pitch (weather permitting). All parents are welcome to attend. Chairs will be limited though on the day, so feel free to bring a camping chair to sit on.

#### **SCHOOL TRIPS**

Polite reminder – All classes have a trip arranged over the next few weeks. If you haven't already paid for your child's trip, please can you log into Schoolmoney and pay for the trip before the deadline stated in your trip letter. This is not applicable to the Year 6 Bowling trip.

#### PTA SUMMER FAIR UPDATE 14 July 4.30pm - 6pm



We need your help to make the fair a success! We need parent volunteers to help on a stall for an hour. If you can do this then please let your child's class teacher know on dojo.

We need a treasure map to be drawn for our find the treasure game (we can provide the A3 card) please dojo if you would be able to do this.

#### **Donations needed please:**

To avoid plastic waste this year, rather than a plastic cup being used, the PTA would like people to recycle a clean empty jar of any size or shape from home and decorate it and fill it with sweets or treasures that can be sold at the fair. Jars need to be back into school by Monday 11 July so that they can be judged. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative jars.

#### Other items needed...

If you have any unwanted **soft toys/teddies** (not toys), please bring them into the School office for our teddy tombola, which is always really popular.

We will also require cakes on the morning of the fair, to be sold on our cake stall.

If you have any unwanted small plastic toys/bubble wands/party bag treasures we can use as prizes. A good chance to have a clear out! Please don't send anything that is broken or scratched.

Any raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated.

To help with the success of the fair there will be a non-uniform day on **Thursday 7 July** for all children in exchange for a chocolate donation for the Fair and an additional non-uniform day on **Thursday 14 July** in exchange for bottle donations.

#### **DIARY DATES**

Thursday 7 July 2022 Friday 8 July 2022 Wednesday 13 July 2022 Thursday 14 July 2022 Friday 15 July 2022 Wednseday 20 July 2022 Thursday 21 July 2022 Nursery Trip to Allotment Cafe Yr 5a and Yr 5b Trip to Eden Camp Yr 6 Trip to Bowling PTA Summer Fair Yr 2 and Yr 3 Trip to Cannon Hall Yr 4 Trip to Standedge Tunnel Reception and Yr 1 Trip to Treetops

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



On Sunday 10th July, we will celebrate George Butterworth-Sice, on what would be his 15th birthday, with the first ever 4 GeorgeFest 4, which we hope will be an annual event. Live music from loads of great local talent and delicious food at The Rising Sun Mossley, 2pm - 8pm 🕭

We'll be raising money for George's Den - a safe, indoor space for the youth of Mossley to socialise and be themselves, the foundations built on our cherished memories of George. No ticket required, but donations gladly received, suggested donation £5 per person. Please come along and tell your friends.

#### ST GEORGE'S JUNIOR CHURCH AND SUMMER FAIR

Junior Church is every Sunday during term time 11am – 12pm ages 3 to 16.

Our Summer Fair is at the George Lawton Hall on Saturday 9 July 10am to 1pm. There will be a variety of stalls and a Children's Colouring Corner. All are welcome

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration in the park had to be postponed.. It is now being held on Sunday 10th July, 11am to 3pm in the "Top Park"





# TRUTHFULNESS HOME SCHOOL VALUES

This term we will be focussing in school on the value TRUTHFULNESS. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

## TALK TOGETHER about Truthfulness

'I promise to tell the **truth**, the whole **truth** and nothing but the **truth**, so help me God'

In a court of law a witness swears an oath on the Bible or another sacred text, but sometimes in everyday life people find it more difficult to be **truthful**.

Talk together about occasions when complete honesty could cause trouble or be hurtful. For example:

- When a member of your family asks you if you like their new shoes
- When telling the **truth** will get your friend into trouble
- When someone asks what you are thinking but the answer would hurt their feelings

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## READ TOGETHER... A Day That Changed Everything

It began just as any other day.

Peter the fisherman was mending his nets as he always did.

But then Peter met Jesus. On that ordinary day his life was changed for ever.

Peter was to actually *see* Jesus heal people who were ill, make blind people see again, and turn 5 loaves and 2 fish into a feast for 5000!

Peter became Jesus' follower and friend. "I will do anything for you" he said to Jesus. "Just say the word!"

"One day you will tell people you never knew me" said Jesus, "and then a cock will crow."

"No" shouted Peter "Never, Never, Never!"

Sure enough, life for Jesus did become difficult - difficult and dangerous.

The day came when Jesus was on trial for his very life. He needed his friend to stand by him. But Peter said "I don't know him, I never knew him, I never saw him before."

And at the end of the day a cock crowed.....just as Jesus had said it would.

Jesus was sentenced to death and crucified, even though he had done nothing wrong.

But death could not defeat God's Son! Three days later Jesus was alive again and went to find his friend, not to blame him but to forgive him.

It was a new day and Peter had another chance.

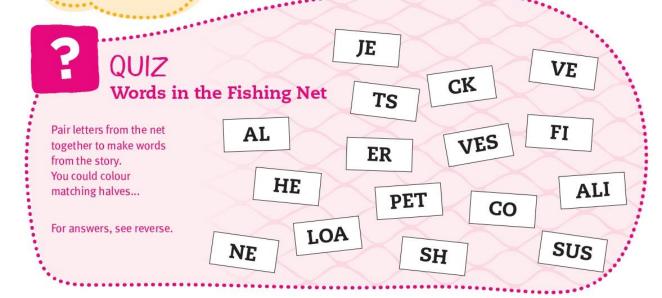
Everything was different!

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## THINK TOGETHER Words of Wisdom

"To be **truthful** with others, you must first be **truthful** with yourself"

Anon



## A HALL OF FAME

#### Aung San Suu Kyi

For many years the nation of Burma was ruled by their ruthless army which refused to allow the ordinary citizens to have free elections to choose their leaders. If Burmese people spoke openly about politics they were thrown

into prison or even killed. But a tiny brave woman called Aung San Suu Kyi refused to be silent about the **truth** of what was happening in her country. She campaigned openly but peacefully in the streets and around the world for Burma to have free elections. For this the army put her under house arrest, keeping her prisoner in her own home for 20 years! Whilst under arrest she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for being 'an outstanding example of the power of the powerless'

In 2010 Aung San Suu Kyi was finally freed by the army just after free elections were held in Burma for the first time. On her release thousands of people gathered to welcome and thank her for standing for **truth** and democracy and helping to bring about change in Burma.





#### Truth be Told

If you could ask a famous person (from history or alive today) to answer a question about themselves what would it be? For example,

An Olympic medal winner – Have you ever been tempted to cheat? What made you decide that it was best to be honest?

Aung San Suu Kyi - Was there ever a time when you felt like giving up your campaign in Burma?

Make a colourful question mark and write your question on it to take into school to display in the Gallery.





Humans and giraffes have the same number of bones in their necks.

You can't tickle yourself.

You can't keep your eyes open when you sneeze.

Overnight while you sleep you grow nearly 1 cm, but you shrink again next day.

The length from you wrist to your elbow is the same as the length of your foot.

In 30 minutes an average person gives off enough heat to bring over 2 litres of water to the boil.

FAMILY FOCUS

The human body is probably the most complex machine on earth. But do you know what your body is made of, how it moves and how all the parts work together?

See if you can answer these questions correctly.

1 is is made up of -20%, 50% or 80% water.

b. Taking a step forward uses - 30, 100 or 200 muscles

c. A single blood cell takes ½, 1 or 4 minutes to make
a complete circuit of the body?

d. An adult has 158, 206 or 278 bones in their body?

e. A finger nail takes 3, 4 or 6 months to grow from base to tip?

Answers to Quiz: JESUS PETER HEAL LOAVES FISH NETS COCK ALIVE Answers to Family Focus: a 80, b 200, c 1, d 206, e 6

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Do you need support, advice and guidance?

The Parenting Team are here to support parents, carers and professionals.

Please contact:

parentingreferrals@tameside. gov.uk

Please note that e-mails will only be viewed during 8.30am and 5pm – Monday to Friday.

Your email will be forwarded to one of our parenting coordinators who will aim to respond within 48 hours.