

Milton St. John's CE Primary School Newsletter

Wednesday 19 October 2022

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HARVEST

Yesterday our Pupil Worship Leaders did a fantastic job of leading our Harvest Service at St John's Church. This was the first time they had done anything like this and did a superb job. Well done everyone!

We'd also like to thank Mr Maiden for opening Church for us so that we could use it for our service. We appreciate the link with St John's and really enjoy coming to church for our services.



TAG RUGBY COMPETITION

We'd like to say a huge well done to the Year 6 children who represented the school at a tag rugby competition last week. They did so well that they got through to the finals last night!

Unfortunately, they did not win the final, but Mrs Murray and Mrs Phillips commented on their amazing team spirit and their determination when they faced being a player down due to illness and experienced injuries. They demonstrated resilience and positive attitudes throughout. Well done everyone – a great credit to the school!

We also need to thank Mrs Murray, Mrs Johnson and Mrs Phillips for enabling the children to take part.



CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION – QUICK TURNAROUND

Tameside Cultural Services have a competition for creating a Christmas card design for the Civic Mayor of Tameside's Christmas card, however please be aware that the deadline for this is Friday 21 October.

How children can take part

Theme: Anything that relates to the idea of Christmas. You can include a Christmas message within your design or it could be a wonderful design linked to Father Christmas, Christmas trees and decorations, it's up to you.

Artwork size: Please use A4 paper and this can be either a landscape or portrait design. Please leave at least 1cm blank on each side of the design.

Artwork: Can be either black and white or full colour. Please avoid using anything like glitter or metallic colours as these will not scan well. Please add the pupil/ student's first name only, plus the name of the school they attend on the reverse (or along the edge) of the Christmas Card. If easier please number the designs and send a numbered list of name/ year group.

If your child would like to enter, please send in their designs on Friday 21 October.

The Mayor's office will shortlist the designs down to six designs and then the Civic Mayor will choose the winning

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.

entries. There will be first, second and third winning designs, with the artist behind the design each receiving a mayoral pin badge. The winning design and designer will also be receiving 10 copies of their design as a Christmas card to keep. Further to this the winner will be invited to attend a meeting with the Mayor in his Civic Chambers, if this is something they would like to do.

NO CLUBS ON PARENTS' EVENING NIGHTS

Please note that the Health and Wellbeing clubs for Years 4/5 on Wednesday and Thursday night and the Year 6 Homework club will not be on this week whilst we have our Parents' evenings.

PARENTS' QUESTIONNAIRE REMINDER

We sent out a Parents' questionnaire last week by text message. If you haven't done so already, please can you spend a few minutes of your time completing one questionnaire per child by clicking on the link below by Friday 21 October. It will help us improve the learning environment and enjoyment for your child.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=CrtzuzTHfEWNMuVWCXyII5f4m10CHFpOiCwGmbT3cslUNUXEOTA4MDNHM043R09RTIBZSDZPNzVHMC4u>

CLOSING DATE FOR HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The closing date for online Secondary school applications for 2023 via Tameside Council is 31 October 2022.

Please visit https://www.tameside.gov.uk/schools/admissions#_How_to_Apply for further details.

MID DAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We have a fixed term mid-day assistant vacancy in school. Please see below.

MID DAY ASSISTANT

Fixed term contract (31st Aug 2023) - Term Time only

6.25 hours a week – 5 days a week (Mon- Fri)

Salary: Grade A Scale Point 1

Closing date – 21st October 2022

Milton St John's CE Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Appointments to this post are subject to an enhanced DBS check.

If you are interested in the post above, please contact the office and we will send you further details.

PANTOMIME TRIP

Last week we sent out an email about the Panto trip for our KS2 children (Yr 3-6) Thursday 1 December 2022. This year to help parents it is possible to pay by instalments on Schoolmoney, or you can pay the full amount. The first instalment must be paid by Friday 21 October. Please see your letter for details.

NON SCHOOL DRESS DAY

We would like to continue to support our local Food Bank this Harvest. Therefore, we are holding a non-uniform day on the last day of this half term, Friday 21 October for a donation of £2 which you can pay now on 'Schoolmoney'. All money raised will be donated to Mossley Food Bank. Please could you make sure that children who have PE on this day wear suitable clothing to take part in PE activities.

JOIN THE PTA!

We are a small group of parents and staff who support the school through organising fun activities for the children and occasional fundraising events. We are in need of new members and all ideas are welcome! Our next meeting will be 8pm on Tuesday 8 November in the Rising Sun pub – please join us if you can.

POPPY APPEAL

Poppies will be on sale from tomorrow. Suggested donations start from 50p - £1.00 for various Poppy themed items.

PTA CHRISTMAS CARDS

PTA Christmas designs are back!

We are once again working with Xmas4Schools to offer children the chance to design their own Christmas cards and products! Forms will be sent home this week. If you would like to get involved, please complete your design over the half-term holiday at home and return it to school (NB no payment required) by Monday 31 October. Designs will then be sent for processing and you will receive an email with all the details for online ordering. Please remember the handy dos and don'ts below when creating your design...



Xmas4schools™



ARTWORK INSTRUCTIONS FOR TEACHERS/ORGANISERS

Please read these instructions carefully to ensure you get the best results:



DO ✓

- Bright, colourful Christmas designs that fill the A4 paper produce the best results.
- Use paint, felt tip, crayon, inks and coloured pencils.
- Use collage.
- Use **glitter glue**.
- Make sure any text is bold, legible and **kept AWAY** from the edges of the A4 paper.

DON'T ✗

- Please **DO NOT** use sprinkle glitter (glitter glue is fine) - it has a tendency to fall off and end up on other children's artwork and our scanners!
- If you are doing collage, please **MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS ARE FIRMLY STUCK DOWN TO STOP THEM FALLING OFF**
- **Avoid metallic finishes** over large areas.
- **Pale coloured pencils** on a white background do not reproduce well.



PLEASE FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE BELOW FOR THE BEST RESULTS

DO ✓



- You can **colour right up to the edges**, but any **important drawings or wording** needs to be kept at least **1cm away from the sides of the paper**.

DON'T ✗



- Please also **DO NOT** draw a border unless you want it to appear on the final product.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 19 October 2022	Online Parents' evening
Thursday 20 October 2022	In person Parents' evening
Monday 31 October 2022	Deadline for High School applications
Thursday 3 November 2022	Year 2 trip to Ashton Mosque
Thursday 1 December 2022	KS2 trip to Pantomime
Fri 16 June to Mon 19 June 2023	Year 6 Kingswood residential trip



Our theme this half term is Generosity.

In worship, the children have been learning about being generous to the earth and being responsible 'Earthkeepers'. How can we all help to keep our planet healthy?

COMMUNITY NEWS



 **Dukinfield Amateur Operatic & Dramatic Society**
Proudly Presents

 Association of Community Theatre

The SOUND *of* MUSIC

This amateur production of THE SOUND OF MUSIC is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of The Rodgers & Hammerstein Organization. www.concordtheatricals.co.uk

Music by **RICHARD RODGERS**
Lyrics by **OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II**
Book by **HOWARD LINDSAY** and **RUSSEL CROUSE**
Suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp

The George Lawton Hall, Mossley
18th -22nd October 2022
Evenings at 7:15pm - Saturday Matinee at 2:15pm
For tickets call: **0161 330 2944**
Book Online : www.ticketsource.co.uk/dukinfield-aods

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Walking Workshops around Tameside

Tuesday 25 October

**Mossley Methodist Church
Chapel Street
OL5 0EX**

12noon - 2pm

**Have you ever wanted to
explore the natural beauty
of Mossley?**

**Join us for a Walk Your Way coffee
morning to find out about family friendly
trails, walking hints and tips, and how to
encourage more people to get out and
walking in Mossley.**

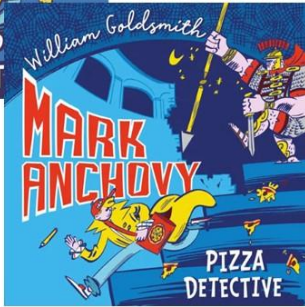
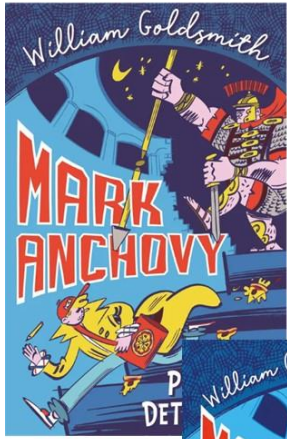
**Children welcome.
Light refreshments available.**

**Join GM Walking, your local
town team, Mossley Heritage and
Tameside MBC to start
Walking Your Way.**

Tameside
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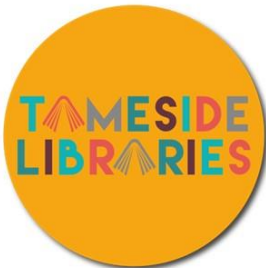


Free ebook and eaudiobook download with your library card!

Colin Kingsley is a pizza delivery boy with a twist. He's actually an aspiring private detective. He's desperate for an interesting case to solve - that is, until the Golden Spatula League come calling, the greatest of all detective agencies, who only recruit children and have been hugely impressed by Colin's amazing memory skills.

To join their ranks, Colin - codenamed 'Mark Anchovy' - must fly to Rome to track the movements of known art forger Mr Big Al Fresco - who is suspected of stealing the valuable painting, Girl With A Squirrel, worth something in the region of 20 million US dollars.

Using only his wits and memory while working undercover at Mr Fresco's favourite pizzeria, Il Casa Bianca, Mark Anchovy must crack the code and solve the greatest mystery the Golden Spatula League has ever encountered. And all while escaping the beady eye of his crusty history teacher, Mr Hogstein . . .



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in October 2022 on Borrowbox!

Download to your phone, tablet or PC
with your library card.

www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries





Drop in Chess

at Ashton Library



Learn to play or practise your chess skills.
Free sessions open to all.

Saturdays 1.30 - 2.30 pm

Run in conjunction with Ashton Community Chess Club
www.ashtonccc.co.uk



Half term activities

with crafts, game and a treasure hunt on the theme of

Diwali

Festival of Lights



Monday 24 October

10.30 – 11.30 am

Droylsden Library

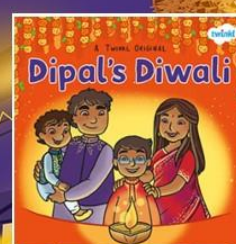
Manchester Road, M43 6EP

Tuesday 25 October

11.00 am – 12.00 noon

Dukinfield Library

Concord Way, SK16 4DB



Thursday 27 October

2.15 – 3.15 pm

Hattersley Library

The Hub, SK14 6NT

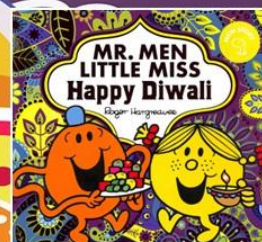
Friday 28 October

3.00 - 4.00 pm

Ashton Library

Tameside One, OL6 6BH

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LIBRARIES**



**Aimed at children aged 4-11 and their grown ups.
No need to book, just come along on the day.**