



# MILLFIELD NEWS

## January 2018

### New Year

After the excitement at the end of the Autumn term, we have returned to school ready to start a new year with new learning. Pupils in all phases are starting new topics. Key Stage 1 have chosen the topic 'Animals including humans'. Key Stage 2 are studying 'The Anglo Saxons' and 'Humans with a focus on teeth' in Science. The children in Nursery and Reception are learning all about the variety of stories on offer including fairy tales.



### 'Aladdin' Pantomime



In the afternoon of Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February we have arranged for the whole school to enjoy a visit from a theatre company presenting the pantomime 'Aladdin'.

### Congratulations to Miss Collins

Huge congratulations go to Miss Collins on the arrival of her first baby. Although still in hospital, Mother and baby are doing incredibly well after the surprise arrival of baby Henry last week. As previously shared, we are very fortunate to be covering Miss Collins' roles internally. Mr Stary will be Cherry class teacher and will be meeting with parents and carers for the parent consultations on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018. Mrs Wagstaff, who has been working with Miss Collins as the SENCO, will return to be Millfield's SENCO for the time being. This will provide an excellent consistency for children.



### NURSERY ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

Parents of children born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 can now apply for their nursery place to start in September 2018. The application process has changed from previous years and an application must now be made direct to the School. Please view further admission details and download the application form via the school's website. Alternatively, please contact the School Office.

### **Application Process:**

<b>Applications Open</b>	<b>Applications Close</b>	<b>School Places Offered</b>	<b>Deadline to Respond</b>
8th January 2018	23rd February 2018	20th March 2018	28th March 2018



## **Fund Raising**

Millfield PTA is overjoyed to announce that they are the recipients of a very generous donation of £4900.68. This was raised through the Co-Op's local fundraising scheme; we are extremely grateful to everyone that chose Millfield PTA as their charity, as well as to the Co-Op for their support. It has certainly set the bar high for the rest of the year! Following a very successful Autumn term, the PTA are planning a number of events for this term including a magic show with Mr Marvel and our very popular Easter Egg Hunt followed by a party.

## **Year 4 Swimming Gala**

Ten children from Year 4 attended a swimming gala at Freman College on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January. The first races were individual 25m freestyle races. Millfield children tried their best; earning a range of places, with second place being the most common position. Well done to all our children who took part! There were then team events. The first was a relay where the children had to swim with a woggle and pass the woggle to their next team member. This was followed by a similar relay but this time a body-board was used. Finally, the last race involved a large mat. The first swimmer swam with the mat to the second and then both children swam to collect the third swimmer and so on. At the end, all 10 children brought the large mat back, climbed out and sat on their mat. It was a great event, Edwinstree pupils helped to lead the younger children throughout the morning.



## **Speed Stacking**



KS2 children at Millfield took part in the Speed Stacking competition which was held at Edwinstree Middle School. Millfield came in second place. The fastest time for Millfield's 3 3 3 stack was 5:84 seconds and the fastest for the 3 6 3 stack was 4:11 seconds. Well done Team Millfield! All the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were exceptionally well behaved.

## **Pupil Premium Funding**

As you will be aware some families are able to claim Pupil Premium funding for their child. This is a considerable amount of money (£1,320) which is given to the school and allows us to offer extra support to your child. Pupil Premium children do not pay for any school trips or visits etc. Checking to see if you are eligible is easy, please register at [www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals). If parents do not register we are not able to claim this additional funding so please check if you are able to have this funding for your child. If you require any further information please contact the School Office.

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