



Dear Parents,

Christmas is well and truly on it's way. The corridors are full of Christmas songs being prepared for our performances next week and they sound great! I hope you will be able to join us! As per usual, we will be selling some lovely card framed photos of your child in their Xmas performance costume. As last year, these will be sold for £5, with the option of having the master copy emailed to you for an additional £2. All money raised will go towards our Early Years outside area and School Hall.

We had the pleasure of a visit from some officers from Surrey Police on Thursday morning, including a sniffer dog and it's handler. The children really enjoyed the visit and found out a little bit about safety and how Police Officers are people that are there to help us to feel and stay safe.

Our final newsletter of the term will be on our last day - Wednesday 19th December, where school finishes at 1.00pm. Have a great weekend.

Andrew Stear

DIARY DATES

Mon	10.12.18	Christmas Performance (Willow and Oak) for Parents 1.30-2.15pm	Mon	17.12.18	Elm/Lime to Dower and Clockhouse 11a.m.
Tues	11.12.18	Christmas Performance (Lime and Beech) for Grandparents and Toddlers 1.30-2.15pm	Tues	18.12.18	Christmas Fair (3.15 - 5pm)
Wed	12.12.18	Christmas Performance (Elm and Cherry) for Grandparents and Toddlers 1.30-2.15pm	Wed	19.12.18	Carols Around the Tree - 9.15-9.45am
Thurs	13.12.18	Christmas Performance (Lime and Beech) for Parents 1.30-2.15pm	Wed	19.12.18	Last Day of term school closes at 1pm
Fri	14.12.18	Christmas Performance (Elm and Cherry) for Parents 1.30-2.15pm	Thurs	03.01.19	School resumes at 8.55am
Fri	14.12.18	Christmas Jumper Day in aid of a charity to be decided by The School Council	Fri	11.01.19	Feeling Friendly Friday (anti-bullying)
Fri	14.12.18	Christmas Lunch (Christmas hats welcome)	Thurs	17.01.19	Pied Piper Theatre 'The Big Enormous Present'
			Thurs	14.02.19	Cake Sale after school
			Mon	25.02.19	Inset Day
			Fri	15.03.19	Mufti Day - Easter Egg contribution
			Fri	29.03.19	Easter Fair
			Mon	03.06.19	Inset Day
			Wed	24.07.19	Inset Day

Thank you!



Thank you to Squires Garden Centre for, once again, providing our Christmas tree this year.

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 14th December

Children can wear a Christmas Jumper with their school uniform on Friday 14th December. Please bring a suggested contribution of £1 for a charity to be decided by the School Council.

Christmas Performance



Please ensure you bring your tickets to the performance and do not bring any extra people as we will have to turn them away. We are required, by law, to monitor the number of people we have in the School hall for these performances. Please note there will be a collection afterwards that will be donated to a charity which will be chosen by the School Council. Any donations will be gratefully received. There will also be programmes available at a cost of 50p each.

Christmas Photos

Photos of your child in their costume, presented in a card frame will be for sale after all the parent Christmas performances at a cost of £5.00. All profits will go towards the school fund and will be spent on Early Years and the School Hall.

Meet the Headteacher 2019

The following sessions are for you as parents to come and discuss anything about Milford School with me. I am here to listen. If you cannot make it, you are most welcome to pop something in an envelope labelled 'Meet the Headteacher' and I will ensure it is discussed at the meeting. Following the meetings, the areas discussed will be published and responded to on our website. You can of course also email in to the school office, who will ensure I receive any correspondence. Many thanks for your continued support of our school.

Year R - Thursday 17th January 9am

Year 1 - Friday 18th January 9am

Year 2 - Friday 18th January 2.30pm

Stars of the Week 23rd November

Elm

Seb: For your confidence when learning about multiplication and for your excellent reasoning. Well done!

Darcey: For super confidence in maths and really getting to grips with multiplication. Well done!

Lime

Jasper: For a fantastic attitude to his learning.

Ruby: For a fantastic attitude to his learning.

Beech

Patrick: For excellent listening skills in English

Poppy: Always being a wonderful role model to others

Cherry

Lollie: For great listening and valuable contributions during our class learning time.

Isla: For amazing effort with her learning this week.

Willow

Finley: For designing and making a super robot mask in the workshop and some super writing.

Alex: For fantastic sentence writing, recognising his next steps then working on them straight away.

Oak

Evie: For independent writing in the mark making area (such as a register) and amazing writing about Biscuit Bear.

Otylia: For independent writing in the mark making area and trying hard with all of her learning this week.

Christmas Fair Collection Time - Wednesday 18th December



Children should be collected at the normal time on the day of the Christmas Fair i.e. 3.15p.m.

School Meals - Registration



The deadline for ordering school dinners on-line is Saturday 29th December Please do so a.s.a.p so that your child gets a meal at the start of term.

Primary School Admission for 2019-2020

If your child is born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 you will need to apply on-line for a place for him/her at primary school. Please come to the office if you require a leaflet on how to apply for a place for your child. Please note the application deadline is **Tuesday 15th January 2019**.

Year 2 Junior School Transfer 2019-2020

All Year 2 parents will need to apply for a place at Junior School. The application deadline is **Tuesday 15th January 2019**. Please come to the office if you require a leaflet on how to apply.

Coats

Please ensure always that your child has a coat with them for outdoor play, particularly during the cold weather.

Stars of the Week 30th November

Elm

Lucy: For your super understanding of division and your excellent explanation which proved I was wrong!

Eloise: For your super positive attitude and sunny smile! You are an excellent role model to others! Thank you!

Lime

Amelie: For always trying your best at everything and challenging yourself.

Reuben: For sharing your ideas on the carpet and challenging yourself.

Beech

Niamh: For wonderful explaining in maths.

Stanley: For always giving every piece of work 100%.

Cherry

Bradley: For being an all round superstar in Cherry Class

Emilia: For always putting in 100% effort. Well done!

Willow

Bea: for her excellent ordering of numbers in maths and super sentence writing.

Louis: for always being kind and supportive to his classmates and accessing all areas of learning independently.

Oak

Ava: For applying herself with her learning, contributing well during carpet sessions and smiling every day!

Rafferty: for trying hard to write his name, a fantastic effort with his learning and being a friendly member of Oak class.

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child wears our school uniform each day. Lots of children do this and they look really smart and show great pride - look smart, feel smart! Recently though quite a few children have not been wearing appropriate footwear. Please ensure that your child wears footwear in line with our policy as follows: The most important item of our school uniform is the school sweatshirt or cardigan. Children are permitted to wear the grey, school logo sweatshirt or cardigan only.

Other items are:

white blouse, shirt or polo shirt

grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress

green and white checked dress

grey or white socks

black shoes of a sturdy, sensible style for safety at play times (no logos or trainers).

For PE the children should wear a green Milford t-shirt and navy or black shorts with plimsolls or trainers. During winter it would be a good idea to send in a jumper or hoodie in case the children are doing outdoor PE.

Messy Church - Milford Village Hall

Come and join Messy Church where there will be stories, sport, craft, games and food! This is organised by Milford Baptist Church and St John's Church and will take place on Saturday 15th December at the Milford Village Hall between 4-6p.m. The theme is Christmas and the Nativity Story.

School's Policy on Videoing/Photography of School Events



Governors have agreed that parents and carers can take photos and videos at the school performances. Please note the School's policy below:

- Parents and carers can use photographs and videos taken at a school event for their **own personal use** only. Such photos and videos **cannot be sold and must not be put on the web/internet** due to Data Protection legislation, which in such circumstance is likely to be contravened.
- Recording or photographing other than for private use would require the consent of all the other parents whose children may be included in the images.
- Parents and carers must follow guidance from staff as to when photography and videoing is permitted and where to stand in order to minimise disruption to the activity.
- Parents and carers must not photograph or video children changing for performances or events.
- If you are accompanied or represented by people that school staff do not recognise, they may need to check out who they are if they are using a camera or video recorder.

However, we live in an age in which technology has vastly increased the use, and potential misuse, of photographs. In the recent past there has been concern about the possibility of a child being identified by a photograph in the Press, or in the filming of a school event, in case they are put at risk of being targeted for abuse. Having taken advice from Surrey Police, Surrey County Council (the Local Education Authority) and other organisations, we believe that the risk of a child being identified by a stranger is so small that, provided reasonable steps are in place to limit the publication of their names and addresses, photography of children at the school should continue, in line with the policy set out above.

Clubs for the Spring Term

Monday w/c 14th Jan- Tennis (Year R, Year 1 and Year 2)

Tuesday w/c 7th Jan - Football (Year 1 and 2)

Wednesday w/c 7th Jan -Gymnastics (Year R, Year 1 and Year 2)

Thursday w/c 7th Jan -Tag Rugby -(Year 1 and 2)

Friday w/c 7th Jan- Karate Club (Year R, Year 1 and Year 2) - Waiting List in operation

Friday w/c 7th Jan - All Star Choir (Year R, Year 1 and Year 2)

French Club (Year R) - 7th January - 29th March

French Club (Year 1 and 2) - 10th January - 2nd April

Kickstart will launch a Reception only football club after the Easter holidays.

Waverley Police Sniffer Dogs

On Thursday we had a visit from the Waverley Police who gave the children an insight into the work that they do. They brought two of their cars to the playground and the children were able to sit in them and turn on the lights. Some of the children dressed in police uniform while others got their finger prints taken! The sniffer dogs Elsa and Trooper got biscuit treats for finding the items that were hidden for them in the playground.



Wonderful Willow Class News

We have had an amazing half term with our 'Once upon a time...' topic. We have been immersed in different traditional tales including 'The Gingerbread Man' - re-telling the story, making our own gingerbread men and creating our own culinary masterpieces in our role play bakery!



We have been learning to recognise and describe simple 2d shapes and even use the mathematical term 'vertices'! We have begun to recognise coins, apply this in our 'shops' and use our developing writing to write a receipt.



Willow have loved the story 'Biscuit Bear'. We have worked on blending sounds to help read, s-t-r-e-t-c-h-i-n-g words (saying them slowly) to hear all of the sounds needed to begin to write as well as thinking of simple sentences to describe pictures.



We have recently enjoyed the 'Elves and the Shoemaker' and have been designing our own shoes as well as trying on and buying new ones from our 'shoe shop' role play.



Oh yes... and we've even found some time to learn and practise a Reception version of the Nativity!
We hope you all enjoy it! 😊

