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Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve

Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoy this fortnight's newsletter. Lots of things have been happening at Milford School, with Year 2 visiting The Chandler for a Sports Festival and both Year 1 and 2 visiting Rodborough School for multiskills events. It has been fantastic to have had such good parent support at both of these events - we couldn't do it without you! Please note a new date - 1st December - Mrs Ward is running a parent workshop on phonics/reading from 2.30pm until pick up. She hopes to see many of you there. With that in mind, some parents have expressed an interest (jealousy!) of the Grandparents morning we hold each year. We have listened, and hope to invite parents to come into school for an hour or so in the New Year for Miss Morgan's 1st ever 'Maths Open Morning'. During this time you will have a brief discussion/presentation with Miss Morgan in the hall, detailing our approach to teaching and learning for mathematics, followed by a bit of time in classrooms seeing our approach in action. We hope both of these events will be useful for you as parents and give you the confidence and knowledge to continue to support your children to 'Grow, Learn, Believe and Achieve' in line with our School Vision. Have a good weekend!

Mr A Stear

DIARY DATES

Fri	01.12.17	Phonics/Reading Parents Workshop 2.30	Thurs	14.12.17	Christmas Performance (Beech and Lime classes) 9.30am
Fri	24.11.17	Friends Quiz - 7.30pm	Fri	15.12.17	Christmas Jumper Day in aid of 'Save the Children'
Mon	27.11.17	Phil the Bag - Drop off and Pick up times	Fri	15.12.17	Elm/Lime to Dower and Clockhouse
Tues	28.11.17	Phil the Bag - Drop off only	Fri	15.12.17	Christmas Lunch
Wed	29.11.17	Innovate Parents Tasting Evening	Fri	15.12.17	Parent Helpers Coffee Morning 9-10.30am
Fri	01.12.17	Mufti Day for Xmas Fair (2)	Mon	18.12.17	Christmas Performance (Willow and Oak classes) for Grandparents and Toddlers 2.15pm.
Fri	08.12.17	Book Fair 3.15pm	Tues	19.12.17	Christmas Performance (Willow and Oak classes) 2.15pm.
Mon	11.12.17	Christmas Performance (Cherry and Elm classes) for Grandparents and Toddlers 9.30am	Wed	20.12.17	Christmas Fair - 3.15-5.00p.m
Tues	12.12.17	Christmas Performance (Beech and Lime classes) for Grandparents and Toddlers 9.30am	Thurs	21.12.17	Carols around the Tree 9.15-9.45am
Wed	13.12.17	Christmas Performance (Cherry and Elm classes) 9.30am	Thurs	21.12.17	Last Day of term school closes at 1pm
			Thurs	04.01.18	School resumes at 8.55am

Year 1 Multi-Skills Festival - Rodborough School

"We walked all the way from Milford School to Rodborough. We were really lucky to have some friendly police officers to keep us safe on the walk. When we got there, we got into teams and we did different sports. The Rodborough children helped us. My favourite activity was when I dribbled the ball, as I was very fast. We walked back and got ready to go home. It was lots of fun."

Fife Angas, Beech Class



Star Of the Week w/e 3rd November

Elm:

Josh: Working independently, remembering to use resources

James: Having courage during class discussions and answering questions

Lime:

Theo: Sharing super ideas about our new story

Lauren: Being a resilient learner

Beech:

Fred: A wonderful firework picture using sand and glue

Lucy: A fantastic retell of 'The Gunpowder Plot'

Cherry:

Arthur: Excellent responses to questions at carpet time

Hugo: Great effort in all areas of learning

Oak:

James: Hearing letter sounds when writing his superhero sentence

Chloe: An excellent effort in writing and hearing so many sounds in the words she wanted to write

Willow:

Eli: Excellent effort in writing - forming letters beautifully and writing a full sentence independently

Stanley: His improving focus, following instructions and super work in phonics



Star Of the Week w/e 10th November

Elm:

Tilly: Positive attitude to learning and always trying to improve her work

Elliott: Slowing down and taking more time and care over his work

Lime:

Zac S: Sharing great ideas in Maths

Oli C: Being resilient in his learning

Beech:

Stanley: For answering questions clearly and thoughtfully in Maths

Freyja: For an excellent attitude to learning and thinking carefully about her answers

Cherry:

Tilly: A wonderful poppy picture for Remembrance

Isla: Persevering when writing her firework poem

Oak:

Jonah: Excellent attitude and great learning

Alice-Mai: Always trying hard and applying her learning independently

Willow:

Maddy: Always trying her best and super home learning

Jaxon: Super reading and writing and being a helpful, mature and determined member of Willow class



COME TO THE BOOK FAIR AND SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL!



We will be having a super Christmas book fair in the hall on **Friday 8th December at 3.30pm.** Hundreds of new books available from £2.99. **Buy a book and the school gets one for free!**

Christmas Tree Lighting Events

Sat 25th November at 6pm - Chichester Hall, Witley

Fri 1st December at 7pm - Milford Village Hall

Sat: 2nd December at 6pm - Pirrie Hall, Brook.

Cycling and Scooting

Can you please ensure that children do not ride their scooters and bikes in the school grounds. We have had a few near misses this week!

Calling all children!

Who's missing? Mary, Joseph, angels, shepherds, wise men ?

Yes- BABY JESUS – the reason we celebrate Christmas. But during the season of Advent (which starts on Sunday 3rd December and finishes on Sunday 24th December) you may be lucky to find a 'Baby Jesus rock' nestled on a bed of hay somewhere in Milford. Look out for him on your way to or from school, when you walk to the Jubilee field or on your way to church. We would like to invite you to bring Baby Jesus to church to the Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 4pm. If you find more than one Baby Jesus per family please leave him for someone else to find. We would like to track how many are found so you could always take a photo and upload it on [www.facebook.com @stjohnsmilford](http://www.facebook.com/@stjohnsmilford)

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