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Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve

Dear Parents,

I hope you have found the recent Parents Evenings a useful time to discuss your child's learning and progress with their teacher. These are important discussions and help to give a picture of how your child is getting on as well as providing you with some ideas of areas where you can support your child's learning further. Please do remember that we operate an open door policy and are always happy to discuss your child's learning with you if you have any concerns or just want an update from time to time. Speak to your child's class teacher to arrange this if needed. We have had quite a few absences over the last month or so - please remind your child about the importance of proper and thorough hand washing (with soap!) as this will definitely help. This week I have visited every classroom looking at the learning happening in each. It has been a real joy to see the progress our children have made since starting at Milford School:

Some great Science in Early Years with ramps and great explanations!

Some great maths measuring and lovely writing in Year 1!

Some good use of time connectives and conjunctions in Year 2!

Well done to our fantastic children and staff.

Finally, a huge thank you to the parents who are helping us in the lunch hall for the next couple of weeks. It is very much appreciated. Have a great weekend!

Andrew Stear

DIARY DATES

Fri 29.03.19 Easter Fair 3.15 - 5pm
 Thurs 04.04.19 Year 2 to Clockhouse and Dower House
 Fri 05.04.19 Spring Assembly 9.15-9.45am
 Fri 05.04.19 Last day of term school closes at 1pm
 Tues 23.04.19 School resumes at 8.55am
 Tues 30.04.19 School Photographer - Class Photos
 Mon 06.05.19 May Bank holiday
 Thurs 16.05.19 Year R to Birdworld
Half Term Mon 27.05.19-Friday 31.05.19
 Mon 03.06.19 **Inset Day**
 Wed 05.06.19 Sports Day
 Mon 10.06.19 - 14.06.19 - Science Week

Fri 14.06.19 Oak Class Assembly-Parents 9.15am
 Fri 21.06.19 Willow Class Assembly-Parents 9.15am
 Mon 24.06.19 Oak Class to Tuesley Farm
 Tues 25.06.19 Willow Class to Tuesley Farm
 Wed 03.07.19 Year 2 and Whole School Bump-up Day
 Fri 05.07.19 ACE Day Chandler
 Fri 12.07.19 Summer Fair - 3.15pm
 Fri 19.07.19 Y2 Leavers Assembly 9.15-9.45am (Parents Welcome)
 Mon 22.07.19 Y2 Leavers Party 3.15-4.45pm
 Tues 23.07.19 Last day of term - school closes 1pm
 Wed 24.07.19 **Inset Day**

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! We have noticed recently that quite a few children have not been wearing appropriate footwear. Please ensure that your child wears footwear in line with our policy outlined below.

Boys Uniform-Grey trousers/shorts, white polo shirt, grey socks, black shoes and school sweatshirt/cardigan.

Girls Uniform-Grey skirt, grey pinafore dress or trousers, white polo shirt, grey socks/tights, black shoes and school sweatshirt/cardigan. When the weather is warm girls may wear green & white checked dress, white ankle socks and school sweatshirt/cardigan.

Boys and girls are asked to wear **black shoes** of a sturdy, sensible style for safety at playtimes all year round (no open-toe sandals or boots please).

For PE the children should wear a green Milford t-shirt and navy or black shorts with plimsolls or trainers.

Jewellery

For reasons of safety, it is Surrey County policy not to allow children to wear jewellery for any physical activity. Please ensure that your child does not wear any of these items especially for PE days and we would appreciate your support if all jewellery could be avoided.

Long hair should be tied back

Stars of the Week w/e 8th March

Elm:

Leon: For your positive attitude towards learning and for developing your knowledge of how to find fractions.

Edith: For your super positive attitude to your learning and for always approaching a challenge with enthusiasm.

Lime:

Archie: For fantastic focus in his work on fractions this week.

Tilly: For working so well on her adjectives and expanded noun phrases.

Beech:

Isabel: For your super positive attitude towards learning and great independent writing.

Lexi: For amazing progress in phonics and a great attitude to learning.

Cherry:

Grace: For fantastic World Book Day writing.

Harrison: For super letter formation in his World Book Day writing.

Willow:

Jessica: For her super independent writing and working hard on her next steps to improve it.

Lily: for great independent mark-making and using her 'personal power' to make good choices.

Oak:

Theo: For excellent engagement on the carpet and responding well to questions. Being kind to friends.

Martha: For fantastic child initiated maths learning this week recording addition in her own way.

Godalming Singing Festival

On Wednesday evening some Year 2 children took part in the Godalming Singing Festival at Rodborough School. Our children were as always impeccably behaved and did a brilliant job of singing their song as well as joining in with all of the other songs they have been learning over the past few months. It is always great to be a part of these community events and I'd like to thank our parents and carers for their support and attendance and also Miss Jones and Mrs Hearsom for organising and preparing the children so well.

Ground Force Day - Sunday 24th March

The Friends are holding a Ground Force Day this Sunday 24th March from 10.00 - 12.00am. All are welcome (parents, carers, children, family and friends) to come along for half an hour or more to help tidy up, refresh and replant the school premises. We are focusing on the Year 2 outside area, and if we have enough helpers the pond area too. The weather looks to be kind (fingers crossed) and there will be refreshments available.

If you are able to come along, please e-mail milfordschoolfriends@gmail.com, so that we can be sure we have enough helpers to go ahead.

Stars of the Week w/e 15th March

Elm:

Lucy: For becoming more confident when explaining how you found your answers in Maths. Great work, keep it up!

Freyja: For your fabulous adventure story and for being able to edit your writing. Well done!

Lime:

Hugo: For outstanding effort in your writing.

Tilly: For showing our value of empathy and being a good friend.

Beech:

Rowan: For excellent work partitioning numbers in Maths. Well done!

Niamh: For beautiful drawings of fossils from Haslemere Museum. Well done!

Cherry:

Emma: For fantastic fossil drawing at Haslemere Museum.

Lollie: For demonstrating many of our school values every day in Cherry Class.

Willow:

Arabella: For being an understanding friend and for being keen to learn - especially in Maths this week.

Gabriel: For beginning to settle into school, try his best, having a go and starting to build new friendships.

Oak:

Emily: For applying herself and learning independently and being super proud of her achievements.

Millie: For being a fantastic role-model, being always ready to learn and now applying her learning independently.

Mr Stear in the classroom!

I have spent a lot of time in classrooms teaching over the last few weeks and I have thoroughly enjoyed spending time with all of the children. It has been really interesting and exciting to see all of the different learning going on. In Reception I taught phonics, music and we also learnt about different methods of travelling. In Year 1 I have taught English (a recount of the Haslemere Museum visit - which the children told me was great!), Art - sketching using different direction pencil strokes (not my strength, but somehow the children produced fantastic work!) and reading. In Year 2 I have had the pleasure of teaching some Science, where Elm Class in particular really impressed me with their independence and understanding of the parts of plants and their function. I look forward to my next visit!

Red Nose Day

Thank you all for your donations for Red Nose Day. We raised a total of £109.00 which is fantastic!