

Last Week's Attendance %		
RNK	97.9	
RNW	94.6	
1RT	98.9	2 nd
1SM	99.5	1 st
2SG	98.3	3 rd
2SP	92.1	
Target	100%	



MILLBROOK PARK
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

RESPECT

KINDNESS

COURAGE

RESILIENCE



Monday 8th May 2017

Dear Families,

Year 2 will begin their SAT's on the week commencing Monday 15th May and these assessments will be spread out until Friday 26th May 2017. Please ensure your Year 2 child is in, every day, on time especially during this period. We are all aware of what good routines are with children, but sometimes in the busyness of everything routines can start to slip. This is a good opportunity to consider if all children (not just Y2) have got good week day routines in place, especially as the evenings are lighter, later which means it does not feel like bedtime at the usual time:

- Time shared after school appropriately between eating together, homework and leisure time – not too much of any of these.
- A clear settling down time for bed which might involve a bath and a story or chat.
- A sensibly timed, non-negotiable bed-time which will allow children to get enough sleep.
- A really effective morning routine which ensures there is enough time to eat breakfast and to get ready, so the journey to school starts on time.
- Setting off to school on time, so you 'Beat the Gate'.

Yours, Nicola (Head of School)

Dates for you diary – May

Thu-18th Whole school science assembly, then Y1 science workshops
Tue 23rd School tour 9.30am for prospective parents

After School Activity Clubs – Summer Term

Chess - Mon 24th April to Mon 10th July
Dance - Tue 25th April to Tue 4th July
Recorders - Tue 25th April to Tue 20th June
Kick Boxing – Wed 26th April to Wed 5th July
Drama - Thu 27th April to Thu 6th July
Cooking – Thu 27th April to Thu 6th July
Tag-Rugby – Fri 28th April to Fri 7th July

Weeding Team

This Friday, groups of children will be removing the weeds in the landscaped beds at the front of school. Activities like these often serve as great science lessons, as the children will be noticing and talking about the physical characteristics of the weeds such as the roots and to question what the purpose of the roots being beneath the surface of the soil.

Here are the 'BEFORE' pictures...hopefully the 'AFTER' pictures next week, will show an improvement!



Police Meeting – Virgin Active Thefts

One of our governors, Mike Roberts attended a local community police meeting recently. He wanted to pass on this information to families: “At the Virgin Active gym there has been a spate of thefts. Apparently, if you’re a member of one V.A. gym anywhere in the country you have access to all the others. It seems that people are joining elsewhere and going along to the Mill Hill gym to break open lockers in the changing rooms. On one occasion 34 broken locks were found in the men’s changing room. If any of the Millbrook families or school staff are members there it’s worth knowing so that they can be careful about what you leave in a locker.”

Resilience Theme of the Week Making mistakes is OK!

In assembly we shared how embarrassing, annoying or upsetting it can feel when we make mistakes. We talked about the fact that EVERYONE makes mistakes and we agreed that it is 'ok' to make mistakes. In fact, many surprising things can come from mistakes, and we usually learn something too. We can't stop making mistakes but we can change how we react, when we make them. If you have time, talk about this at home and share mistakes you have made with your children. It is always interesting to research mistakes made by inventors which led to amazing discoveries:

Richard Jones made the slinky by mistake -

...and we all like the story of 'penicillin'.



School Text Message System

Please note that the school do not receive replies to text messages.

School Data Sheets

All children in Year 1 and Year 2 were given data sheets for checking / amendment. Please make sure you return your child's data sheet to the office even if there are no changes, this is to enable the school to ensure all our records are up to date in case of an emergency.

PiPs Meeting

All parents/carers are invited to the next PiPs meeting which will be on Wednesday 7th June at 7.30pm in the science room. The meeting is being held in the evening to enable working parents to attend. Please do come along and join us.

Parking Tickets

Unfortunately the members of PiPs who were in school recently taking part in their meeting, all received parking tickets outside Millbrook, in the bays. There have still been very few occasions this has happened but please do be aware it is certainly something which does happen from time to time if anyone parks outside of the allocated hours.

Lost Property

The lost property box in the school office is full! There are two coats, a school bag with a teddy attached, lots of hats and gloves and bits of school uniform, etc. Please do come and have a look for any missing items.

Parent Courses

The Keeping up with Maths and English courses have been **cancelled** as the tutor has left Barnet college.

We are trying to re book with the new tutor but the day has been changed to **Wednesday**. Please put your name down on the new list in the office if you would like to attend. Actual dates and times to be confirmed.

Music Tuition from Year 3 only

From September 2017 Millbrook Park School will be in partnership with Barnet Educational Arts Trust (BEAT) and offer private lessons during the school time at Millbrook Park.

Music teachers will be coming into school in the next few weeks to demonstrate their instruments to the children. Please note we have made a change to the offer. You can now book for three instruments via BEAT; flute, clarinet and trumpet/cornet at school.

You can now sign your child up at <http://beatrust.org.uk/>, Enrol, School Based Instrumental Lessons, Sign up and pay online.

The deadline to sign up and pay is Monday 10th July 2017.

Or you can book violin lessons directly through Mrs Emanuel are recorder teacher, details to follow next week.

Children who have shown particular 'resilience' this week are:

Kaiden (writing), Micah (running), Kauga, Lilly (building), Kytto, Leah (building), and Artin.

Weekly Star Awards



Dates for your diary

June

Tue 6 th – Fri 9 th	Possible LBB moderation
Wed 7 th	PiPs meeting, 7.30pm, science room
Thu 8 th Jun – 13 th July	Parent Course – Keeping Up with Children’s Maths 9-11am
Mon 19 th	School Class Photos
Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th	Year 1 Phonics Screener
Tue 13 th	SOLD Share Our Learning Day
Thu 15 th	School tour 9.30am for prospective parents
Fri 16 th	R, Y1 & Y2 Sports Day - 1.30pm - 3pm
Mon 26 th	New Reception Parents Induction Meeting 7pm
Mon 26 th	Uniform pop up shop for all at 3pm
Wed 28 th	New Nursery Parents Induction Meeting 7pm

July

Fri 7 th	Nursery Sports Day 10.45am (reserve date 14 th Jul)
Mon 10 th	School tour 9.30am for prospective parents
	Silent Film Festival for Reception parents
Thu 13 th	Transition Day / New Reception Stay & Play. Parents will collect children from their new classroom and informally meet their child’s new teacher
Fri 14 th	School reports to go home today
Sun 9 th	PiPs Summer Fete, 12 noon to 4pm
TBA	Reception Silent Film Festival
Fri 21 st	Last day of term

September

Wed 6th Sep

Back to school



Term Dates 2016 -2017

Summer Term 2017 (63 days)

First Half	Tuesday 18 th April – Friday 26 th May	28 days
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June</i>	
Second Half	Monday 5 th June – Friday 21 st July	35 days
<i>Inset Days</i>	<i>Tuesday 18th April & Monday 5th June</i>	<i>2 days</i>

NB

May bank holiday Monday 1st May

Spring bank holiday Monday 29th May

Inset Days are staff training days and children should not attend school.

School Day: 8.40am to 3.05pm Reception & 3.10pm other year groups

Gates Open: 8.30am, Gates Close 3.15pm

Term Dates 2017 -2018

Autumn Term 2017 (70 days)

First Half Wednesday 6th September – Friday 20th October

Half Term Holiday Monday 23rd October – Monday 30th October

Second Half Tuesday 31st October – Wednesday 20th December

School Holiday Thursday 21st December – Tuesday 2nd January

Spring Term 2018 (57 days)

First Half Wednesday 3rd January – Friday 9th February

Half Term Holiday Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Second Half Monday 19th February – Thursday 29th March

School Holiday Friday 30th March – Friday 13th April

Summer Term 2018 (63 days)

First Half Monday 16th April – Friday 25th May

Half Term Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June

Second Half Monday 4th June – Friday 20th July

NB *May bank holiday Monday 7th May*

Spring bank holiday Monday 28th May

Inset Days are staff training days and children should not attend school, these have already been included in the dates above.

Monday 4th September

Tuesday 5th September

Monday 30th October

Tuesday 2nd January

Monday 4th June

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