



MILLBROOK PARK
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

23rd November 2015

Dear Families,

This Thursday, 26th November 2015 marks the school's 1st birthday as well as the official opening of the school nursery. As opposed to the grand opening of the school last November, this will be a low key affair but nevertheless Matthew Offord MP will be visiting the school to unveil a commemorative plaque and the nursery children will be inviting children from reception and year 1 to join them for a 'birthday' tea.

From the large amount of prospective parents who now come on the school tours, and after seeing your children learning in class, leave asking if they have a chance of getting a place, I would say that Millbrook Park CE Primary School is firmly establishing itself as a school of choice after its first year. Our year 1 is now full, so a waiting list has been established and we have nursery place requests for the next 3 years. I would like to thank the whole staff team for their dedication to the pupil's welfare and academic progress and the parents for their continuing support of the school and their special talent for making new families feel welcome.

Yours Nicola Dudley - Head of School

Date Reminders:

Tuesday 24th November 3:05pm – Caterlink - Parent Food Tasting in the school hall.

Wednesday 25th November at 8:40am Phonics mtg for Reception parents (siblings welcome)

Thursday 26th November MBP's 1st Birthday & Nursery Opening.

December 14th 2pm Reception and Yr 1 Nativity (Mulled Wine served upstairs at 1:30pm).

December 15th 2pm Reception and Yr 1 Nativity (Mulled Wine served upstairs at 1:30pm).

Wednesday 16th December Nursery Nativity -Miss Dawson will inform parents further.

CLUBS

Last French Club Friday 27th Nov and last Drama club Thursday 26th Nov (this week).

New club Enjoy-a-Ball taster session for children - Friday 27th November in school hours.

Caterlink - Parent Food Tasting (reception and Year 1)

Caterlink are inviting parents to come and try some of the recipes their children eat. Please go straight into the school hall on Tuesday, when you pick your children up and sample the food.

Nativity Costumes

On **Tuesday 24th November** from 8:40am onwards, we will have a room set up at MBP where parents will be able to come in and make costumes together, light refreshments will be provided. Please come and join in if you are able to help. If you can't make that date or would rather make things at home at a more convenient time, we can give you a set of things on 24th to take home instead. Please let the office know if you would like to help. It should be a fun.



Donations - for costumes

If you can spare any of the following items please drop them into the office as soon as possible:

- Coat hangers – any style. Does not matter if old and scruffy.
- Cord or fabric to use as belts
- Fabric for costumes eg, striped cotton for shepherds (can be bed sheets)

Phonics Information Meeting for parents of children in Reception – Wed 25th Nov

8:40am (siblings welcome)

Miss Ward and Miss Khan will be running an information meeting for parents about the approach and methods used for teaching phonics.

School Dinners

It has come to the schools attention that some children have been turning up with packed lunches even though they are registered as having a free hot meal at lunchtime. Please be aware that whilst the hot lunches are free for the children the school actually orders the meals and pays the catering company for the food. So to clarify, if you wish to change your child's regular meal provision please do not do so without first informing the school office. Children must be either School Hot Lunch or Packed Lunch everyday.

If you are providing a packed lunch please ensure it is a healthy lunch, no nuts, fizzy or sugary drinks, chocolates or sweets please.

Friday Star Awards

Congratulations to Friday's winners and a special well done to Kyra and Eddie who accumulated 75 stars which earned them a medal.



Christmas Timetable of Events in December

| Date and time | Event and comments | Year group |
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| Weekend 5 th /6 th | Make a decoration for the school Christmas tree. | Nursery Reception Year 1 |
| Friday 11 th (pm) | Class parties Please can parents organise the food | Reception Year 1 |
| Friday 11 th 10:45am | Dress Rehearsal – Reception and Y1 as audience All nursery children attending in the morning | Nursery |
| Monday 14 th 1:30pm/2pm | Year 1 and Reception Nativity 2pm (first showing) Mulled wine and mince pies social 1pm | Reception Year 1 |
| Monday 14 th am and pm | Class party - Please can parents organise the food | Nursery |
| Tuesday 15 th 1:30pm/2pm | Year 1 and Reception Nativity 2pm (second showing) Mulled wine and mince pies social 1pm | Reception Year 1 |
| Wednesday 16 th | Nursery Nativity in drama hall Mrs Dawson to confirm timings with families. | Nursery |
| Wednesday 16 th | Christmas Lunch for children <i>Please send packed lunch in with something a bit special on this day.</i> | Reception Year 1 |
| Thursday 17 th | Visiting Theatre - Pantomime in school £2 donation towards cost | Nursery Reception Year 1 |
| Friday 18 th December Last day (school ends at 1pm) | Wear a Christmas jumper to school day Charity Fundraising £1 | Nursery Reception Year 1 |

