

Last Week's Attendance		Target	
RNK	98.3	100%	2 nd
RNW	98.3	100%	2 nd
1RT	100	100%	1st
1SM	98.3	100%	2 nd
2SG	97.3	100%	
2SP	97.6	100%	
Target	100%	100%	



MILLBROOK PARK
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

RESPECT

KINDNESS

COURAGE

RESILIENCE

Monday 10th October 2016

Dear Families,

It has been a memorable week, working with both children and families, as we familiarise ourselves with the new school values. The children have amazed us with their deep-thinking skills and ability to understand that being guided by values can help them as individuals and us as a community. One year two girl told me she thinks we should design a 'resilience tree' in the playground where children can go if they are feeling down or disappointed about something and it will remind them that 'downs' are part of life and you need to find a way to bounce back – how deep is that for a 6 year old!

We are looking forward to sharing the children's interpretations of what each value looks like, in practice, in the assembly on Tuesday. The plan now is to explore each of the values for a few weeks, one at a time so that we can look at them in more depth, the first one is going to be KINDESS which we will explore throughout October and November. This week, each child will bring home a 'Values at Home' sheet which you can look at together if you would like to. On the sheet you will find 'kindness-themed' stories to read and ideas of things to talk about as well as a 'Values Challenge' which your child might like to take part in. Finally, I would like to heartily thank everyone who has given time to help the children sew the fabulous values banners, your enthusiasm and creativity has led to something very special being made.

Nicola Dudley, Head of School

Date Reminders for October :

October

Tue 11th

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Thu 13th

Fri 14th

Mon 17th

Fri 21st

School Values Assembly – parents invited – 2.15pm

SOLD - Share Our Learning Day – after school 3pm

Reception Children - Height & Weight Check

PIPs coffee morning – 8.45am

Parent prayer meeting – after drop off

3pm lunch menu taster session for parents of

Reception children and new parents (+ interested Y1 and Y2 parents)

A little peak at our activity clubs

Enrichment clubs are a great way of children finding out what they like doing and possibly where their talents lie whilst enjoying themselves. Even though it was only the first session last week, both clubs I saw were already going strong.

Thank you to Gill Finney and Sandra Upali for all of the work which goes into setting up the clubs. Before any club starts, the office staff: research them, organise the safeguarding requirements, set-up a taster session for children, deal with the paperwork and make sure teachers are on duty for releasing the clubs at the end.



Pips coffee morning - Friday the 14th October 8:45am

PiPs - Parents in Partnership with School

The school's Parent Association, which is called PiPs would like to invite all parents to a coffee morning, straight after drop-off on Friday. Pop in, if you can even if you only have 5 minutes to spare to find out what they do.

Parent Prayer Meeting

The first Christian prayer meeting of this academic year will be on Monday the 17th of October, after drop off. These are very informal gatherings which all are welcome to. If you can't make it or would prefer to request a prayer – please write your prayer request on a note and put it in the gold box which is on the window-ledge in the school entrance area.

Local Children's Author Visit to Reception

We are delighted that local Children's Book Author, Louise Lederman will be coming into school this Thursday 13th October to do a reading of Jungle Jam to reception children. It promises to be a fun musical themed activity for the children. If you are interested in buying Jungle Jam Louise is offering copies at a discounted price for Millbrook Park Primary School families at £5. Payment to be made in cash, in an envelope, direct to the author.

Alternatively Jungle Jam can be bought on amazon -

<http://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/1910762067>

To see a sample of Jungle Jam click the link to follow:

<http://www.book2look.com/book/8AGVvYbzeK>

Admissions for entry into school in September 2017

If your child is in Nursery or as a younger sibling and they were born between **1 September 2012** and **31 August 2013** you will need to apply to your home council for a place in a primary school for the 2017/2018 academic year. you should submit your application online using the [eAdmissions](#) website

- the online application process opened on **1 September 2016**
- you must apply by 15th January 2017
- online results will be available in the evening of **18 April 2017**
- applications submitted after **15 January 2017** will be treated as 'late' and will be processed from **May 2017** onwards
- you must not apply using this process if your child has **special educational needs** (SEN), with an **Education Health Care Plan (EHCP)**.

Important: Please do not forget to apply for a place.

Silent Film Orders

Film in Education who are making the silent films that parents have ordered have advised that they will be ready by 14th October at the latest. Thank you for your patience.

Award Winners



November

Tue 1st

Mon 14th

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Wed 23rd

Individual school photographs

Anti bullying week

Flu immunisations Year 1 & Year 2

Healthy Eating Assembly – Children only

December

Mon 12th

Tue 13th

Fri 16th

Mon 19th

Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity – 2pm – parents invited

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Christmas Parties – parent helpers

Cinderella Pantomime at school – children only

Term Dates 2016 -2017

Autumn Term 2016 (75 days)

First Half	Thursday 1 st September – Friday 21 st October	37 days
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October</i>	
Second Half	Monday 31 st October – Wednesday 21 st December	38 days
<i>Inset Days</i>	<i>Thursday 1st September & Friday 2nd September</i>	<i>2 days</i>

Spring Term 2017 (57 days)

First Half	Thursday 5 th January – Friday 10 th February	27 days
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February</i>	
Second Half	Monday 20 th February – Friday 31 st March	30 days
<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Monday 20th February</i>	<i>1 days</i>

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