



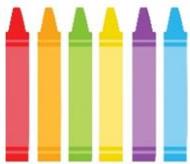
Milford News

Wednesday 17th November 2021

Head Teacher updates...

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We are moving swiftly through the Autumn term and before we know it we will soon be into the busy final few weeks before we break up for the Christmas holidays. Our wonderful pupils continue to work hard every day in school and we continue to ensure we offer the very best experiences and opportunities to them all. We have recently had a few brilliant examples of this in school...

Last week we were very lucky to have an **Olympic athlete, Sam Oldham**, in school – Sam won a bronze medal in gymnastics at the London 2012 games and the children loved working with and listening to Sam.



We also had a special day last week where we all focused on **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)** and came into school dressed as rock stars – the children all had a great day and we hope now that all of them will continue to use TTRS to help them improve their times table knowledge!



During a recent '**sustainability day**', Year 3 pupils had a willow weaving workshop with artist Christine Burdin. During the workshop, the children learned lots about weaving, how willow is farmed and how it is a sustainable material. They then worked to create a stunning sculpture which is now displayed on the school site.



Aim high, achieve!



Have you seen
our website?

www.milfordacademy.org.uk

Children in Need

– Friday 19th
November

Wear spots or
pyjamas.

Don't forget your
pennies for Pudsey.



Our Year 5 children have recently been taking part in the 'Great Project' where they have been learning about healthy and unhealthy relationships – this forms a crucial part of our PSHE curriculum in school and the children have learned a lot from the sessions. A group of our Year 5 pupils have also been trained to be Sports Leaders and will work with younger children to help them become more active.

On **Thursday 18th November** we are giving children the opportunity to wear odd socks to school as part of our work around anti-bullying week.

We also welcome many of you into school this week for our Autumn term **parents' evenings** – for most classes these are running on Tuesday – Thursday this week. We will ask you to complete a parental questionnaire during your visit as we always welcome your feedback to help us keep improving. We hope you find the meetings useful in supporting your child with their learning and next steps!

An area we are all very passionate about as a staff team here at Milford is **tackling discrimination** in every form. We will be considering what we can do to further enhance the work we do in school linked to this before Christmas and I will share more information about this before the end of term – We want to do all that we can to ensure that Milford is free of all discrimination.

Reminders

- Please ensure you phone / report your child's first day of absence for any reason.
- Please be mindful of parking outside and near to the school gates – we have had several issues reported on Dungannon Road of cars blocking the road recently.
- EYFs / Key Stage 1 packed lunches – We now allow packed lunches throughout school but please do be mindful of not including any products that include nuts.
- Please ensure children are collected promptly at the end of the school day – we have had a growing number of children having to wait for a period of time by the main office.

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After school sports clubs:

Monday –
Girls and Boys Football

Tuesday -
16th and 23rd Sports
Hall Athletics training
to prepare for
competition

Wednesday –
Year 4 Multisport

Thursday -
Year 5 and 6 Athletics

Friday -
Racket Sports Club

NOTE: the final week
for clubs is the week
commencing 6th
December. There will
be no afterschool
sports clubs on the
final week of term.
New sports clubs will
start on the second
week of back in
January.

Please speak to a
member of staff if you
require more
information about
sports clubs.

Christmas Updates

We are currently planning to carry out a number of Christmas performances from different year groups and we are also planning to allow parents / carers to watch these in school – we will restrict this to two adults per pupil for one performance. The performances are as follows:

Tickets will be available from the office next week.

Years 3-5 Sing-a-longs

Tuesday 7th December @ 9:30 & 1:30

Wednesday 8th @ 1:30

Key Stage 1 Nativity

Wednesday 8th @ 10:00 Thursday 9th @ 2:00
and Friday 10th @ 2:00

Early Years Foundation Stage

Monday 13th @ 10:00 & 2:00

Tuesday 14th @ 10:00 & 2:00



We also explored the opportunity to take pupils to a panto off site but were not able to make a booking. Instead we have managed to book an online panto for the children to watch in school and also have some theatre productions coming into school to perform for the pupils as follows:

Monday 22nd November – Cinderella pantomime from Year 1-6!

Friday 3rd December – ‘Dazzling Darren’s Christmas Magic Show’ for all MESU / EYFS pupils!

Further details and information about other Christmas related events and activities will be sent out as they are confirmed.

Christmas dinner will be served on Wednesday 15th December.

