



Welcome to The Milford Academy

Thursday 28th September

Meet The Current Team



Mrs Smith
EYFS Lead



Miss Wilcox
Whales Class
Teacher



Mrs Litchfield
Penguins Class
Teacher



Mrs Barton
Penguins
Teaching
Assistant

Miss Madden
Whales
Teaching
Assistant

A day in the life of reception!

- Register
- Story session
- Outdoor play
- Free flow – Classrooms and conservatory
- Phonics
- Lunchtime
- Register
- Maths
- Free flow – Classrooms and garden
- Home time

School Uniform

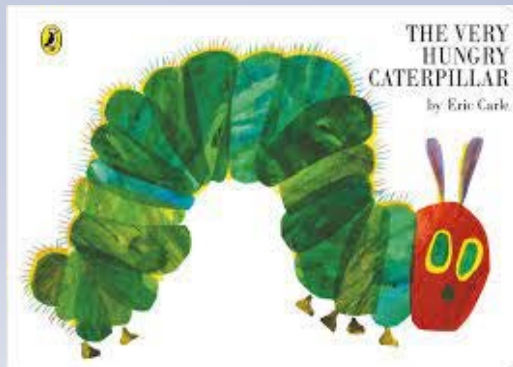
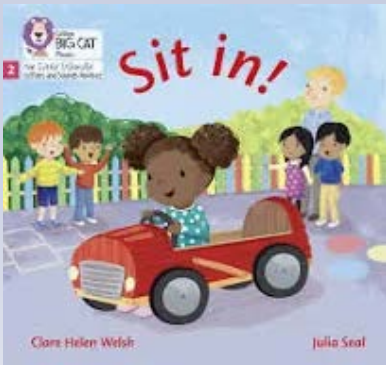
- Children should wear school uniform each day. Our school uniform consists of grey trousers/skirt, white polo shirt and a navy blue sweatshirt/cardigan.
- Children can wear plain uniform available from High Street shops. Alternatively, you can buy The Milford Academy uniform online at www.just-schoolwear.co.uk
- PE kits – Needed after Christmas for the Spring term.
- Wellies!
- Spare Clothes
- Bookbags
- Jewellery



Phonics and Reading



- We follow a Phonics scheme called 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds.'
- Reading books get sent home once the children are blending independently. These books are to be read by your child to an adult at home.
- Library books – children choose their weekly library books. They are for you to read with your child.
- Reading diaries – please fill in the reading diaries every time you share a story together. If the children read consistently 4 times or more, they earn a reward at the end of the half term.



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**A love of reading is the biggest indicator
of future academic success.**

OECD (The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)

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Collins Big Cat Ebooks

- After October half term children will be allocated a book online, this will either be a wordless book or an early reader.
- Once children have been allocated an early reader book they will also get a physical book to take home.
- Please use reading diaries to record all reading sessions including ebooks.

Communication

- Website - www.milfordacademy.org.uk
- Newsletters
- Class Dojo – Address to class teacher
- Parents meetings
- Stay & Play sessions



Attendance, Punctuality & Collection Arrangements



- Start of the day – 8.45-9am (Doors close at 9am)
- Collection time – 3.10pm
- It becomes a legal requirement for children to attend school during the Reception year, depending on the child's age.
- The expectation at Milford is that children attend at least 97% of the year and arrive on time.
- Attendance is monitored daily and parents are expected to phone the school on the first day of absence, giving reasons for absence in writing on the child's return to school.
- The hall/corridor doors are open from 8.45am to 9.00am.
- Since September 2013, Headteachers no longer have the right to authorise holidays during term time. You will find more information regarding exceptional circumstances and penalties for unauthorised absence in the Attendance Policy
- Collection and safeguarding sheets



School Dinners



- Food prepared by The Milford Academy catering team is contracted to Relish School Food and the menu meets the new food-based standards for school lunches.
- The menus follow a 3 week cycle and change every term. Sample menus can be found on the school website.
- Under the Government initiative of Universal Infant Free School Meals, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 at The Milford Academy are entitled to a free hot dinner at school. You may also bring in a packed lunch.
- Snacks - Free Fruit and Vegetable Scheme / Carbohydrate snack
- Drinks



Cashless School



- Please be advised that our school is running a cashless system for all payments.
- All parents and carers must pay for their children's dinners, school milk, various school trips (depending the amount), breakfast club bookings, afterschool club bookings etc. by on line transactions using the School Gateway website.
- Download the free app - School Gateway
- Visit the website - www.schoolgateway.com
- If you have any queries regarding this system, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the office staff. Phone 0115 9152951 or email admin@milford.nottingham.sch.uk

Schoolgateway

Clubs



- For children age 5 and above
- Breakfast Club starting from 8.00am
- MOOSE Club finishing at 5.45pm are available.
- If you would like to apply for a place before and/or after school please contact us by replying to this email, or by contacting the school office on admin@milford.nottingham.sch.uk
- After school sports club – Summer term

Holiday dates



HOLIDAY DATES 2023 - 2024

	HOLIDAY	LAST DAY AT SCHOOL FOR PUPILS		SCHOOL RE-OPEN FOR PUPILS	
2023	SUMMER	Friday	28 July	Monday	4 September
	Autumn Mid-Term	Friday	20 October	Monday	6 November
2023/24	CHRISTMAS	Wednesday	20 December	Thursday	4 January
2024	Spring Mid-Term	Friday	9 February	Monday	19 February
	EASTER	Thursday	28 March	Monday	15 April
	May Day (Monday, 6 May)				
	Summer Mid-Term	Friday	24 May	Monday	3 June
	SUMMER 2024	Friday	26 July		

INSET DAYS: Thursday 31 August
Friday 1 September

3 Days to follow

ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Finally!

- Water bottles should be sent in on Mondays and returned home on Fridays, they are washed every morning and re filled.
- Please send reading diaries, communication wallets and books into school everyday.
- All clothing labelled!
- If your child has packed lunch, please refer to the schools lunchbox policy.