



Dear Parents,

Half term is here! The children and staff have worked incredibly hard over this half term with school visits starting to happen, class assemblies, Music Workshops and some great learning taking place across the school. The staff have been reviewing how we involve and share learning with the children at Milford and after half term we will be introducing 'OLI the Owl' to the children in every lesson (Our Learning Is). School Council have been involved in choosing the design and I will be kicking off with an assembly to introduce OLI to the children on Tuesday 5th June. We will share with parents soon! We have set most of our INSET days for the next academic year, with one still to be agreed. Uniform ordering has been moved out of our admin office to 'DirectSchoolWear', which will bring the new logo to PE kit, book bags and PE bags. Pricing is almost identical to current costs but uniform will be sent directly to your homes, saving time and admin money. I would like to thank the parents that have provided really valuable, positive and constructive feedback through parent forums, emails and conversations. I will put some information out on the website after the hols with suggestions made by parents and proposed actions. I hope you all have a fantastic break and have some much needed family time. Thank you to the parents that completed my survey on School Report formats. The proposed 'new format' was the most popular, with 70% of the votes. Staff have asked that I wait to change the reports until next year as many have begun putting together information already. In Autumn term next academic year, I will consult with you again about report formats and will put them in place and look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Kind regards,

Mr Stear and all at Milford School

DIARY DATES

Mon 28.05.18 - Fri 01.06.18 **Summer Half-term**

Mon 04.06.18 **Inset Day-school closed for staff training**

Thurs 07.06.18 Milford Marathon (sponsored event) YR and Y1
Rodborough Football Festival Y2

Fri 08.06.18 Year 1 to Squires follow-up (optional choice)
Milford Marathon (sponsored event) Y2

Sat 09.06.18 Milford Village Fete (Y1 Country Dancing)

Wed 13.06.18 Sports Day (details to follow)

Fri 15.06.18 Willow Class Assembly 9.15-9.45am

Fri 15.06.08 Year 1 to the Brighton Aquarium

Mon 18.06.18 New Entrants Meeting for Parents 7.00pm

Wed 20.06.18 Reserve Sports Day

Fri 22.06.18 Lime Class Assembly 9.15-9.45am

Sat 23.06.18 Great Godalming Duck Race

Tues 26.06.18 New Entrants 'Stay for a Story' 3.30pm

Wed 27.06.18 Year 2 to Wisley Gardens

Thurs 28.06.18 New Entrants 'Stay for a Story' 3.30pm

Fri 29.06.18 Elm Class Assembly 9.15-9.45am

Wed 04.07.18 Year 2 and Whole School Bump-Up Day

Fri 06.07.18 ACE Day Chandler (Y2 children going to The Chandler)

Tues 10.07.18 Willow Class to Tuesley Farm

Tues 10.07.18 Celebration Day - meet new teachers
(2.55pm-4.25pm)

Thurs 12.07.18 Oak Class to Tuesley Farm

Fri 13.07.18 Summer Fair 3.15pm

Fri 13.07.18 Y2 Leavers Assembly 9.15-9.45am (Parents welcome)

Tues 17.07.18 Y2 Leavers Party 3.15-4.45pm

Fri 20.07.18 Last day of term school closes 1pm

Mon 23.07.18 **Inset Day**

Tues 04.09.18 **Inset Day**

Mon 29.10.18 **Inset Day**

Uniform Ordering - DirectSchoolwear

We are changing our school uniform purchasing over to DirectSchoolwear who are an on-line company with competitive prices. The uniform manufacturer is the same. You will be able to order uniform and get it delivered directly to your home. The company will supply sweatshirts, cardigans, white polo shirts (plain), PE t-shirts, tracksuit bottoms, shorts, book bags and PE Bags. The price list and information on how to order is attached to the e-mail. We still have water bottles (£1.50), spare water bottle lids (50p) and old logo PE t-shirts (£2.00) on sale at the school until our stock runs out.

Milford Rocks

The final phase of the pond is underway and we'd like to landscape the plant borders with some creativity. The Friends have suggested we ask each child to paint a pebble. We will timetable this activity into our school week after half term but we need some pebbles. Ideally they need to be quite large so that the children can easily paint a flower or insect or something connected with our wildlife area. We will then varnish them to protect the design. If you have any large pebbles that you could donate then please drop them off in the box by the office. Thank you in advance.

Star of the Week w/e 11th May, 2018

Willow:

Jo: Always being a brilliant role model and challenging himself and being a good friend to everyone in Oak

Chloe: Always being a brilliant role model and Challenging herself and being a good friend to everyone in Oak

Oak:

Beau: For listening carefully and taking time and care to produce a fantastic animal pattern

Alex: For being a keen learner and a super role model to her peers

Cherry:

Alex P: The most brilliant letter formation and handwriting

Daisy: Working independently and persevering in her learning to make improvements

Beech:

Oceanna: working really hard to recognise different coins and add amounts

Maggie: Working really hard on reading at home and making sure she reads everyday

Lime:

Ellie-May: Fantastic writing all week

Max: Challenging herself in English

Elm:

Elliott: An amazing improvement in his handwriting

Lexi: An amazing improvement in her handwriting



Waverley Environmental Health Kitchen Inspection

Our school kitchen was inspected on 15th May and we were very pleased to receive a 5 star hygiene rating. We would like to thank Fiona, our kitchen manager, and her dedicated team for all their hard work.

Violin - Loan

We have kindly been donated a violin by a parent. If any of the children would like to borrow it for lessons please come to the School Office.

Star of the Week w/e 18th May, 2018

Willow:

Megan: Being a fabulous role model and always trying to improve her work

Florence: Being a caring, empathetic role model and always making good choices and trying her best.

Oak:

Jack P: Amazing progress in phonics and applying digraphs in his writing

Lexi: A fantastic attitude to learning and being an excellent role model

Cherry:

Harry M: Trying hard to explain his thinking in Maths and 'having a go'

Dexter: Excellent progress in reading

Beech:

Eloise: For being helpful to everyone in the class

Joey: For his amazing handwriting

Lime:

Jack: Super writing and a great friend

Charlie: Super writing and a great friend

Elm:

Yanisia: Enthusiasm for all learning

James: Commitment to improving his times tables



Come and learn KARATE

at Milford School



STARTING FROM FRIDAY 8th JUNE for 6 weeks.

On Fridays 3.15-4.15pm at Milford School Main Hall

Cost for 6 weeks £30. Club details & application forms are in our reception area.

www.heiwakarate.co.uk Sensei Julie 2nd Dan Black Belt Instructor (aka Mrs Mayes).

Year 2

It has been a busy couple of weeks for Year 2 children across the country. Here at Milford we have been extremely proud of our children's effort, application and focus, but in particular with their positive attitude. Well done Lime and Elm! We have also been really lucky to be able to take our learning outside and make the most of the beautiful spring weather in our school grounds.



Update from the Friends

Only one half term left of the school year! With lots of things planned for next half term, the Friends would be grateful for your help with the following:

- Keys: if you have any unused unwanted keys lying around at home and you have no idea what door they open, we'd love to use them for a game at the Milford Village Fete on 9 June!
- Crockery: similarly if you have any old mismatched chipped crockery that you no longer use (cups, plates, anything breakable!), we're thinking of doing a plate smash game at the Summer Fair and need things to smash!
- Jolly Jam Jars: again these are for the Milford Village Fete so please return them (empty or full) before Friday 8 June
- Prizes: with lots of fairs coming up, we need lots of prizes, and so if anyone has any unwanted party bag fillers, plastic toys, stickers, pencils, small toys etc. (preloved is fine) that we could use as prizes (basically bits too big to fit in jam jars!), we'll gladly take them off your hands!
- Cakes: we're running the tea tent at Milford Farmers' Market on Sunday 17 June – we'll need cakes, helpers and customers!
- Loose change: we're planning a coin trail after half term (details to follow), so please save any spare pennies for us!
- Godalming Duck Race: please return the slip if you'd like tickets by Friday 8 June
- Grand pond opening: we'll be having a little ceremony to formally open the amazing new pond area on Friday 22 June after school, please join us to say thank you to the parents who have put in so much hard work to make it much more useable for the children!
- Ground Force Day: we need parent volunteers to help tidy up the sensory garden in the field on Sunday 24 June (children welcome) – this will make more of the field accessible for the children at play times!

As ever, the Friends are extremely grateful for your continued support! If you can help with any of the above or need more details, please speak to Kelly or email us on milfordschoolfriends@gmail.com – thank you!

Year 1 Music Workshop at St Hilary's

Year 1 went to St Hilary's School. We did lots of fun things like P.E, playing games and singing. My lunch was a lovely ham sandwich. Our parents came to watch us perform our songs about minibeasts, it was very exciting. My favourite part was making a new friend called Ava.

Ben Bolton, Beech Class



Photo Collection Date - Tuesday 5th June

You should have received a copy of your child's class photo during the week. If you would like to order a copy can you please fill in the order form and return to the school office by Tuesday 5th June at 12 noon.

Inset Days

Please note the inset days for the next academic year will be Tuesday 4th September, Monday 29th October, Monday 25th February and Wednesday 24th July. We have one remaining inset day which will be confirmed at a later date.