



Dear Parents,

Many thanks for the amazing amount of sponsorship raised for the Milford Marathon. Mrs Szczepanski has busied herself with boosting our curriculum resources for her 'Topic Boxes' already. It has been a glorious week with the weather, which has meant a few adjustments to how we do things. PE has been split to be half inside and half outside, windows open in all classrooms, fans available for all classes and plenty of water has been consumed. Everyone has been coping really well and excellent learning has continued across the school. The teachers have now finished the end of year reports and I am adding my comments. It really has been exciting to hear about all of the progress the children have made. The teachers have given careful consideration to 'what next?' for your child and provided some 'next steps' for each individual. These are a really good guide for you as parents - please do have a good look when you receive your report. During our Celebration Afternoon you will have a chance to see your child's current and new teacher (which is revealed today!) - there is no obligation to attend but you can see your child's learning outcomes in their tasks!

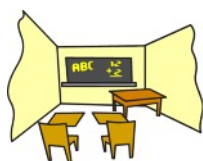
Have great weekend and thanks for all of your support!

## DIARY DATES

Wed	04.07.18	Year 2 and Whole School Bump-Up Day New Entrants 'Stay and Play' 2.00-3.00pm
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
Mon	25.02.19	Inset Day
Wed	24.07.19	Inset Day
Tues	04.09.18	Inset Day
Wed	05.09.18	School resumes at 8.55am for Y1 and Y2

## End of Year Reports/Celebration/Meet New Teacher



Parents will receive their child's end of year report by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July. This will provide details of each child's progress throughout the past year. Parents are warmly invited to our Celebration Evening between 2.55-4.25pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July (no need to book), when the children will be able to share their learning with their parents. We look forward to seeing you all there. Children may also visit their new classes and teachers.

## End of Term—Beginning of next term

This term ends at **1.00p.m.** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July. We re-open for Year 1 and Year 2 children on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September. New Entrants to Year R will be starting on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September, and their parents have received a letter informing them of the arrangements.

## New Classes and Classteachers 2018 - 2019

Current Class 2017/2018	New Class 2018/2019	Class Teacher
N/A	Willow	Mrs Heslop
N/A	Oak	Mrs Wells (Mon, Tues, Weds) & Mrs Bruce (Thurs, Fri)
Willow	Cherry	Mrs Szczepanski
Oak	Beech	Mrs Ward
Beech	Elm	Miss Jones
Cherry	Lime	Mrs Hearsum

## Milford Marathon - £1,556.10!

We have raised the fantastic amount of £1,556.10 so far for the Milford Marathon. Thank you all so much for supporting the school by raising this money. Please send in any outstanding money you may have into school a.s.a.p.

### Star of the Week w/e 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2018

#### Willow:

Bradley: Saying his line clearly in our assembly practice and for super sentence writing

Jack: Remembering his lines really well and saying his lines confidently

#### Oak:

James: A brilliant effort to apply his learning in all areas of the classroom

Jacob: Always trying super hard to write amazing sentences

#### Cherry:

Hugo: Extra effort in phonics learning

Harry D: Amazing enthusiasm for learning

#### Beech:

Summer: For fantastic explanations of weighing objects in Maths

Leon: fantastic question writing in English

#### Lime:

Hugh: Super progress in handwriting

Isabelle: For slowing down and getting on with her work

#### Elm:

Yanisia: Huge progress in spoken English

Vivienne: Being an amazing learning partner



### Year 1 Phonics Assessment

As part of our on-going teacher assessment and in line with statutory government legislation Year 1 children have been taking part in a phonics assessment with their class teachers. The results of this assessment will be reported back to parents as part of their end of year report.



### School and Library Books

Please can all library books be returned a.s.a.p.—(there won't be any more given out before the end of this term). Reading books need to be returned by **Wednesday 10th July** at the latest. Please could you search at home for any books which might have been forgotten or mislaid. We are always pleased when books are found and returned, regardless of how long they have been missing.

### Star of the Week w/e 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018

#### Willow:

Eli: For being bolder coming in and bolder on her amazing independent writing including conjunctions and adjectives

Lily: For independently exploring Purple Mash at home with her new Reception log-in

#### Oak:

Patrick: Playing collaboratively with his friends and showing teamwork

Sam: Using his imagination and working as a team to retell the Enormous Turnip story

#### Cherry:

Arthur: Super writing of character descriptions in the Storm Whale book

Chloe: Great effort learning positional language in Maths

#### Beech:

Leia-Rose: For being consistent in all her learning

George: Amazing writing

#### Lime:

Oliver: For being an efficient, organised and effective School Council representative

Max: For being an efficient, organised and effective School Council representative

#### Elm:

Hugo: Amazing handwriting

Camilla: Working out 2 x tables



### You Yukes - Thank You

We would like to say a big thank you to 'You Yukes' for coming into school on Tuesday to play the ukuleles and perform for the children

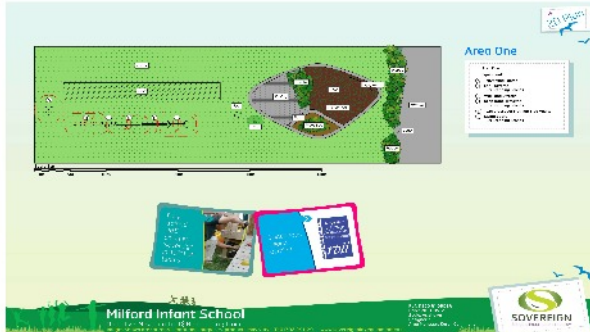




### **New trim trail**

We are delighted to confirm that we will be extending the current trim trail on the field to incorporate even more climbing and play opportunities, including a log traverse, stepping stones and traversing forest. This work is being funded using our Sports Premium government funding. We are awaiting an installation date for this work and will update parents in due course.

We are hopeful in the longer term that we will redevelop the sensory garden and enable this and the trim trail to be used all year round. We hope to organise another Ground Force day in the future to incorporate some of this work!



### **Opening of the refurbished Pond Area**

The school is fortunate enough to have a pond area tucked behind the Reception outdoor play area; however the area had become a bit overgrown in recent years and was in need of a makeover. The Friends decided to allocate some of their funds towards making the area safer and more usable by the children all year round, and over the past few months this has been achieved with lots of hard work by some amazing parent volunteers. Last Friday saw the pond opening ceremony, giving parents and children the opportunity to see what a difference has been made. The children's fantastic painted pondlife-themed pebbles were on colourful display and Mia Smith from Cherry Class cut the ribbon to declare the pond officially open!

The Friends would like to give a heartfelt thanks to Gary Smith - the vision, drive and enthusiasm (and hours of hard work) he brought to the project and his management of it all meant the end result was far beyond what had originally been envisaged. A cake (baked by the talented Mrs Stuart) was presented to Gary at the ceremony to say thank you.

The Friends would also like to thank everyone else who helped revamp the area, including the many parent helpers who gave up their weekends and a team from Tuesley Farm (Tuesley Farm also kindly gave the school a grant to help fund the refurbishment). Thanks are also given to Squires Garden Centre for donating a gardening voucher and to the Meath/Changing Perceptions for making some bird boxes. A real community effort!





### Learning in Oak Class

Oak Class are having a simply delicious time learning through our topic 'Food Glorious Food!' this term. We started the term learning about tropical fruits and living in a different country through 'Handa's Surprise'. The children were able to look at similarities and differences between living in Milford and living in a village in Africa. They were also able to identify some animals they might find on the African Savannah and certainly not in the fields of Milford!



A highlight has to be the wonderful still-life sketches and paintings that the children have produced just by looking closely at the fruits and then at the end of the week they were able to taste the fruits. Together as a team we made a tally chart to show which fruit they liked best. Why don't you ask them which one was their favourite?



This week we have been using The Enormous Turnip story to help us develop our story writing. All the acting and retelling of the story have really helped us remember the structure, repeated phrases and lots of story language.



Now we're looking forward to our trip to Tuesley Strawberry Farm in a couple of weeks, a very special treat to finish what has been a wonderful year in Oak Class.