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# Milford News



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Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve

#### Dear Parents,

I am writing to you following an amazing Leavers Performance by Year 2 this morning. The singing, dancing, acting and delivery of lines was brilliant and showed just how far this year group has come since September. I am incredibly proud of them and feel thankful to have such a great team of staff who worked tirelessly to pull it off. I hope you all found the 'Celebration Afternoon' a useful event and a chance to see all of your child's learning. If for any reason you didn't manage to attend (ie you were working) and would like to see your child's learning - please do get in touch and we will try to arrange something for you. Over the holidays there is lots of work planned across the school and I look forward to keeping tabs on how it progresses. It will be good to see the children's faces when they return to brand new toilets and play equipment. Finally I feel it is important to reflect on the year we have had which has involved much change.... Miss Morgan leaving, Mrs Hendry and Mrs Ward volunteering to go full-time, new Learning Support Assistants, more after school clubs, new children joining, children leaving. It has been hectic but I feel very successful thanks to the fantastic team of staff, parents and children at Milford School. You are all helping to strengthen our vision for everyone to 'Grow, Learn, Believe and Achieve' and I'm excited to see what the next academic year brings.

We bid a fond farewell to Mrs Hendry this term. Mrs Hendry has been with Milford School for a few years, stepping in to help the school a few years ago and then not leaving since! She has been a real asset with her humour, manner with the children and her dealings with parents and we will miss her greatly. I will always be grateful to Mrs Hendry for stepping up and volunteering to take Elm Class when Miss Morgan took her first Headship and I think since April she has done a fantastic job - something that was echoed by parents I have spoken to through Parent Forum and in passing. She will be following Miss Morgan to North Farnborough, which Mrs Hendry tells me is only 6 minutes from her home and will enable her to continue with a full-time role, something which sadly wasn't available here at Milford. We wish her the best of luck and hope that one day she may consider coming back to us! Thank you Mrs Hendry and good luck! Mrs Lisa Ward is also leaving us this term. Lisa joined us in April 2018 and is moving on to Busbridge Infant School. We thank her for her efforts this term and wish her the best of luck in her new role.

Have an amazing break from school Reception and Year 1 and I wish our Year 2 Leavers the very best in their new schools - I have no doubt they will go on to do great things.

# Andrew Stear Headteacher

DIARY	DATES		Tues	16.10.18	M&M Productions 'The Wizard of Oz'
Tues	17.07.18	Y2 Leavers Party 3.15-4.45pm	Wed	17.10.18	Parents Evening 2 (3.45-6.15pm)
Fri	20.07.18	Last day of term school closes 1pm	Thurs	18.10.18	Harvest Gifts to School
Mon	23.07.18	Inset Day	Fri	19.10.18	Harvest Assembly 9am
Tues	04.09.18	Inset Day			Elm/Lime to Dower House and Clockhouse
Wed	05.09.18	School resumes at 8.55am for Y1 and Y2			Cake Sale 3.15pm
Tues	11.09.18	Y2 Pirate Day (details to follow)	Mon	22.10.18 -	Friday 26.10.18 Half-term
Mon	01.10.18	Whole School Flu nasal immunisation	Mon	29.10.18	Inset Day
Tues	02.10.18	Photographer (Individual)	Fri	09.11.18	Y2 Remembrance Assembly (Parents welcome)
Mon	08.10.18 F	Friday -12.10.18 Maths Week	Mon	25.02.19	Inset Day
Fri	12.10.18	Grandparents Morning	Wed	24.07.19	Inset Day
Mon	15.10.18	Parents Evening 1 (4.30 - 7.30pm)			

# 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 10th September, and their parents have received a letter informing them of the arrangements.

## Innovate - School Meals Autumn Term

School meal ordering for the Autumn term will be available from Wednesday  $1^{\rm st}$  August via the Innovate website. Please ensure that you have ordered your child's meals by mid-night on Saturday  $2^{\rm nd}$  September so that your child will receive a meal.

# Star of the Week w/e 29th June, 2018

#### Willow:

Scarlett: For working hard on next steps in writing Zak: For working hard on next steps in writing

#### Oak:

Alex: Amazing effort with his writing this week Stanley: Always demonstrating our school values and being a good role model and kind friend

#### Cherru:

Layla: Caring for the environment. Layla went litter-picking with her family after school Olivia: Always trying hard working in a group showing our value of teamwork

#### Beech:

Edith, Freya and Lucy: Looking after our school environment.

#### Lime:

Ellie-May: Being a kind, considerate friend and

showing super teamwork

Charlie: Fantastic explanations in Maths

# Elm:

Harry: Thinking of excellent questions

Amelia: Being more confident



#### Trimtrail

A new trimtrail will be installed during the school holidays and will be ready for use for the new academic year.



# 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 6th July, 2018

### Willow:

Harrison and Isla: For being caring, thoughtful and

kind to their friends and adults

Jasmine: For super home learning using Purple Mash

# Oak:

Rory, Ella and Jack P: Being really focused and challenging themselves with their learning

Joel B: Super-star listening and contributing

# Cherry:

Chloe: Writing a fabulous seaside acrostic poem Harlow: Displaying so many of our school values

#### Beech:

Fletcher: Excellent behaviour in class and around the school.

Ella: Wonderful work on her times tables

No Star of the Week for Elm and Lime as they were on their school trip. Apologies, but due to a technical hitch we don't have a photo.

# Cricket - Hambledon

On Monday 9th July, Ingram, the Head Coach of



Hambledon
Cricket Club
came to Milford
School to run
some taster sessions with Year 1
and 2. These
were well received, with the

children doing particularly well with their throwing and catching - some potential cricket stars were born! Hambledon are keen on getting more girls involved in cricket, so if your child enjoyed the session, maybe get involved (either in the Summer Camp or just by getting in touch with them and going along to a normal session).

The camp details are as follows: Hambledon Cricket Club from Monday  $23^{rd}$  July to Thursday  $26^{th}$  July, from 10am to 1pm.

This is for children from 6 to 13 years. and the cost is: 1 day - £30, 2 days - £50, 3 days - £60, 4 days - £80 If you would like to attend please e-mail tristem@btinternet.com for a booking form. If we have some keen girls, there may also be opportunities to play a few matches, which would be a great experience

# Swimming - Elm and Lime Autumn Term 2018

Swimming lessons for Elm/Lime classes will take place in the Autumn term. Please take the opportunity to take your children to a swimming pool over the summer holidays to prepare them for the lessons. Further information and payment details will follow w/b 3<sup>rd</sup> September.



ShoeShare collection

We will be hosting a Shoe-Share collection in partnership with Unicef and Clarks on Friday 20th July (the last day of term). Unicef and Clarks have worked in partnership since 2008 to help keep children safe. In that time, Clarks have contributed to transforming children's lives through Shoe-

Share, gathering old or unwanted shoes at collection points in more than 500 Clarks stores across the UK. To date, the partnership has raised an incredible £1 million. To support children across the world and help them access their right to education, we will be hosting a ShoeShare collection. All you need to do is gather your old and unwanted shoes – whether this is school shoes that have just about lasted till the end of term, or old plimsolls, or the rest of the family's unworn and unloved shoes – from around the house, and bring them into school with your child on Friday 20th July. We will then deliver all of the shoes we have collected to our nearest Clarks store. The more shoes you bring in, the more money we can raise for Unicef, helping children around the world to be able to access education.

A few things to remember:

- Please make sure that the shoes are in relatively good condition, so no holes or broken soles!
- Please pair your shoes with a rubber band to make it easier to sort and pack shoes
- For every tonne of shoes collected, a donation is made to Unicef which goes towards education programmes around the world.

To find out more about the partnership, please go to: www.unicef.uk/shoeshare



# Golden Boot Challenge

The class with the most improved average 'green' change score was...... Beech. The children will have received their Golden Boot badge yesterday. Well done Beech Class and for all classes that showed

an increase in the numbers of children travelling to school in an environmentally friendly way during the challenge. With parking becoming an increasing challenge at times, 'park and stride' can make the trip to school a little more enjoyable and healthy for all of us and is definitely something to consider if you can.

# **Tuesley Farm**











We have had an amazing group of School Councillors this year. This term they have made lots of important decisions for the school.

This is a report from Sam, School Councillor for Oak Class.

"School council meetings are very important. We have to meet Mrs Ward at the office at 2.30pm on a Monday with our special book. We had to talk a lot about choosing the right Oli the Owl. I liked the one we choose as he looked fluffy and smart. We did a class vote on transfers for the toilets, I really like doing class votes so everyone has a say. We have bought worry monsters for each class. I have really enjoyed being a school councillor. It is an important job."

Thanks to all the school council this year.







# Breakfast and After School Clubs for Autumn term

Breakfast Club: Wed 5th Sept - Wed 19th Dec Tennis (Monday): September 10th - December 3rd French Y1 and Y2 (Monday): September 10th - Dec 3rd Football (Tuesday): September 11th - December 4th Gymnastics (Wednesday) Sept 12th - December 5th Rugbytots (Thursday): September 13th - December 6th All Star Choir (Friday): September 14th - December 7th Karate (Friday): September 14th - December 7th

We are pleased to confirm that a new after-school choir club will be available from September 2018. All after school clubs are open to Year 1 and 2 children only and Reception pupils will be invited to join later in the academic year once settled into school routines. Flyers are attached with this newsletter.

# **Club Providers**



Following a review of our club provision we have decided to transfer our after-school football and gymnastics clubs to a new provider, Kickstart Coaching. Kickstart are a growing sports based company in the Surrey

area, and some parents may be familiar with them via their association with Milford Pumas Football Club. Kickstart will also run a lunchtime sports club at Milford from September, 5 days per week. This club will be funded by our Sports Premium grant and will allow all children the

chance to access a wide variety of sporting opportunities. Teachers will arrange the rotas to ensure that everyone can participate.

