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Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve

Dear Parents,

Another busy week at Milford School, with the children enjoying a variety of learning. On Tuesday Year 1 received a visit from the dental hygiene team and on Thursday Year 2's looked at photos and artefacts linked to their Rainforest topic and enjoyed an entertaining talk from Lisa Bessa (Joel Year 1) who is a Geologist. Toddler time was well attended, with lots of siblings and new faces enjoying soft play, play-dough, dressing-up and small world play in the hall. Thanks to The Friends for organising refreshments and also for organising 'Quiz' night, a highly enjoyable evening with the Teacher's team winning first prize in a nail-biting tie break! Next Friday is our Christmas Fair and we look forward to seeing many of you there.

Yours sincerely,

K J Leggett

DIARY DATES

Fri 04.12.15 Christmas Fair - 3.20pm
 Fri 11.12.15 Elm/Lime to Dower and Clockhouse
 Mon 14.12.15 Christmas Performance for younger siblings 9.30am
 Tue 15.12.15 Christmas Performance (1) 9.15am (Surnames beginning A-K)
 Wed 16.12.15 Christmas Performance (2) 9.15am (Surnames beginning L-Z)
 Thurs 17.12.15 Parent Helpers Coffee 9.00am
 Christmas Lunch
 Class Christmas Parties 2-3pm
 Fri 18.12.15 Carols around the Tree 9.00-9.30am
 Fri 18.12.15 Last Day of term school closes **1.00pm**

Mon 21.12.15 **Christmas Holiday**
 Tues 05.01.16 School resumes at 8.55am
 Wed 03.02.16 Film Night 3.30-5.00pm
 Mon 07.02.16 Parents Evening 4.30 - 7.00pm
 Tues 08.02.16 Parents Evening 3.30 - 6.00pm
 Thurs 11.02.16 Cake Sale - Doughnuts
 Wed 23.03.16 Easter Fair

Christmas Fair Collection Time—Friday 4th December



Children should be collected at the normal time on the day of the Christmas Fair i.e. 3.15p.m. from their usual collection points.

After School Clubs

Monday 7th December - Last Tennis session
 Tuesday 8th December - Last Football session
 Wednesday 9th December - Last Club Energy session
 Friday 18th December - Last Breakfast Club session

Thursday 17th December- Class Parties

Class parties will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 17th December. Children can bring party clothes to change into at 2pm. Please make sure they are in a named bag and that they can change into them easily! **School will finish at the normal time of 3.15pm.**

Stars of the Week

Certificates were awarded to:

Elm: Evie M
 Archie T
 Lime: Ben P
 Saskia B
 Beech: Oliver C
 Chloe B
 Cherry: Fran S
 Harry E-B
 Oak: Lucie C
 Henry B
 Willow: Lola C
 Jack D



Parent Workshop – Thursday 19th November 2015

Thank you to all those who attended our first parent workshop which was run by Jo Fulterer (Inclusion Manager) and Sarah Dutton (Home School Link Worker) on 'Helping your child to be ready for learning'. We had a fantastic turn out and the feedback has been very positive and helpful. We will be running our next workshop in early February and details will be sent out in the New Year.

Children in Need

We have raised £246 for Children in Need with our wear something spotty day. Thank you to everyone who donated.

Surrey Commercial Services

Surrey Commercial Services have received two awards in the National Education Catering Industry Awards for the quality and excellence of the produce and the training that their staff receive.

NEXT WEEK'S DELICIOUS MENU

Mediterranean pasta bake with garlic bread and vegetable medley

Quorn korma with wholegrain rice and sweetcorn **V**
Glazed marmalade cake **V**

Cumberland pork sausages with BBQ sauce, mashed potato and broccoli florets

Boston bean filled jacket potato with sliced carrots **V**
Autumn fruit crumble and custard **V**

Roast British chicken with stuffing, roast potatoes, carrot and swede and gravy

Country bake with roast potatoes and cabbage **V**
Fresh fruit salad with vanilla crème fraiche **V**

Beef bolognese with herby bread and sweetcorn
Cauliflower and broccoli cheese with ½ jacket potato and green beans **V**

Ginger cookie **V**

Crispy coated pollock with oven chips and beans
Quorn lattice slice with oven chips and garden peas **V**

Chocolate sponge with chocolate sauce **V**
(Menus are sometimes subject to change)

Christmas Performance

You will have attached to this newsletter your tickets for the Christmas Performance. Surnames beginning with **A-K** have been issued with tickets to attend on Tuesday 15th December and **L-Z** on Wednesday 16th December. Due to fire regulations we will need to limit the number of tickets to **two per family**. Please **ensure you bring your tickets to the performance and do not bring any extra people as we will have to turn them away**. We are required, by law, to monitor the number of people we have in the



School hall for these performances. We would like to invite parents with younger siblings to attend our special performance on Monday 14th December at 9.30am. Please contact the School Office to put your name on the list as we need to know how many people will be attending. Please note there will be a collection after the Christmas Entertainment, that will be donated to the charity 'Pets As Therapy'. Any donations will be gratefully received. There will also be programmes available at a cost of £1 each.

The Friends of Milford

SECRET SANTA SHOP

Thanks to those who have brought in donations for the Secret Santa Shop. We are doing fairly well with presents for the Mums, but urgently need some more presents for the Dads. If you are able to contribute anything we would be most grateful. Please put them in the box outside Reception.



BOTTLE TOMBOLA

*Please can you also remember to bring in any bottles you can find for the bottle tombola. **Boozy bottles especially welcome!***

CHRISTMAS FAIR

*Please don't forget to give your child **£1.50 for each present** they will buy on Friday morning at the Secret Santa Shop (one for mum and one for dad). The shop will also be open at the Fair to buy presents for other relatives/friends or if your child doesn't have the money in the morning. Please don't forget to sign up with your reps for a 20 minute stint on your class stall as this is what makes the fair work for everyone to enjoy.*



School's Policy on Videoing/Photography of School Events

Governors have agreed that parents and carers can take photos and videos at the school entertainment afternoons. Please note the School's policy below:

- Parents and carers can use photographs and videos taken at a school event for their **own personal use** only. Such photos and videos **cannot be sold and must not be put on the web/internet** due to Data Protection legislation, which in such circumstance is likely to be contravened.
- Recording or/photographing other than for private use would require the consent of all the other parents whose children may be included in the images.
- Parents and carers must follow guidance from staff as to when photography and videoing is permitted and where to stand in order to minimise disruption to the activity.
- Parents and carers must not photograph or video children changing for performances or events.
- If you are accompanied or represented by people that school staff do not recognise, they may need to check out who they are if they are using a camera or video recorder.

However, we live in an age in which technology has vastly increased the use, and potential misuse, of photographs. In the recent past there has been concern about the possibility of a child being identified by a photograph in the Press, or in the filming of a school event, in case they are put at risk of being targeted for abuse. Having taken advice from Surrey Police, Surrey County Council (the Local Education Authority) and other organisations, we believe that the risk of a child being identified by a stranger is so small that, provided reasonable steps are in place to limit the publication of their names and addresses, photography of children at the school should continue, in line with the policy set out above.

Dental Hygiene Visit to Year 1

On Tuesday of this week, Year 1s had a visit from the dental hygiene team who talked to them about the importance of looking after their teeth. The children were shocked to discover the number of sugar cubes in packets of sweets and fizzy drinks.



Do you love your teeth?

The children practised 'brushing their teeth' for the recommended time of 2 minutes (for some this felt like a very long time!). They also learned which snacks were the healthiest for their teeth.

Pied Piper Theatre Company

Last Tuesday the whole school enjoyed a visit from The Pied Piper Theatre Company who performed the Story 'The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse'.

We joined the two mice as they embarked on an amazing journey and discovered that sometimes new can be exciting, and different can be good!

Thank you to all of the parents who contributed towards the cost and 'Friends of Milford' who subsidised the event.



