



Dear Parents,

It has been a busy few weeks and I must apologise that this newsletter is a week late (due to the snow). From the bits of home learning and photos that children have brought to share with me, it looked like lots of you had some fun. This week is our Book Week and sadly our author, David Lucas, had to cancel his visit on Thursday due to illness. We are looking to get this booked again very soon and may surprise the children this time by not telling them the date! Books that have been pre-ordered will still be signed and honoured when he visits, so please do not worry. There have been some fantastic stories and writing activities going on across the school this week, with all of the children very excited and motivated to produce their best work. A big thanks must go to Mrs Ward (for organising) and all of the staff for their efforts in putting together an exciting week of literacy for the children. I hope you have all been tuning in to our youtube channel to view the 'Milford Bedtime Stories' each night - [youtube.com/MilfordInfantsTV](https://www.youtube.com/MilfordInfantsTV). Thank you to all of the parents that completed 'Grow, Learn, Believe, Achieve' forms at parents evening. It was wonderful to read all of the different ways you felt your child was starting to meet our school vision. I have started putting together a book that will stay in our welcome area for visitors to see some of the comments you have made. Have a great weekend.

Mr Stear

DIARY DATES

Mon 12.03.18 - Fri 16.03.18 Science Week
 Tues 20.03.18 Toddler Time 2.15-3pm
 Weds 21.03.18 Godalming Festival Singing Together Y2
 Choir 6.30pm Rodborough School
 Weds 21.03.18 Broadwater Badminton Event (Y2)
 Weds 28.03.18 Y2 to visit Dower House and Clockhouse
 Weds 28.03.18 Easter Fair 3.15 - 5pm
 Thurs 29.03.18 Spring Assembly 9.15-9.45 am
 Thurs 29.03.18 Last Day of term - school closes 1pm
 Mon 16.04.18 First day of Summer term
 Thurs 26.04.18 Photographer - Class Photos
 Mon 07.05.18 May Bank holiday

Thurs 17.05.18 Y1 to St Hilarys (optional choice)
 Tues 22.05.18 Year R to Birdworld
 Tues 22.05.18 Year 1 to Squires (optional choice)
 Mon 28.05.18 - Fri 01.06.18 **Summer Half-term**
 Mon 04.06.18 **Inset Day-school closed for staff training**
 Fri 08.06.18 Year 1 to Squires follow-up (optional choice)
 Wed 27.06.18 Year 2 to Wisley Gardens
 Wed 04.07.18 Year 2 and Whole School Bump-Up Day
 Fri 06.07.18 ACE Day Chandler
 Tues 10.07.18 Willow Class to Tuesley Farm
 Thurs 12.07.18 Oak Class to Tuesley Farm
 Fri 20.07.18 Last day of term school closes 1pm
 Mon 23.07.18 **Inset Day**

Arrangement for Year 2 Visits to The Chandler

The children from Year 2 who will be allocated places for The Chandler in September will be invited to visit on two different occasions. Milford School will arrange for a coach to transport the children on Friday 6th July to the ACE day (9.30a.m.-2.30p.m.) And back to Milford School for collection at normal time. Parents will have to make their own arrangements to take their children to the bump-up day on Wednesday 4th July which will take place in the afternoon 1.30p.m. - 3.00p.m (details to follow).

Milford Baptist Church - Easter Club 2018

4th-6th April - 10:00am-12:15pm - Space Academy!
 Please join us at Milford Baptist Church for lots of fun and games. It is for school years Reception-Y 6. Parents are invited on Friday 6th April at 12:00-12:30 to join our finale, followed by a free lunch buffet. Download registration forms from www.milfordbaptistchurch.org.uk. Please email mbckidsevents@gmail.com

SCL Survey

Parents may have noticed that SCL did not run a February half-term holiday club at Milford this year. Regretfully SCL have withdrawn the holiday club due to low numbers. This was very disappointing, as the school receives a significant income from this letting. SCL have agreed to conduct a survey to gauge parental interest in re-starting the club. A paper copy of the survey is being sent home via your child's book-bag. Please endeavour to complete the survey and return it to the School Office by Friday 16th March.

Holiday request reminder

In line with our attendance policy we will not normally authorise absence for holidays during term time and any such absences will be marked as unauthorised. Surrey County Council guidance gives Headteachers the power to authorise absence **only in exceptional circumstances**. Examples of exceptional circumstances, given by the Dept for Education (DfE), are: service leave and family crisis.

Star of the Week w/e 9th February 2018

Willow

Lily: Some super responses on the carpet and independent writing

Sebastian: All round progress and fantastic effort

Oak

Stanley: for an excellent effort with all of his learning and super contributions on the carpet

Lexi: Progress with her phonics and trying her best with her writing

Cherry

Jasper: Being an excellent role model

Ted: Independent and enthusiastic learning Science

Beech

Sebastian: Amazing attitude to learning and

Ella: Always being considerate to others in our school

Lime

Reuben: A positive attitude to his learning

Zac R: Extending his learning at home

Elm

Leo: perseverance and resilience at swimming

Max: Effort and progress in reading



A Medieval Banquet

Beech Class teamed up with Cherry Class to enjoy a splendid Medieval Banquet. They devoured a feast with enthusiasm, fought valiantly in jousting tournaments and danced majestically to Medieval chants. The Royal Subjects were magnificently dressed and much merriment was had by all. A super finale to our exciting topic of Castles.



Star of the Week w/e 23rd February

Willow

Isla: For always being considerate and her super use of our Travel Agent's role play

Ethan: For fantastic reading and finding rhyming words in sentences

Oak

Bobbie: For brilliant reading and finding rhyming words in sentences

Charlie: For always trying his best with all of his learning activities. Moving on to the next set of his keywords

Cherry

Juliet: Reading a story to her class at the end of the day

Layla: Demonstrating many of our school values like patience

Beech

Tyler: For fantastic Maths work

Ben: For producing some wonderful home learning about Hampton Court Palace

Lime

Theo: Sharing fantastic ideas and knowledge in Geography

Taylor: Fantastic effort in his learning and reading at home

Elm

Lexi: Sharing great ideas in poetry and thinking carefully about effective words

Theo: effort in swimming and listening carefully to the teacher



Reuben

Reuben in Year 1 has been performing at the New Wimbledon Theatre in the Ellen Kent and Opera & Ballet International production of Madama Butterfly. This is a brilliant achievement and very brave to perform in front of so many people. He will be performing again in April and we wish him the best of luck! Thank you to Reuben's parents for providing photos for us to enjoy.

