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Milford Mail



Dear Parents/Carers,

Another half term has flown by - I cannot believe how it feels that time has accelerated since January. Over the past few weeks we have had a visit from a professional from Surrey's Schools Alliance for Excellence to see our school and carry out a 'Healthcheck', which is part of our Godalming Learning Partnership school improvement offer. A range of aspects of the school were looked at including safeguarding, behaviour and attitudes, teaching and learning and the school curriculum. It was incredibly useful and highlighted some real strengths to our school, meaning we are well positioned going forward. Governors have met a few times now to carry out their duties and to also prepare for the recruitment of a new Headteacher for our amazing school. The advertisement went live earlier this week and we have had significant interest already. The Co-Chair's of Governors, Mel Isherwood and Maureen Holland will keep you updated as things progress.

Looking ahead to the next half term at Milford, there's lots to be excited about. Parent consultations, visits to museums and different places of worship being two things to keep an eye out for. You will also receive your child's Purple Mash login details and access for you to use at home. This is the platform we use to deliver our Computing Curriculum and has lots of fun activities you can carry out with your child. Finally, what has to be the highlight of the half term is our Book Week, including World Book Day (details will follow soon). We are holding our traditional 'Masked Reader' again, so keep a look out for the videos to go live and have fun with your child trying to guess who is behind the masks!

I hope you have a great half term, whatever you are doing. If I can ask one thing from every child and parent/carer over the next week and a bit, it would be this: please please please keep on reading and practising the sight words that your child's class teacher has been sending home on a regular basis. Revisiting these regularly (daily) will support your child's reading and writing immensely and help to ensure they do really well, giving them the best possible start to their education. WE NEED YOU!

Andrew Stear

Diary Dates

Mon 13.02—17.02.23	Half term Holiday
Mon 27.02—Fri 03.03	Milford School Book Week
Fri 03.03.23	Book Character dress-up day
Tues 06.03.23	Year 2 visit to The Mosque, Woking
Tues 14.03.23	Year 1 to Haslemere Museum
Fri 31.03.23	Last day of term

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Star of the Week 27.01.23

Beech: Maryam and Hunter

Cherry: Fin, Iyla, and Monty

Elm: Mateo, Max and Robert

Lime: Josh and Chloe

Oak: Bea and Maisie

Willow: Grace and Sebby

Star of the Week 03.02.23

Beech: Maude, Ben and Penny

Cherry: Alby and Arthur

Elm: Ben and Rory

Lime: Marcus and Joshua

Oak: Megan and Callie

Willow: Erin and Gracie

School Lunch Ordering

Please ensure all lunch choices are made by Saturday 18th February for after half term. If your child has a school meal and you have not submitted your choices we will give your child a jacket potato.

Staff Car Park

Please note that the staff car park is for staff use only due to limited capacity. Breakfast and After School Clubs are not permitted to use the car park for drop off or pick up. If you have a physical disability which requires parking access, please contact the School Office to discuss. Please do not use the car park to walk through to school as it is a hazard with cars parking.

Parking

Please remember to be considerate when parking outside the school, by not parking in the lay-by, the zig-zag lines, and leaving enough access for local residents and emergency vehicle access. Parking permits for the car park next to the doctors surgery are available at the School Office.

Thank you—Ukrainian Toy Appeal

We would like to say a very big thank you to Violetta (Lev's Mum) for organising toys and books to be transported back for the children of her home country, Ukraine. She also sent a beautiful bunch of flowers as a thank you to parents for all their donations including cash for the transportation. If you would like to contribute towards the transportation please bring your cash donation to the School Office.



Milford School Book Week w/b 27.02.23

Please look in your child's book bag for a flyer for Milford School Book Week and a £1 book token which can be used to purchase a book. Book character dress-up day will be Friday 3rd March and there will be a prize for the best 'home-made' costume.

Inset Days

Remaining inset days are Monday 17th April and Friday 26th May.

The children in Oak and Willow are really 'taking off' with their learning this term through our topic 'On the Move'.

We had a fun trip to Brooklands Museum, cars, planes, buses even our own handmade loopy gliders!



Naughty Bus got into our classrooms causing havoc! But the children took him on an adventure to explore our school and then made their own bus with moving wheels. They even wrote down the instructions for how to make one if you want to try at home? Amazing sentence writing!



Investigating moving vehicles on a ramp. How fast can we make them go?





We have been working hard in our PE lessons. Learning how to balance, walk forwards and backwards on a line. We even thought of creative ways to move along a line with our friends.



We love phonics hunts outside, we have been hunting angry red 'ai' words.



Music lessons can be very lively in reception. The children love playing lots of different instruments. Friday afternoons tend to finish with a bang!

