



Dear Parents and Carers

It's been a busy couple of weeks at Milford. Our Monday morning assemblies have been held on Zoom and I've been channelling my inner Mr Motivator with a "Wake and Shake" theme! In our upcoming Healthy Week (7-11th February) we'll hopefully move "Wake and Shake" to the playground before school and we'd love to see you there (we'll send an email out nearer the time). It's such a great way to start the day and certainly leaves me feeling energised, happy and ready for the day ahead.

As always, I have enjoyed seeing the learning which has been going on around the school. In Year 2, the children have designed some really exciting Apps in Computing. Reception have been learning about the adventures of "The Naughty Bus" and it even made an appearance in my office! Year 1 have become composers this week and their musical compositions have been heard floating through the corridor.

I hope that you all have a fantastic weekend and are able to get out and enjoy some time in the outdoors.

Miss Jones
Acting Headteacher

Breakfast Club—Childcare Vouchers

We are now accepting childcare vouchers and will top up your account with the amount once voucher payment has been received. This will enable you to book the sessions you require as the system will not allow you to book without payment. Please ask the office for further details.

Second Hand Uniform

Thank you for all your uniform contributions. However, we do not have the capacity to store any more until further notice. We are having another sale on Friday 4th February at drop off and pick up and also Monday 7th Feb at drop off.

School Lunches

If your child has a school meal and you have not submitted your choices we will give your child a jacket potato. Please ensure all choices are made by the Saturday for the following week.

Mask Wearing in School

Although government guidelines say that mask wearing is no longer mandatory we request that you wear one coming into the school to help keep our staff and children safe.

Diary Dates

Mon	14.02 - Fri 18.02.22	Half-term
Mon	21.02.22	Inset Day
Mon	04.04-Mon 18.04.22	Easter Holidays
Tues	19.04.22	Inset Day
Wed	20.04.22	First Day of term
Mon	02.05.22	Bank Holiday
Fri	27.05.22	Inset Day
Mon	30.05-Fri 03.06.22	Half-term
Fri	22.07.22	Last day of term

Star of the Week 07.01.21

Elm

Lucy: For always listening carefully to instructions and getting on with the task at hand independently. You are an excellent role model

Dillon: For a terrific start to the term! You have contributed a lot to our class discussions and worked really hard on your diamante poem.

Lime

Florence: For superb, independent and creative work on her diamante poem in English.

Charles: For wonderful, independent work showing his understanding in Maths and being very responsible in the classroom.

Beech

Holly: For approaching all of your learning with a smile and creating a fabulous poster about being independent, inspired by our book 'Only One You'.

Anna: For always being a super role model and showing our value of respect. Also, for trying your best in our learning, every day in every lesson.

Cherry

Theo: Always ready to learn and for working really hard on his writing—well done!

Heidi: Ready to learn and some great work in Maths and always kind to others. You are a great role model.

Oak

Isla: For her beautiful handwriting when practicing 'r', great reading and being a polite member of our class.

Sophie: For her fantastic 'Train Ride' writing about what she could see out of the window. Excellent use of phonics and sight words.

Willow

Aidan: For a super start to the term, always being polite, ready to learn and showing our new value 'respect' to others.

Dexter: For his fantastic use of phonics and sight words in his 'Train Ride' caption writing to go with his view from a train window painting.

Star of the Week 14.01.21

Elm

Ruben: Wow—what a brilliant start to the term! You have focused so hard on your tasks and have been such a helpful and grown up member of Y2.

Ivy: For always being ready to learn and for listening respectfully on the carpet. You are a wonderful role model and a caring friend.

Lime

Gabe: For excellent contributions all week during carpet time and superb understanding in Maths.

Erin: For excellent effort in her activities all week and great work making 10 with her Maths.

Beech

Zac W: For excellent writing about Traction Man this week. Well done!

Matilda: For excellent writing about Traction Man this week. Well done!

Cherry

Esther: For showing greater independence in her learning and for working really hard this week.

Jack: For some superb ideas and Traction Man writing and wonderful work in Maths.

Oak

Kash: For his excellent learning in Phonics this week, blending to read words.

Sam: For his excellent reading and learning in Phonics.

Willow

Eloise: For always being an excellent model of our new value 'respect' and for successfully learning All of her Year R sight words already.

Otis: For being a marvellous mathematician, using great problem-solving skills and superb systematic recording to find all of the different ways to make 5!

Star of the Week 21.01.21

Elm

Carolina: For always being a superstar listener and trying 100% with your learning. Also, for amazing adding of two two-digit numbers.

JJ: For thinking of some fantastic noun phrases to describe a story setting. Also for collaborative learning with your friends during games.

Lime

Ben: For choosing amazing adjectives to create outstanding noun phrases for our descriptive work on the Tunnel.

Olivia: For going above and beyond in all her Maths activities this week and relishing every challenge with a huge smile.

Beech

Louis: For an exciting start to your Traction Man adventure story.

For great focus on your handwriting and a super start to your Traction Man adventure story.

Cherry

Teddy: For wonderful writing in English and making great choices all this week—well done!

Noah: For working so hard on his learning from home especially showing me his brilliant Maths.

Oak

Henry: For his brilliant use of phonics in his independent writing about his amazing bike innovation.

Maryam: For her brilliant independent writing about her amazing bike, using phonics and sight words.

Willow

Monty: For superb writing, for being a fantastic helper and always being ready to learn and apply his new learning!

Robyn: For great sight reading and always being respectful, listening carefully and eager to tidy and help.

Parking

It has been noted that cars are parking in the lay-by and then walking their children into school. 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.

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 etc

Pedestrian Crossing

Please use the pedestrian crossing to cross the road to the school. There have been a few near misses due to crossing in dangerous places.

Parking Permits

We have parking permits available for the car park next to the doctor's surgery. Please come to the School Office if you want a permit.

Volunteers needed for Garden clear up—26th Feb

Some of the outside areas around school have got rather overgrown. We are looking for weekend volunteers (although any regular help also gratefully received!) to help clear the garden area by the library and the Pond area behind Reception.

Day : Saturday 26th February

Time : TBC but even if you can spare an hour that would be great.

As this is outside of school hours no DBS is required.

Inset Days

Inset days remaining for this academic year are:

Monday 21st February

Tuesday 19th April and

Friday 27th May.

Updating Records/Information

Please check the information, including contact details, we have for your child are up to date. This can be done via the Arbor app.

Year R News

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

We started the term by all going on a 'Train Ride' where we learnt to recite the poem and we saw some of our own wonderful views of the train window.



We then had a rather unusual bike appear in our outside area. Mrs Ambridge inspired us to create our own crazy bike designs and write about them.



This week a 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!



A London bus needs London town...complete with Big Ben





Miss Baxter's shop proved very popular!



Using our phonics



Investigating floating and sinking...



In Maths...



Capacity



How many ways can you make 6 or 7 or 10?