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Milverton Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents,

I have been able to get into a few more lessons this week and can say I have been really pleased to see fantastic teaching. Children are given exciting lessons that really challenge their thinking skills. While I haven't had a chance to see it in action I would like to know more about the Year 5's and 6's Metric Olympics!



Good Luck to Mrs Green

We wish Mrs Green, "Good Luck!" As she will be stepping into parenthood after the half term break. After a long wait, Mrs Green and her partner will hopefully be adopting twin boys. Unfortunately for us, this does mean that Mrs Green will not be with us for the rest of this school year, hoping to return to school in the Autumn term. Everyone at school is delighted for her as she transitions into the role of new mum, something we know she will be fantastic at! Good luck from us all!

Unpredictable Weather

Along with the uncertain weather conditions we are facing at the moment, please could you ensure your child has a light rain jacket in school, as if at all possible we like for the children to play outside at break times during the day. Thank you for your support!

PTA Meeting

Once your child starts at Milverton you automatically become a member of the PTA, next Thursday (6th) is our AGM and we would really love to see lots of people there. We aim to keep the meeting to under an hour and have some exciting plans for the future which need to be discussed, please. There will be a crèche in the IT room for the little ones.

Agenda Thursday 6th October 3.30pm

- Apologies
- Minutes from last meeting
- Treasurers Report
- Chairs Report
- PTA Changes – Changes to name, constitution and structure
- AOB

Sarah Simon PTA Chair

Diary Dates

Thurs 6th October	Harvest Assembly @ St Marks Church
Mon 10th October	YR Phonics Workshop @3.30pm
Mon 10th October	Y3/4 Compton Verney Trip - 3/4 F
Tues 11th October	Y3/4 Compton Verney Trip - 3/4 JN
Fri 14th October	Y3/4 Compton Verney Trip - 3/4 TH
Mon 17th October	Marle Hall Parent Meeting @6pm
Fri 21st October	School Closed Inset Day
Mon 24th Oct—Fri 28th Oct Half Term	
Mon 7th Nov	YR Numeracy Workshop @3.30pm
Mon 7th November - Fri 11th November	Marle Hall Residential
Tues 22nd Nov	Learning Review Meetings
Thurs 24th Nov	Learning Review Meetings
Tues 29th Nov	Y3,4,5,6 - Georges Marvellous Medicine @ new Alex Theatre
Mon 5th Dec	YR Christmas Play @ 2.00pm
Weds 7th Dec	YR , 1, 2 Stick Man @ Warwick Arts
Weds 14th Dec	YR Parent Craft Day
Thurs 15th Dec	Christmas Assembly @ St Marks Church
Fri 16th December	Last Day of Autumn term

Welcome Meeting notes for KS1 and KS2 are now available on the website

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT ALL YOUR CHILD(REN)'S CLOTHES ARE CLEARLY NAMED



Messages from Mrs Belmega



Book Donations Wanted!

Do you have any high quality, primary age picture books, chapter novels or non-fiction books in a good condition that your children no longer read? If the answer is yes, please consider donating them to us! We now have a permanent donation box outside the junior library and we'd very much appreciate any quality books that you can spare!

Junior Librarian Update

A big thank you to Claire, Mia and Ella McNicolas who have volunteered to man the junior library after school on Wednesdays. They will be on hand to offer suggestions and record your book choices so feel free to pop in!

Our fantastic librarians from last year, Jo and Niall Potts, have also offered to run a weekly session during school time so groups of children from each class can visit - thank you to both!

Infant Librarian Update

A big thank you to the Padda family who have volunteered to man the infant library after school on Fridays. They will be on hand to offer suggestions and record your book choices so feel free to pop in!

Mrs Belmega can be contacted on wood.d2@welearn365.com or through the school office.

Safeguarding Corner

As most children now have access to the internet and become more proficient at an ever younger age please talk to your children about safe use of the internet.

A good place to start is the CEOP page called "think u know"
www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Also advice is given in this document provided by Warwickshire county council.
apps.warwickshire.gov.uk/api/documents/WCCC-859-137

Meet the Governors Kay Lawrie-Stiven



I started my term as a Parent Governor in September 2015.

Having been actively involved in the parent body since my children joined the school, I have seen and experienced the school at work on numerous occasions, across many different classes and in a wide range of different situations, having also helped staff and pupils on a day to day basis.

I believe strongly in offering positive challenge to the school's leadership team, helping Milverton continually strive to become an even better school than it already is.

I feel that all children should be given the very best opportunity for learning as they start their educational journeys, stimulating them to learn for life, and want to ensure that Milverton is doing this for every child who passes through our school.

I am particularly interested in supporting the school in enriching the curriculum using experiential learning, providing stimulating experiences with a wide range of resources both in and outside of school.

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn" rings particularly true for me and I feel is an integral part of Milverton's ethos.

Class Assemblies Autumn Term

Children's classes will perform a short assembly about their current learning. Parents are welcome to attend to watch the performance. Please arrive at 10am.

Friday 14th October Class 5/6 JB

Friday 18th November Class 3/4 JN

Friday 2nd December Class 2 TB

Star of The Week Winners




Well done
Ember, Oscar, Sihan, Olivia
Sammy, Harry, Vidhushi and Ben
On Friday 23rd September

After School Clubs Autumn Term 2016 – Sept – Dec 2016.

Lunch	Day	After school
	Monday	Squash (Yrs 5 & 6) Tennis (Yrs 3, 4 and 5) Drama (Yrs 3 - 6)
Spanish (Yrs 1 - 3) Fencing (Juniors) TBC	Tuesday	Football (Yrs 1, 2 and 3) Tennis (Yrs 1 and 2)
Fencing (Juniors) TBC Singing Lessons (Yrs 2 – 6)	Wednesday	Multi Sports (Yrs R - 4) Sewing Club (Yrs 4, 5 and 6)
Cheerleading (Yrs 5 and 6)	Thursday	Football (Yrs 4, 5 and 6) Dance (Yrs 1 and 2)
Chess (Juniors)	Friday	Squash (Yrs 3 & 4) Cookery (Yrs 1 – 6) Dance (Yrs 3 - 6)



Scrap Store Play Pod

Please start to bring in items for us to resource the play pod.

I will aim to open the play pod every morning for people to drop off items. We will not be passing these straight out to children until we have checked the resources to allow safe play. This will take us up to and past half term before we start to allow children to use these items.

Useful items will need to be clean and with no sharp edges.

- Large cardboard tubes
- Boxes
- Old steering wheels
- Plastic tubing
- Bins
- Guttering
- Ropes and string
- House Phones
- Nets
- Blankets / sheets

I am really excited about establishing this as a feature to our playtime provision as I think the children are going to enjoy it immensely!

Please watch the video on you tube of a scrap store in action.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqj1KyJJeKg>

Harvest Festival Collection

The children will be celebrating Harvest Festival with a special service at St Mark's Church. We will be asking children to bring in:

- Long Life Fruit Juice
- Sugar (500g bags)
- Coffee
- Tinned Meat
- Instant Mashed Potato
- Sponge Puddings

As last year, **Warwick and Leamington Foodbank, the Salvation Army Way Ahead Project** and **Helping Hands** are jointly collecting to make sure your donations get to where they are most needed. Thank you for your continued support.

Term Dates 2016/17

Autumn term 2016

Mon 5th September Term Begins
Fri 21st October School Closed Inset Day

Mon 24th - Fri 28th Oct Half Term

Fri 16th December Term Ends

Spring term 2017

Tues 3rd January School Closed Inset Day
Wed 4th January Term Begins

Mon 20th - Fri 24th Feb Half Term

Mon 27th February School Closed Inset Day
Fri 7th April Term Ends

Summer term 2016

Mon 24th April Term Begins

Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd June Half Term

Fri 21st July Term Ends

Midday Supervisor Post

6.25 hours per week
paid at £7.52—£7.66p/h

We are looking to recruit a committed person or persons to our happy group of midday supervisors.

We require someone who is committed to the role, enjoys working with children, vigilant and professional in their approach.

We can offer a positive working environment with a delightful group of people. However, the best part of the job is the chance to work with the wonderful children of Milverton, engaging with children in a positive way that will brighten up your day.

Milverton is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful application will be required to undertake a check by the Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) and positively engage in staff training.

Please contact the school office for details.