



Milverton News

Coming up next week

Monday	
Tuesday	Forest Schools Apple Class Christmas @ St Marks
Wednesday	Swimming Christmas Jumper Day FOMPS Carol Singing
Thursday	
Friday	Celebration Assembly Merry Milvertonians End of Term

FOMPS Festive Carol Singing

Save the date for our first FOMPS Festive Carol Singing fundraiser
Wednesday 19th December

Festive Door to Door Carol Singing, collecting for the FOMPS
5.30-6.00pm meet at the school

Hot chocolate with warm up (£1 includes snack, song sheet + Christmas hat)

6.00-7.00pm Carol Singing around
Greatheed Road, Northumberland Road,
Wheathill Close and Beverley Road.

Parents will be responsible for the children they bring.



Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree...

We have put our Christmas tree up on the playground and are hoping to get the lights on this week.

We would like everyone to bring a decoration to hang on the tree, if you would like to. Please be careful when hanging the decorations.



Diary Dates

Mon 7th Jan	School Closed Teacher Day
Tues 8th Jan	School Opens
Thur 24th Jan	Football Vs Clinton Away
Fri 1st Feb	Class Assembly Cherry
Tue 5th Feb	Football Vs St Pauls Home
Tue 5th Feb	Intrepid explorer visit
Thur 7th Feb	Dance Festival @ Trinity
Fri 15th Feb	Half Term ends
Mon 25th Feb	Spring term 2 begins
Tue 26th Feb	Learning Review Meetings
Thur 28th Feb	Learning Review Meetings
Tue 5th Mar	Archery
Fri 8th Mar	Class Assembly Oak
Fri 8th Mar	Gymnastics
Fri 8th Mar	Football Vs Bish Tach Home
Thur 21 March	Y5/6 Table Tennis
Fri 12th April	Term Ends

Merry Milvertonians

For the past few years, on the last day of term, at the end of the school day, we have enjoyed our Merry Milvertonian's gathering on the playground. This is a chance for families to celebrate the end of term with a few festive nibbles and drinks together on the playground. Children will be singing some carols, parents will be very welcome to join in, as we wish everyone involved with Milverton a very Merry Christmas. I do hope you will be able to join us!

The FOMPS and some Children will be running some stalls at the event. The tombola will be running and the FOMPS are hoping you may be able to donate a prize. All proceeds towards the FOMPS.

The wonderful 'Milverton RAG'

Please, Please take a look at the new Milverton RAG the school newsletter made for the children by the children of Milverton. It is absolutely amazing! This will be on the school website newsletter page and we are sending a copy home for all those in Year 3,4,5 and 6.

A huge Thank you to Cheif Editor Sam and the RAG team Alex, Angus, Arlo, Charlie, Claudia, Elliot, Erin, Harry, Heidi, Jake, Lola, Toby, Tristan and Will. A massive thank you to Steve for giving up his free time to coordinate the team!



Good luck to Bob

I received the very sad news from the local authority that our longstanding crossing guard, Bob Costello, will be retiring at Christmas. It is with great sadness that I bring this news as he is a well loved member of our school community and has been for many years. Bob has been a constant, reliable and well loved member of our community helping to keep your children safe in the cold dark hours of the day. Always kind and polite and with the best interests of our children. I am gathering a collection for Bob with a closing date of Wednesday 19th December. I would like to invite Bob to our Merry Milvertonians event where we could present him with our small token of appreciation for all his efforts for the Milverton community and wish him well in his retirement years.

I am in consultation with the Local Authority and our local councillor regarding the necessity to our children's safety, to find a replacement.

Please leave donations for Bob's retirement gift in an envelope at the school office.

Learner of the month



Tilly

Sports Person of the month



Willow

Making a difference award



Ivor

Congratulations to our 'Star Learners' this week

- Hazel
- Willow
- Cherry
- Apple
- Pear
- Elm
- Pine
- Maple
- Chestnut
- Oak
- Ash
- Holly
- Kate
- Dhivea
- Calice
- Harry
- Lyla
- Meghan
- Arlo
- Tristan
- Serene
- Hermione





Christmas Wreaths

A Few snaps from the Christmas Wreaths evening, superbly run by Kate and the FOMPS team, thank you to all for organising and participating in the festive fun! And They managed to raise over £800 for the new playground!



THANK YOU FOR KIND RAFFLE DONATIONS FROM...

Bill's, Cake Time, Morrisons, Neal's Yard, The Fat Pug, Regency Flowers, Sainsbury's, Usborne Books and Warwick Street Kitchen.



Milverton's Poetree is now on sale!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Exciting news—we are publishing our very own paperback poetry book in conjunction with Scholastic's 'We are Writers' service!



Our project was launched back in September with a visit from published poet, Dean Parkin, who shared some of his poems in a whole school assembly and then lead workshops for children in years 2-6.

Since then, **all** the children from reception to year 6 have been busy writing their own poems, in groups and independently, in school and at home, covering a wide range of poetic styles. From haikus to odes, free verse to rhyme and raps to nonsense poems, there is something in the Milverton Poetree to suit all tastes; here are a just a few extracts to give you a sneaky peek into the minds of some of our creative writers:

Space Jump

Looking down, it's so bright,
Flight.
Spinning to the ground,
Found.
Past the clouds, way up high,
Bye.
What do you hear?
Fear.
The highest skydive,
Alive.
Were you scared?
Prepared.
Safe at home,
Alone.
No more speed,
Relieved.
Way too tired,
Retired.



by Thomas H, Oak Class

I Like

I like spicy ham,
I like sweet jam.
I like hot coffee,
I like chewy toffee.
I like chocolate cake,
I like tasty steak.
But sweets are my favourite as
a special treat.



by Immy G, Apple Class

November

Nuts in the sky
Off into space
Vrooming
Exploding
Moving very fast
Breaking
Enjoyable
Rockets taking off



by Lewis, Harry S, Sean &

Beast

Big hunt!
Big hunt.
There's going to be a big hunt!
Let's kill a beast,
Let's kill a beast!
Get your sharp flint spears and
we shall hunt.
Off we go!
Walk slowly.
Walk,
Shhh.....
A beast,
A big woolly
mammoth.
It is huge
It would make a delicious feast
One, two, three.....
KILL!
We charge at full speed.
We speared it.
Now we are dragging the
beast home.



by Cora D, Maple Class

Ode to the Moon

Oh marvellous, magnificent moon,
You mean everything to me because you help me get to sleep.
You are a ball of ice and rock, just waiting to be cracked.
You are full of craters that swallow into the murky darkness
of space.
You are rough like sandpaper and dusty like a sandstorm in a
desert,
You are jagged like the teeth of a saw.
You look lonely even though you are surrounded by stars.
You're always feeling sad; we know you need a friend.
You look like you are cold because you never move around.
Oh marvellous, magnificent moon.

By Reggie B, Chestnut Class

**Books are
now on sale
via Parent
Pay!**



<http://www.parentpay.com>

Each book costs £7.99, which will cover the cost of publishing whilst also raising some money for school at the same time.

Please note: the closing date for orders is 12th December and whilst the books won't arrive until after Christmas, they will make great presents none-the-less!



Find out more about We Are Writers at:

www.wearewriters.com





Our school vision and aims



Where the Journey Begins

A journey ...

... that prepares children to find success in whatever they choose to do.

... as part of a nurturing, caring community that encourages children to enjoy life and love learning.

... full of challenge and exciting experiences that develop resilience, strength and determination.

... through a memorable curriculum to develop confident, creative and curious minds.

... that guides children to celebrate individuality, to appreciate differences and to respect others.

... that allows children to mature into empathetic people caring for themselves, for others and for the world around them.

... that empowers children to explore and become free-thinking individuals.

... that inspires children to reach for new horizons.