



Milverton News

Diary Dates

Mon 6th Nov	Marle Hall Residential
	Return Fri 10th Nov
Mon 6th Nov	YR Num Workshop @3.30pm
Mon 13th Nov	Odd Socks Day
Thurs 16th Nov	Y1/2 Mandir Visit
Fri 17th Nov	Children in Need: Spotty Dress Up Day
Tues 21st Nov	Learning Review
	Meetings
Weds 22nd Nov	Clothes Bag Collection
Thurs 23rd Nov	Learning Review
	Meetings
Fri 24th Nov	YR Family Lunch
Thurs 30 Nov	Cheese and Wine
Mon 27th Nov	Parent Forum
Fri 1st Dec	3/4JN Class Assembly
Weds 13th Dec	YR Nativity Play @2pm
Fri 15th Dec	5/6T Class Assembly
Fri 15th Dec	Yr 1 Family Lunch
Tue 19th Dec	YR Parent Craft Day
Wed 20th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Wed 20th Dec	YR Christmas Party
Wed 20th Dec	Christmas Assembly @ St Marks Church
Fri 22nd Dec	Last Day of Aut term
Mon 25th Dec—Fri 5th Jan Christmas Break	
Mon 8th Jan Teacher Day School Closed	

The Kidz-Take-Over Edition

While the head's away, the kids will play! This week, while Mr Fisher is away having fun at Marle Hall, we have decided to allow some of our pupil journalists to have a go at writing their own articles for the newsletter—happy reading!
Collated by Imogen and Isobel (5/6G)

Nativity is Back! By Imogen and Isobel

School teacher, Paul Maddens, is shocked to find a new teaching assistant, Mr Poppy, volunteering to help him with his challenge to once again direct the Nativity play at St Bernadette's Primary School. But will Mr Maddens overcome his fear of Christmas and losing his beloved Jennifer?
On the 2nd November, Milverton Primary School's junior pupils went on an exciting trip to watch Nativity the Musical, live at the Rep theatre in Birmingham. It took place at 2pm and finished at around 4.30, then we had a fabulous trip back to school.



"What a fantastic show, I thoroughly enjoyed it!" Mrs Brock

"I thought the cast 'sparkled and shone' - things were really goooooo in Birmingham." Mrs Belmega

"My highlight of 2017!" Mr Geddes

"One word. Three syllables. Fan-tas-tic!" Douglas and Dan 5/6G

3/4B News—By Amelie and Charlotte

This term we have had a new starter in our class—her name is Coconut! She is a canary, which is a type of bird. She lives outside our classroom in the 3/4 area. Her feathers are grey-white and she has a long, pointy beak. She also like sit when we read her our stories—all the children love our new pet.



Learning in 2TB

We have been learning about Diwali this week and I have made a poster with facts on—it has been really fun! Did you know that Rama and Sita were alive 200 years ago?

By Eliza



I have started my Diwali poster—I am writing 'Happy Diwali' in the middle with patterns around it. I like using bright colours—it is very fun! By Ben



We have been performing poems to the class. My poem is called 'The Wheel Chair Race' - I did it all by myself and it was really fun to read and write. I enjoyed it when they knocked a trolley. By Arthur

Safeguarding Corner

Bob the Lollipop Man

Please note that Bob will not be at his post on the morning of the 21st November. He will be there after school on that day.

Parental Access to School

Please can we remind any parents who wish to **enter the school building in the morning**, that they must do so **via the school reception**, where they will be signed in. All adults approaching any other of the children's doors to enter the school building will be diverted to the main Greatheed Road entrance. **If you wish to speak to your child's class teacher after school**, you will be allowed access through the children's doors but will be asked to wait until the children have safely left the building. This arrangement is **to keep all our children safe in school**—we are sure that you will agree that this is of the upmost importance and thank you for your support.

Exciting School News

Sporting Success

Some new and exciting sports were trialled by Milverton children at the Central Warwickshire School Sports Partnership's 'Sports Festival', which was held at Champion School on Monday afternoon.

The team of eight - Cianan K, Aman B, Sam S, Olivia P, Ben H, Freya H, Charlotte S and Joe E were given the opportunity to compete against 18 other schools and a total of 135 pupils from the Central Warwickshire area. All children tried all events including: archery, indoor rowing, the cup stack challenge and boccia. The Milverton team competed with determination, showing great willpower and strength of character.

The team are looking forward to the results with fingers crossed that they are invited back for the Olympic Finals in the Spring Term.

Well done! An excellent example of team support and collaboration.



Letter Sounds, Shapes and Rockets by Class RH

In RH, we have been learning lots of new letter sounds in phonics. We have also been learning about rhyming, which is when two words sound the same at the end.

We made a rocket with our names on because we have been learning about Bonfire Night.

In maths, we did some learning about 2D shapes like rectangles, triangles, squares, circles and even hexagons, pentagons and heptagons!



The Trinity by Lola and Esther



In our class, we have been learning about trinities in R.E.

e.g. Sister—**Lola**- Friend
Singer

A trinity is how we have all at least three different roles. We wrote about our trinities using complex sentences which went into paragraphs. We used fronted adverbials, adjectives and conjunctions in our writing.

This is connected to RE and the Christian God because Christians believe he has his own trinity:

Father—**God**—Holy Spirit
Son

LAFF Club by Abinash & Erin

We like LAFF club because it is fun and exciting and full of joy. We also enjoy it because it is very creative—that is why people come everyday. LAFF club is now open for all ages and the leaders take very good care of the children because they make sure they have an activity to do. LAFF Club is open at lunchtimes but not when it is raining because it is outside in the mixed playground.

Everyday they have skipping ropes, hoola hoops and bouncy balls.



Firework Fun by RN

I am making a bonfire card and it is for my grandma and granddad and it is really fun.

By Abi

We have been thinking about the sounds that fireworks make and we made name rockets too. By Immy

My favourite thing today was putting silver glitter on my hands and dancing and freezing people like Elsa! By Lily

Laurie and Leo were learning about capacity. They made the amounts, full empty and half full / half empty.



Odd Socks by Elliott and Nina

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and Milverton are getting involved!

On Monday is your chance to wear odd socks to school in support of the theme 'All Different, All Equal' so you can go to the extreme (e.g. one sock on one foot and none on the other.) The reason is that we will be thinking about what makes us unique and how to value difference. How different are we all? We will soon find out...



Egyptian Dance by Wendy and Daisy

Years 3 and 4 are all doing an Egyptian dance based on four parts: the solo, the pair, the trapping and the building. It is all about the slaves and the pharaoh and at the end, we will be performing a class pyramid with different layers: some at the top, some in the middle and some at the bottom.

We also have to include facial expressions, eye contact and slow motion and every class is going to show their dance to the other classes!



Flying High By Floren

In our class we have been learning about bird's eye view. We have done a bird's eye view of the school. I have done a bird's eye view of the assembly hall and the P.E. shed and the infants building and the top playground. A bird's eye view is what a bird thinks a building looks like from the sky.

More exciting school news...

Fun in Year 1



What did you enjoy most about your learning this week?

"I liked colouring for the addition and subtraction number problems." – Isaac 1W

"Playtime!".... "but also counting to find numbers that make 10."- Sid 1W

"I loved learning about festivals this week. Especially about bonfire night and Guy Fawkes." – Tilly 1W

Mayan Madness by Cianan and Akshaj

This week, the year 5 children have been learning about the Mayans.

They have been making Mayan gods with materials like: wool, buttons, pipe cleaners and much, much more!

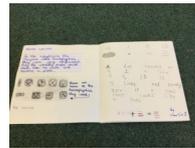
We have also learnt a bit about Mayan food. The Mayans ate corn, tomatoes, chocolate and potatoes—it was really fun and enjoyable learning about the Mayans—everyone though it was amazing!



Yum Kaax



Kinich Ahua



Mayan Gods by Scarlett and Limoni

This week we have been learning about the Mayans. We found out all about Kinich Ahau, God of sun and fire and we also learnt that the Mayan people worshipped many different gods linked to nature and astronomy, for example Yum Kaax (God of Maize.)

In Art, we even managed to recreate the Gods, making puppets like Poe, the moon goddess and Masaya, the volcano goddess.

The pyramid of Kukulcan, a temple built to honour the feathered serpent god, still stands in Chichen Itza today.

Pok-a-tok Mathc Review by Izzy and Kirpa

Pok-a-tok is a Mayan game that was played during religious festivals. The game was popular in Mexico and it originated over 3000 years ago. Today it's incredibly rare if an ancient Mayan city doesn't possess a court for pok-a-tok. The year 5 classes have been learning about the Mayans all week so we decided to have a go at the game. On the 8th November, we played a game but first we had to learn the rules. The main goal is to get the ball through the hoop but you cannot use your hands or feet. Both year 5 groups played each other but no one scored so it was a draw. It was a very good game and we learnt a lot about it.



Library Book Amnesty

Are you having a pre Christmas clear out? Any school library books can be put in the big, pink box outside the Junior School Library, no questions asked! Any other children's book donations (in good condition) are always gratefully received. Thanks for your support.

Bags for Schools Clothes Collection

Your child will be bringing home a bag from school to fill up with all of your unwanted clothes. This is a great opportunity for a pre-Christmas clear out!!

Below is a list of what you **can** put in the bags:

Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing, Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around), Handbags, Hats, Bags, Scarves and ties, Jewellery, Lingerie, Socks, Belts, Soft toys, Household linen, Curtains, Towels & Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

They **DO NOT** accept:

Duvets and blankets, Pillows and cushions, Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats), Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing, School uniforms with and without logo, Corporate clothing and work wear, Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.

They will be collecting on **Wednesday 22nd November** please **DO NOT** bring the bags in before this as we do not have the facility to store them. Thank you!



Food For Life Roast Dinner Day

Enjoy the tastiest food made from fresh, natural ingredients!

Wednesday 15th November

Red Tractor British Chicken Joint or Fillet with Fruity Stuffing and Gravy or (v) Chef's Omelette made with Local Free Range Eggs

Crispy Roast Potatoes
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables

Syrup Sponge and Custard or Cheddar Cheese and Biscuits with English Apple Wedges

educaterers A FOOD STORY SOIL AWARDS the NUTRI GANG



Fomps Upcoming Events

Autumn Term

Thursday 30th Nov – Cheese & wine night (Confirmed)

Wednesday 15th Dec – Christmas Cinema night

Friday 22nd Dec – Merry Milverton Christmas Market



Congratulations to our 'Star Learners' this week



Ben
Matthew
Jake
Thomas
Sani
Issy
Esther
Joe
Charlie
Sam



Part-Time Jobs

We are looking for a lunchtime supervisor 6.25 hours per week.
 We are looking for a new member for our site team to clean after school. 10 Hours per week.
 Please ask at office for more details.

Stepping Stones Pre school and Nursery are seeking to appoint an Early Years Practitioner to join our friendly team for 10 months to cover a staff member on Maternity leave, flexible hours in the region of 16 hours per week, term-time only, starting January 2018. Qualifications desirable. For further information, please e-mail info@claverdonsteppingstones.com or phone 01926 843353 for an application form.

New Lunch menu

Our three week lunch menu is now available on the website . This menu runs from November until April. Please see the button at the bottom of the home page.

E Safety News From Mr Geddes

Social Media Support

If you would like to learn more about how to help keep your child safe using popular social networking apps and websites, the following website has fantastic guidance that can be followed simply and effectively:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/social-media-guides>

The advice will enable you to help and your child to control the content that they see, and protect themselves as they use these services in the future. This link is also on our school website, under 'Parents— E-Safety'.

Broadband Filtering and Parental Controls

Did you know that four major broadband providers – BT, Virgin, TalkTalk and Sky – have built-in content control, allowing you to effectively manage many of the things that your child can see and do online? The following website has a fantastic tool for guiding you through this process step by step: <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/interactive-guide/>. This link is also on our school website, under 'Parents— E-Safety'.

E Safety Competitions



Superhero Challenge

Warwickshire ICTDS need you to design and make (if possible) an Online Safety Superhero and we are asking all KS1 pupils in Warwickshire to help us with this challenge!

Your Superhero needs to be original, drawn by hand or produced digitally and/or handmade. As all Superheroes have a name we would like you to give them a suitable Online Safety Superhero **NAME** and tell us about their Online Safety Superhero **POWER!**

If you make your Superhero take a photograph of your Superhero or post it to us (although it may be a while before we can return them). Your teacher has all of the details and the best Superhero from each school will be entered into the competition.

PRIZE!!!

There is a prize of **£100** for the winning school and the deadline for entries is **Friday 12th January 2018**.
Winners notified on 6th February 2018 - SID2018 Good Luck!

Safer Internet Day Competition 2018



Warwickshire ICTDS would like all Warwickshire pupils at key stage 2 to write a blog or newsletter item around the Safer Internet Day theme:

'Create, Connect and Share Respect. A better internet starts with you.'

We would like you to tell us what you think would make the internet a better place and what you would like your friends, teachers, parents, the internet companies (like Facebook, Snapchat, Minecraft etc) to do, to help you stay happy and safe online!!

There is a limit of 500 words, but you can include images and video (not essential).

Your teachers will hold an internal competition to pick out the one entry for your school. They have full details.

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