



Milverton News

Coming up next week

Monday	Parent Forum @ 3.30pm
Tuesday	Forest Schools Apple Class FOMPS Xmas Wreaths
Wednesday	Swimming Y1/2 Wilde Creatures EYFS Christmas Performance EYFS Christmas Performance
Thursday	Y5/6 Football tournament
Friday	Y4 Family Lunch Celebration Assembly

FOMPS Festive Carol Singing

Save the date for our first FOMPS Festive Carol Singing fundraiser
Thursday 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.



Diary Dates

Mon 10th Dec	Roaming Nativity, 2.15pm, Cherry, Pear, Apple Class
Tue 11th Dec	EYFS Christmas Art Day
Wed 12th Dec	Y3/4/5/6 Wizard of Oz
Thurs 13th Dec	Roaming Nativity 4pm
Fri 14th Dec	Class Assembly Ash
Tue 18th Dec	Christmas @ St Mark's
Wed 19th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Wed 19th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Thurs 20th Dec	FOMPS Carol Singing
Fri 21st Dec	Merry Milvertonians
Fri 21st Dec	Term Ends

Hockey Heroes

On a very windy, rainy and cold Wednesday, the mighty Milvertonians took on 13 other schools in a hockey tournament at NLS. Despite our valiant efforts, our first matches were nil-nil until our super striker Sam scored our first goal set up from Zak. Unfortunately, the next games remained nil-nil until our last matches when a charging Charlie scored a winning goal and, as the skies opened to a downpour of torrential rain, we rained goals on our opponents winning 6-0 from Sam and Lexie. Sadly, we did not get through to the final but the rain never dampened the children's smiles. Well done Sam, Charlie, Oskar, Zak, Aydin, Lexie, Maddie, Meredith and Elliot.



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.



A Fond Farewell

We are very sad to announce we will be losing two of our valued teachers in the new year .

Firstly, after Christmas Mrs Alison, our music specialist, will be leaving the school. Mrs Alison has been with us for the past year teaching children right across the school and has brought a passion for music and singing. She has raised the expectations of what children can achieve both in their musical talents and their singing ability, reviving the school choir. She is taking on more hours at one of the other schools she works at and is sad to be leaving our Milverton community. We wish her well as she moves on.

Secondly, we are really sad to be losing one of our long standing teaching staff members. Mrs Clark-Hall will be leaving us in February, as she embarks on a new challenge looking to travel to lands afar seeking out adventurous escapades. We will be wishing her good luck and bon voyage in February. We now begin the process of trying to find a replacement teacher to fill the huge hole she will leave.

Cross Country Superstars

The cross country event at Priory Park on Saturday marked the end of the Year 6 Cross Country Mid-Warwickshire League. Well done to all of the children that took part!

Priory Park was a tough hilly course but every runner gave it their very best. Our top 20 finishers were Izzy, who finished in 6th position, and Bella, who came 20th for the girls. In the boys race, Sam B came 3rd and Jesse came 6th. In this race, the boys finished in 3rd position overall and the girls were 5th.



The results have been collated for the whole league and overall the boys came in 7th place (out of 13 schools) and the girls were 3rd (out of 9 schools). Imogen, who ran in every race, came in 10th position out of all of the girls who took part - great running! Also, a big well done to Izzy, Sam and Jesse who finished in the top 6 in every race that they ran in.

Thank you to all of the parents who have supported their children in getting them to the events and cheering them on and to Mrs Smith, Mrs Clark-Hall, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Jones and Mr Foulerton who have helped at the events.

Who are the premises committee and what do we do?

The premises committee are a group of governors concerned with the building and grounds of Milverton School, as well as the health, safety and welfare of everyone using our school. Our group consists of 2 elected parent governors, a co-opted governor (who isn't a parent), 2 teacher governors (1 co-opted and 1 elected) and a head teacher. The premises committee look at lots of different areas, particularly around the safety and development of school and it's website, most recently things like the playground development and Bish Bash Bosh pod. We also make sure our food meets the standards and that children and parent's voices are heard. Over the coming year we will be particularly looking at the school council and parent forums, continuing to monitor that school is safe and meeting the requirements for things like fire, health and safety and developing a plan for on-going building developments. It will be a busy year!

Safeguarding

As the weather becomes colder, please, please send your child to school with a coat and in appropriate clothing. Many children have come to school and are freezing cold at play and lunch because they do not have appropriate dress. Thank you for your continued support.

House point Scores

Arden	Jephson	Charlecote	Newbold
1574	1619	1543	1502

Congratulations to our 'Star Learners' this week

- Hazel
 - Willow
 - Cherry
 - Apple
 - Pear
 - Elm
 - Pine
 - Maple
 - Chestnut
 - Oak
 - Ash
- Neve
 - Harry
 - Luke
 - Samson
 - Oakley
 - Freya
 - Nahir
 - Lettie
 - Florence
 - Esther
 - Sihan





Parent Forum

We would like to invite everyone, who is able to attend, to the parent forum. I have drawn up a few simple agenda points but if there is something additional you would like discussed please drop me an email on head2606@welearn365.com. We will meet in Mrs Belmega's/Mrs Jackson's classroom in the Year 5/6 area. If you would like to attend, once the children have left the building, please enter through the red Year 5/6 doors. If you would like children to be looked after, please collect them as normal and then bring with you to the classroom and we will take them to WAM club for the duration of the meeting.

Brief Agenda:

- Reading Passports and Poetree Book
- Playground consultation
- Communication

Notices



We warmly invite you to join us for our Christmas Services

Sunday 16th December - 6.00pm
Traditional Carol Service
followed by mulled wine and mince pies

Monday 24th December - Christmas Eve
4.00pm **Christingle**
11.00pm **Midnight Communion**

Tuesday 25th December - Christmas Day
10.00am **All age Holy Communion**
(bring a toy to tell us about!)

At this busy time of year, why not take a moment to pause and reflect on the birth of a baby whose life and death changed the world.
Come and worship him.

Everyone welcome.

Jo Parker (Vicar)



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Protect your vehicle, Secure your belongings.

It only takes a moment to become a victim of vehicle crime.

You are less likely to become a victim of vehicle crime in Warwickshire than in many other counties but this is no consolation if your phone, wallet, handbag or satellite navigation equipment is taken and your vehicle damaged in the process.

Schools can sometimes be a soft target for vehicle crime with parents and visitors making brief visits and leaving their vehicle vulnerable.

Here is what you can do to help prevent these crimes:

- Never leave anything on view
- Take audio and sat nav equipment with you
- Never leave the car with the engine running, or the keys in the ignition
- Fit self-locking screws to prevent number plates being stolen
- Always lock your car and fully close windows and sunroofs
- Check your door handles to make sure it's locked
- Fit anti-theft devices to steering wheels, fuel caps and wheels
- Park in a safe place or a secure car park
- Never leave your mobile phone behind when leaving the car
- Don't keep vehicle documents in the car

Remember to report all crime to the Police.

For security advice and guidance contact WES Safety and Premises on 01926 412440.

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





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FOMPS

FRIENDS OF MILVERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



Tuesday 4th December 2018
7.30pm - 9.30pm
at Milverton Primary School Hall

Impress friends, family, neighbours and your postman by making your own eco-friendly mossed, foliated wreath!

A friendly and festive tutorial by local, City & Guild qualified, florist.

£15 pp to include:

- main wreath making materials, class demonstration, welcome mulled wine, festive nibbles and take home wreath.

BOOK/BUY TICKETS FROM FOMPS - Kate Beckingsale, Gill Hayton or Clare Stokes, or leave clearly named envelopes with correct cash /cheques at **SCHOOL OFFICE**.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE.



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Sunday 2nd December 2018

MEET AT THE CLOCK TOWER IN JEPHSON GARDENS

There'll be entertainment and activities from 2pm where you can meander around the gardens to find hidden delights before gathering back at the Clock Tower for some traditional carol singing.

Drop into one of our workshops in November to make your lantern or collect a pack from BID Leamington; 35c Park Court, Park Street Leamington Spa.

Check website below for full details.

For more information on workshop dates & times, or how you can get involved as a supporter or volunteer please call 01926 470 634, email info@bidleamington.com or visit the website.

www.leamingtonlanternparade.co.uk

IN SUPPORT OF TELFORD PLAY SCHOOL

IT'S POSSIBLY NORTH LEAMINGTON'S FINEST DAD BAND

"Nowhere near as bad as I thought you'd be"

CHARLIE AND THE MILVERTONES

"I almost recognised that one"

LIVE AT LILLINGTON CLUB

LIME AVENUE, LEAMINGTON SPA, CV32 7DA

8TH DECEMBER 2018

7:30 P.M. 'TIL LATE

TICKETS £7.00 FROM TELFORD PLAYSCHOOL OR ON THE DOOR



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.