



MILTON COURT NEWS

We are Safe. We are Loved. We are Learning. We are Proud.

Friday 13th October 2017

Have you been reading at home? Please remember we are asking you and your child to read at least 4 times a week and record this in their journals.

Express Events:

EYFS Monday 16th October: Nursery - 11am Reception—2pm

Year 1 and 2 Thursday 19th October - 2pm

Year 3 and 4 Thursday 19th October - 2pm

Year 5 and 6 Wednesday 18th October - 2pm

TERM 1 DIARY DATES:

Attendance and Registration Presentations

Tuesday 17th October 9-10am

Wednesday 18th October 2-3pm

Tuesday 31st October 5:30-6:20pm

Macmillan Cancer Care Non-Uniform Day (Donations up to £1)

Wednesday 18th October

Fish and Chips End of Term Dinner

Thursday 19th October

End of Term 1 for children

Thursday 19th October

INSET day

Friday 20th October

HALF TERM

Monday 23rd-Friday 27th October

Term 2 begins

Monday 30th October

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE!

Stars of the week!

6	<p>Emily G—A brilliant first week at Milton Court, including some great scores in her practice SATs tests.</p> <p>Ainaras J—Being the first person to meet his AR target. Well done !</p>
5	<p>Michelle K—Has improved her behaviour for learning, modelling high standards in her work and listening to all in Year 5.</p> <p>Nicholas H—A sustained effort in Maths and Literacy all week. Nicholas's presentation has improved and he is taking on extra learning.</p>
4	<p>Brooke Y—For writing and excellent information paragraph using conjunctions and objectives.</p> <p>Samuel F—For using conjunctions to extend and add detail to his sentences.</p>
3	<p>Beau Y—For some really pleasing independent writing.</p> <p>Deimante S— For working really hard on adding and subtracting with money.</p>
2	<p>Louis-James H — For trying really hard in his Literacy this week.</p> <p>Tristan R—For trying really hard in Literacy this week.</p>
1	<p>Ella-Joy L—For working hard in Literacy and learning difficult technical terms. Amazing effort!</p> <p>Jack W—For making a constant effort to improve his reading by reading at home each day.</p>
R	<p>Emma G—For growing in confidence in all of learning.</p> <p>Kieran S—For amazing communication and attention in both child and adult-led learning.</p>
N	<p>Scarlett E—For settling really quickly into our morning routine. Scarlett tries really hard to always do the right thing.</p> <p>Molly F—For coming into Nursery with a smile and settling straight into an activity well done.</p>

SQUAD POINTS!

HORSA- 2875

HENGIST- 3173

NORWODE- 2435

PERIWINKLE- 3112

ATTENDANCE

Whole school for the week is 96.36%

Well done to Year 6 with 97.7% this week!

PUNCTUALITY PUPPY IS REALLY PLEASED WITH YEAR 3 FOR BEING ONLY 3 MINUTES LATE THIS WEEK.

News from around the school...

This week we looked at the story of 'The Foggy Foggy Forest' where we looked at different shapes and tried to work out what they were. We looked at silhouettes of animals and learnt to give reasons about why they were certain animals by using the word 'because'. We came up with some very good reasons and used lots of descriptive language.

Next week we are finishing off our topic of 'Will you read me a story' with the book 'A Child of Books' which incorporates lots of different characters into one story. The illustrator has used an interesting way of adding words to his pictures which we will be exploring as the week goes on. Our Express Event is on Monday, we will have hot chocolate and snacks along with lots of books to share. It would be lovely to see you all.

Please remember to bring your child's coat to school, the weather is getting colder and we do spend a lot of time outside. If you have any questions or queries then please just ask!

This week we continued our theme of 'Tradition Tales' with Little Red Riding Hood. Whilst exploring the story we spoke about 'stranger danger' in relation to Little Red Riding Hood talking to the wolf on her way to Grandma's. We explored what to do if a stranger tries to talk to us and who are the safe adults in our lives. In maths we explored counting actions. We listened really hard and counted claps and followed instructions to a game of Simon Says with numbers. We really enjoyed this game. Maybe you could play it at home?

In phonics we have been learning a lot of new sounds. We now know: s, a, t, p, i, n, d, o, c, k, g!! We know what the sound is and the hand movement that goes along with it. Ask us to show you at home. We have also learnt the tricky words: and, no, go, not, can. Now that we have learnt a few sounds we are working on putting them together in order to read three letter words. We still need practice at this but we are getting there!

Reading folders are going home on Friday. Inside the folder you will find: a book, a reading record, information about reading at home, and letter cards. The letter cards are to support you with practicing known sounds. More sounds and words will be added as we cover them in class. We hope you enjoy reading at home.

Don't forget our express event on Monday at 2:00pm! This will be an opportunity to explore a range of books with your child whilst enjoyed some hot chocolate and snacks. We look forward to seeing you then.

Year one have had a fantastic week learning actively, inside and outside of the classroom, how to construct a super sentence. They have worked hard to learn different terms of grammar and what they mean. Using this information they have built a super sentence.

In maths we have continued to investigate number bonds to ten. We have used addition and subtraction this week with numbers up to 15. The children are using ten frames and counters to support their learning.

During PE we have worked on our ball skills looking at hand eye coordination, through improving our throwing and catching. In science we have continued to investigate materials, looking at which materials are magnetic.

Thankyou for your on going support with reading at home, please can you sign the reading record book each time your child reads to someone at home.

I hope you have all had a good week as we have in year 2. This week we got to describe real slime that was left in our kitchen - yuk! We also have made our superhero masks which look fantastic.

Next week in our literacy lessons we shall be looking at bad instructions that Professor Slime left for us this week and turning them all into good instructions. We shall act out the new good instruction to show the rest of the class how to be a good ambassador for our school, then writing some of these into sentences.

In our maths we shall be using partitioning to help us add as well as doing some addition problem solving toward the end of the week.

During our topic lessons we shall be tasting some new foods and making a smoothie. (A letter went home about this earlier in the week but if you need a new one then the office has a copy).

Also, don't forget our Superhero Express Event is on Thursday at 2pm. Your children can come into school as a superhero all day.

I hope you have a good week.
Mrs Hall. :)

In year 3 we have been busy looking at the different food groups and are going to put down all we have learnt into a non-chronological report. We have tried hard solving addition and subtraction involving money and next week will be looking at measuring. The dance is getting there, we only have a few more seconds to complete and hopefully we will be able to show you all what we have done next week at our Express Event. Remember that this is next Thursday at 14.00! In our topic we will be planning our very own sweets and then trying hard to make them out of different materials.

Thank you to all who have been reading at home with your children, the number who are reading 4x is growing but we need to ensure that every child is doing this. Please write in what they read and how they have got on in their reading. Tables and bonds test will be Thursday next week as we have a staff development day!

Looking forward to seeing you all next Thursday at our Express Event.

Year 4 have had a fun week this week. We have practising the song "Food, glorious food" to perform to parents on our Express Event.

This will be on Thursday 19th October at 2pm. Next week the children will continue focusing on writing a non-chronological report about the five food groups.

In maths we will be looking at formal methods of addition and subtraction and investigating the relationship between them. Finally, can I remind parents, to sign the children's green reading records if you have read with your child.

This week year 5 finished their Day of the Dead stories and have shifted their literacy learning to Non-Chronological reports.

In maths we have been using our addition and subtraction skills to some multi-step problem solving. This has been challenging but Upper Key Stage 2 mathematics is about developing reasoning skills.

In topic we have been going back to the time of the Mayans to get to understand some of the ways they understood the world. The children have built their own symbolic calendars and been translating the Mayan number system.

We have been practicing the Mexican hat dance in P.E. getting ready for the Express event next week.

This week we have completed practice SATs tests in reading, arithmetic, reasoning, punctuation and grammar and spelling. We have all worked very hard on them and remained completely focussed during all the tests.

When we weren't being tested, we were looking at using formal methods of division and using those skills to solve different problems. During our arithmetic sessions we have been looking at rounding numbers, including decimals. Please remember to have PE kits in schools every day. When we did PE on Wednesday, there were 7 children without kit.

By Alberts