



# MILTON COURT NEWS

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Monday 14th November 2016



**ARE YOU ONE OF THE REMAINING FEW MISSING OUT ON MARVELLOUS ME?**

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### DIARY DATES:

#### Tuesday 15th November

PTFA Annual General Meeting 2pm

#### Friday 18th November

Children in Need Non-Uniform day  
'Wear your spots!'

#### Wednesday 23rd November

Reports sent home

#### Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th November

Parent Teacher meetings

#### Monday 5th December

School Book Fair begins!

#### Tuesday 13th December

Christmas Church service

#### Wednesday 14th December

Christmas lunch

#### Friday 16th December

Ks2 Swallows Panto trip

#### Tuesday 20th December

EYFS/Ks1 Kemsley Panto trip

## Stars of the week!

Year 6	Brogan H - For working really hard in all lessons particularly literacy. Tommy C - For being really positive in his learning this week.
Year 5	Charlie S - For superb improvements to behaviour and excellent effort in his work. Joshua J - For excellent effort in every lesson, very impressive work.
Year 4	Shakira W - For including different persuasive devices in her writing. Ray D - Working hard in maths all week.
Year 3	Grace J - Showing determination in English to find exciting adjectives. Darius L - Continuing to work hard in maths aspiring to improve his knowledge using division.
Year 2	Mollie L-D - Working very hard on fractions this week in maths. Leroy S - writing a plan for his own story in literacy this week.
Year 1	Nathaniel G - For always being resilient in all areas of his work. Mason B - For trying very hard and being resilient with a positive attitude towards his learning.
Year R	Keenen W - Showing great teamwork and always willing to help his friends. Bella C - Lovely letter formation and always setting a great example.

*Have you changed phone numbers or moved address recently?*

**Please make sure the school office has your new contact details on record in case of emergencies.**



# BE A HERO READ!

**GUIDED READING AT MILTON COURT INTERPRETATION**

Can you explain and discuss the ideas in books?

What are your opinions? Why do you think that?

Deduction—finding clues in the text

Inference—using the clues to make suggestions

Prediction— What do you think will happen and why?

## SQUADS @ MILTON COURT

**NORWODE 828**

**PERIWINKLE 1129**

**HORSA 1241**

**HENGIST 884**

## Attendance

**Our whole school target is 96%**

**You must ensure your child is in school everyday to ensure they have the best opportunities and life chances.**

**Well done to Year 5 for achieving 96.10% attendance this week.**

**That is a fantatsic effort. Keep it up!**

# News from around the school...

Last week was great fun. We learnt new nursery rhymes, had lots of fun reading along with 'Peace at Last' and on Friday we went to Kemsley to see a planetarium. It was a lot of fun and the children behaved amazingly.

This week we are reading Owl Babies' and thinking about nocturnal animals. Who is awake when we are tucked up asleep in bed?

Thank you to all of the parents who are logging into Tapestry and Marvellous Me, it is lovely to share our learning and news with you all.

Another week exploring the wonders of space culminated in an amazing trip to a 'planet tent' where we got to lay under the stars and learn all about the wonders of our solar system! Having read 'Aliens Love Underpants' as our book of the week, we decided to make our own aliens...they look fantastic and we are really looking forward to having them up in the EYFS entrance.

We will be continuing with our space theme for the next few weeks and are hoping to make spaceships out of cardboard boxes. If you have cardboard going spare, then do bring it in! Thank you.

We arrived in school on Monday to find our bear, sent from the Queen, had gone! We then received an email from him telling us he was lost in London and all he could tell us is that he was in a very tall building made of glass. We researched buildings in London, looked at maps, found different modes of transport our bear could use and even made a 'missing' poster. We wrote about a day in London, what we would see, where we would go and how we would get around London. Finally we heard from the bear and he made it Buckingham Palace and is safe.

This week we have been finding different ways to answer addition number problems. We used objects, pictures, jottings and number lines to find the answers.

Year 2 have had a fantastic week learning about London. In literacy, all pupils have produced some amazing narratives about a trip to London! They should all be so proud of their writing.

In Maths pupils have been learning to find fractions of numbers using resources. In Art this week, pupils have been making Big Ben using different materials. Year 2 also enjoyed another session with the FA coach this week. They practised their dribbling and passing skills!

Well done to everyone in year 3! You all worked really hard writing your fantasy narratives about travelling through the dangers of the digestive system and they have made for very exciting reading.

Next week in English we will be investigating idioms such as 'the cat got your tongue' and finding out how to use them to create the best effect when writing.

In maths we are going to continue to delve into formal ways of recording and working with multiplication and division and improving our skills.

In topic we will be looking at making the digestive system. Therefore, if you have any newspaper we would be grateful if you could bring it into school, thank you!

This week we have started looking at the different parts of the body involved with the digestive system and what they do. We've learnt their names and when they are in our bodies.

During our literacy lessons we have been learning how to write persuasively and have written letters to the younger children to persuade them to look after their teeth.

In our maths lessons we have been learning about reflection and mirror lines. We started by reflecting over a horizontal, vertical or diagonal mirror line. We then went on to find lines of symmetry in various shapes.

Year 5 have had a SUPERB week.

We started the week reading and sharing The Call of the Wild. It was a much more difficult text to tackle, but the children showed no fear and pure bravery! We used this text to pick apart the detailed description of the setting, to help improve how our own stories might start. By the end of the week the children could tackle Great Expectations, Pride and Prejudice and other English Classics without a glimmer of bewilderment. We wrote our own story openers on Friday and they blew my mind! Nojus's started 'By the waters, to the side of the Kremlin'. I was desperate to read on. Many of the children wrote truly capturing pieces of great literature.

We made our own Adaptation PowerPoints. First we watched a clip from the incredible Planet Earth 2 and learnt how animals adapt to their environments. The PowerPoints we so detailed and imaginative, they are displayed in our corridor display. If you pass through the school be sure to check it out.

In PSHE we watched part of the USA election. We held a debate and the children were very knowledgeable and diplomatic. I was seriously impressed with the way they handled answers and shared opinions. I am certain we have some budding politicians in our midst.

As if that wasn't enough good news! We sketched penguins! Ever sketch was EXCEPTIONAL. Perfect shading, perfect copies with unique edges. Your children are truly gifted artists.

We won WALK ON WEDNESDAY! And for the fifth week in a row Year 5 have won the Attendance Award! Massive thank you, to all of you wonderfully supportive parents. Year 5 feel like WINNERS.

I hope you have all had a good week! We certainly have in year 6, although it's getting colder! With that in mind, can I remind you to send your children in with a coat and perhaps some warmer PE clothes for the next couple of months please.

This week in literacy we are learning all about the famous explorer, 'Robert Falcon Scott'. We shall research about him and then write a diary entry from his point of view during his final week. In numeracy we shall have another SATs practice test and will be learning about the volume of shapes. In our arithmetic lessons, our focus will be on prime numbers, squared numbers and cubed numbers.

In topic we shall be doing Inuit block printing, writing tundra food webs and much more. Can I remind you of the importance of doing the spelling practice as part of homework and that this is completed on a weekly basis.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of those that took part in any way to raise money for the Royal British Legion and Poppy Day. A particular thank you also to those members of year 6 that represented the school at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Sunday!