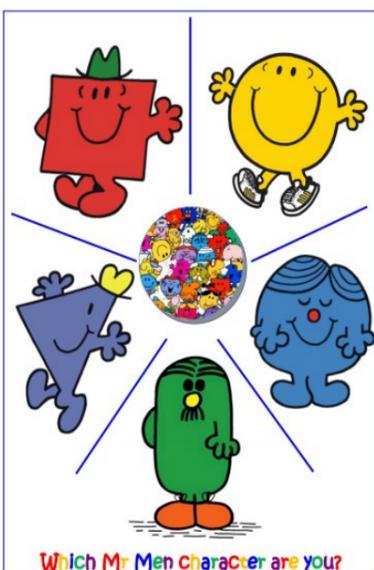




MILTON COURT NEWS

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

Monday 23rd January 2017



Which Mr Men character are you?

The 7 habits of Effective Leadership

Each of the Mr Men have strengths and things that they find more challenging. As we build our knowledge of the 7 habits we'll also build our understanding of how our default personality drivers can make some habits easier than others for different people. Check the Mr Men information on our website !



Last week I was very lucky to be able to take some children from the school singing group to the O2, to take part in the Young Voices event. This year we sang 15 songs with 7130 other children, from schools all over the South East, singing together to create one of the biggest children's choirs. This takes a lot of resilience and dedication. The children have attended choir each week and since Christmas given up some lunchtimes to practice songs learning words and actions. I was incredibly proud of their performance, attitude and the contribution they made to the Young Voices concert 2017. Well done! Mrs Slark.

Stars of the week!

6	Tommy C – For having really good attitude to work, particularly through reading. Megan D - For having a really good attitude to work, particularly in maths.
5	Nathan B – For supreme resilience during lots of tests this week. Charlie S – Supreme resilience during lots of tests this week.
4	Lee M – Fantastic effort during Numeracy lessons this week. Chelsey J – Putting her hand up and answering questions more frequently this week.
3	Alfie S – Excellent Maths work for place value challenge. Callum J – Excellent detective in Maths.
2	Kostas G – For working very hard in Numeracy this week. Paige W – For working hard in all lessons this week
1	Mason M – Beginning to work much harder on following instructions in school every day. Alicia H - Using her sharing skills to find half of different amounts independently.
R	Briana P– For being really independent and making lots of new friends. Keiran W – For trying really hard with his writing in the morning projects.

DIARY DATES:

Thursday 26th January

PTFA Coffee afternoon and used uniform sale

Monday 6th February

Year 1 and 2 Bounce trip

Tuesday 7th February

Year R 'The foods I like' workshop

Monday 6th February

Express events this week

Wednesday 8th February

Dogs Trust workshops

Friday 10th February

NURSERY PARENTS STAY AND READ EVERY MONDAY

Mrs Quenault is running stay read sessions for parents and children in nursery until 9.30am every Monday.

Come along and listen to the story of the week and then choose another to read with your child.

All nursery children and parents welcome—even if Monday morning is not your normal session!



BE A HERO READ!

GUIDED READING AT MILTON COURT INTERPRETATION

Can you make a prediction about what will happen next?

What are the clues you are using? Why would that be an interesting journey for the story?

SQUADS @ MILTON COURT

Periwinkle 3766 Hengist 3309

Norwode 3017 Horsa 3647

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.

Years 3 and 4 topped the list with 92%. We all need to build our resilience and make sure we get into school everyday.

News from around the school...

We read a book about an exciting bus last week; not only did it go on an adventure off the normal route but it also kept getting bigger. It ended up 100 decks tall—we decided that was a very big number! When the bus broke down the adventure didn't end, a man in a hot air balloon asked if they needed a lift and off they went again!

This week we are reading about a girl called Dot. We are finding out about what she likes to do before discussing our favourite things to do. We might find some new ideas to try and some new favourites!

Don't forget to check The e-stry, we are always uploading new things to see. If you haven't downloaded Marvellous Me yet please do as it lets us share lots of learning throughout the day. If you need reminding of your log on details, please just ask.

We're always available for a chat if you have any worries or questions.

N

This week in Acorns we have been reading the book, 'Chicken Clicking' which is all about the mysterious virtual world of the internet. A little Chick decides she is going to buy a present for all of her friends on the farm and soon she has got them all away with their new toys...Chick decides to find a few friends on the internet, who turns out not to be a friend at all, but a dangerous fox! We have been learning about internet safety and how the internet can be amazing but also needs to be treated with caution. You could continue this conversation with your children at home that would be amazing.

A little reminder that Love to Learn books come home on a Friday with an activity for the weekend. If you could check for these and bring them back before the following Friday that would be great!

Thank you.

R

We began this week by finding a golden ball, it belonged to a princess!

This was from the story 'The Frog Prince'; we listened to the story, we then became one of the characters and retold the story using puppets. We made a prediction about how the story may end, we re-wrote the beginning, middle and then end changing the character and setting.

This week we have been using music to know what to do; we had to decide which music would be best to listen to during which sport and why.

In maths we have been focusing on halves. We looked at halves of shapes and pictures and half an amount. The children have become very good at sharing between two and cutting objects in half.

Y1

Year 2 have had a fantastic week! In Literacy, we wrote a detailed leaflet about 'Soar' the trampoline park which we will be visiting on our school trip.

In maths we have been developing our methods of multiplication and division. In science we performed a test using various equipment.

All the children should be so proud of the work they have produced!

Y2

The children enjoyed last week investigating how to make and improve their own spinners. Next week in DT we are moving on to create our own metal work jewellery.

In literacy we will be writing diary entries putting ourselves in the character of Eowyn in 'The Iron Man' and thinking about his feelings and actions when he actually meets the Iron Man.

In numeracy we are going to practise adding and subtracting money and thinking about money in a practical sense when we work out how much change we will receive.

Y3

This week Year 4 have been focusing on writing diary entries. We looked at the reason for a diary and decided that they were used to record information about important events and the writer's thoughts and feelings about them. We then looked at the important key features such as writing in the past tense, writing in the first person and using time connectives. Our final task was to write a diary entry based on 'The Best Day at School Ever!'

During maths we have been looking at 2 money areas—decimals and fractions. Our decimal work has consisted of working out where a decimal number would go on a blank number line and explaining our answer based on our knowledge of place value. When using fractions we have been working out the fraction of an amount of money.

Y4

We have been learning all about prime numbers and prime factors. We have written our own Expressionist Nonet poems, which are completely brilliant! They capture a certain emotion and depict it in several different ways.

Year 5 are loving PE at the moment. They have had some brilliant games lessons where we have seen some superb leadership skills.

In Science we have been getting excited about light and shadows. We now know the difference between something that is opaque, transparent and translucent.

We are growing stronger as a class every day as we learn more and more about diversity; how children think, act and learn differently. We are becoming more and more accepting of these differences and using them to strengthen our school relationships.

Well done Year 5! You are all superb!

Y5

Another week gone already...it seems to be going very quickly this term! We made some amazing art during last week, including some Monet work as well as abstract cubism!

This week, we will be doing some more SATS practise testing, just to keep our minds fresh and challenged. Alongside that, we will be looking at the 'cut up' effect in literacy, using it to make our own versions of a new rhyme or poem. It will start to unfold as the week goes on.

In arithmetic we shall be continuing to look at multiplying decimals, as well as looking at how to divide decimals.

In our topic, we will be welcoming the PE teacher back for another lesson linked to balancing and patterns which year 6 are really looking forward to. We will also be looking at adding more art to our sketch books, looking at even more styles and artists. As well as that, we will be doing a Science experiment looking into the science of colour and what colours really make up each one. This will be a test of knowledge as well as science and is really exciting!

Can I just remind you to ensure year 6 have their PE kits in every day so that they don't miss out on these opportunities. Thank you. Have a good week!

Y6