



MILTON COURT NEWS

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

Thursday 19th 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:

Thank you to all Parents and family members who have attended our events this term! The children are always so excited and proud to see you in school and to share their learning with you!

TERM 1 DIARY DATES:

Attendance and Registration Presentations

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

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!

Tuesday 31st October

Halloween Disco and Tea Party

Friday 3rd November

Stars of the week!

6	Mia S—Positive attitude to all of her work this term. Nojus E—Positive attitude to all of his work this term.
5	Lee M—Has given 100% effort to his learning throughout the whole term. Amie W—Has a positive attitude to her learning and is always ready to offer her great ideas particularly in Literacy.
4	Jayla M—For reading her book everyday and trying her best in her AR tests. Jaida N-L—For writing a detailed opening paragraph for her non-chronological report.
3	Crystal S—Working really well using arrays for division and multiplication. Amy B—Working brilliantly on her reading both at home and at school. She has passed her target with a great average.
2	Maddison E—For a really positive attitude and always trying her best in all lessons. Nate G—For great home learning throughout Term 1.
1	Tiffany-Blu E—Working hard in Maths and listening when sitting on the carpet. Savannah O—Working hard at home to read everyday.
R	Riley S—For his positive and resilient approach to improving his writing. Armandas S—Increasing confidence in class activities and communication when talking about a book.
N	Ethan W—Ethan has been a really good friend this week looking after people when they need cheering up. Inci B—Inci has settled really well into Nursery and tries really hard to follow our routines. Well done Inci!

SQUAD POINTS!

HORSA- 3467

HENGIST- 3731

NORWODE- 2951

PERIWINKLE- 3727

ATTENDANCE

**Whole school for the week is 93%
Well done to Year 6 with 97.1% this week!**

PUNCTUALITY PUPPY IS REALLY PLEASED WITH YEAR 1 AND 6 FOR BEING ONLY 0 MINUTES LATE THIS WEEK.

News from around the school...

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our first express event of the year. It was great to speak to you all and share some of our favourite activities.

This week we finished off our topic 'Will you read me a story?' with the book 'A child of books'. The illustrator has used words to build up parts of the picture. We had fun working out how the illustrator changed the size and direction of words and letters to add detail.

Next term we are starting the topic 'Did Dragons Exist?'. What do you already know about dragons? Do you have any favourite stories that have dragons as a character? We can't wait to see what we find out in the run up to Christmas!

A quick reminder that session alteration requests should be made a week in advance. This is to allow us time to check whether we have the availability and correct staffing levels. Thank you for your understanding on this.
Have a wonderful half term and we look forward to seeing you all rested and ready for a busy new term on Monday 30th October!

This week has been a very busy week in year one and the children have continued to work very hard.

We have looked at 2d and 3d shapes in maths. On Monday we began our investigation outside finding as many shapes as we could in the playground. Moving on to sorting shapes and using our knowledge of their properties in the classroom.

In literacy we have focussed on the story Charlie and his Superhero Underpants. We have listened and retold the story in our own words and then we have applied our knew grammar knowledge to create super sentences.

PE this week we have been learning some dances, following instructions and thinking about movement.

The children have also created some amazing masks in preparation for our express event.

Thankyou for your on going support this term.

Year 3 have worked really hard this week on their non-chronological reports and using arrays for division and multiplication. We seem to have 'perfected' our dance and are all keen and eager to show parents at our express event. Well done for all the hard work this term, especially to those who regularly read at home and practice their bonds and tables each week.

Congratulations to Crystal and Maddison for getting the Golden Ticket this week for their hard work in maths.

Next term's topic entitles Gods and Mortals, where we will be looking at Ancient Greek Myths this will include; making pottery, writing diaries and narratives and looking at Ancient Greek history. May I wish you all a very enjoyable half term and thank you for your continued support.

This week year 5 have been developing their problem solving skills by looking at reasoning challenges involving multiplication. In literacy we have been getting all the different parts of our Non-Chronological Reports together ready to write them up today. The reports will present some of the knowledge the children have acquired about Mexico this term. Monday afternoon the children really impressed, with little support they collaborated in groups to make the structure of their pinatas. We were very grateful for all the parents who came to the Express event. The Children really enjoyed performing their dance and were glad of the help in sticking the pinata's multi-coloured coats on.

To end a great first term in Acorn class we focused on the story 'Jack and the Bean Stalk'. The class enjoyed pretended to be the giant and shouting 'Fi Fi Fo Fum'. We retold the story through role-play, stick puppets and ordering cards. We also explored different versions of the story including Stinky Jack and the Beanstalk. Through this book we explored our own health routines throughout the day.

In phonics we have added to the sounds we know. We know now e, u, and r. We hope you have enjoyed the reading packs that went home last weekend. Picture books will still go home over half term with word books beginning to come home after half term once children are confident in talking about what is happening in picture books.

The first week back we will be exploring Halloween and firework safety. We will follow that with a week exploring autumn. If you come across acorns and conkers feel free to bring them into school to explore.

We hope you have a fun and relaxing half term and we look forward to seeing you

Well, what a term it has been! I can't believe we have already finished term 1. We have had so much fun learning about Superheroes and think that we have learnt a great deal about different things linked to superheroes, real and fictional. The children have loved so many things, particularly the visit from a local hero - fireman Tom as well getting to try some super foods and making smoothies!

Our topic next term is 'Beat Band Boogie!' which is very music based which we are looking forward to starting when we return after the half term. We shall also be putting on a nativity play in December which will be great fun too. If you have any costumes for this then that would be great. We shall let you know more details when we come back.

I hope you have a great break and look forward to seeing you all after half term.

Mrs Hall. :)

Year 4 have had a great first term! The children have enjoyed learning about the five food groups, and reading our key text, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. This week we focused on our subtraction skills using the column method in maths and finishing off our non-chronological reports in Literacy. Our topic next term will be Gods and Mortals, centred on ancient Greece. The children will have the chance to do lots of fun and creative art activities.

In literacy we have been writing non-structured descriptive poems based around pictures of the Mexican celebration The Day of the Dead. We have worked particularly hard on this, making sure that we have used different descriptive devices including similes, metaphors and personification.

In maths we have been working through the SATs papers that we took last week, so that we could identify any mistakes that we made and then learn from them. We finished the week using BODMAS to solve multi-step problems. Some of us found it quite challenging but other's found it easy. In our topic lessons we made Mexican horns out of toilet rolls. We then used paper Mache to cover them and then painted them in bright and beautiful colours.

Thank you to all the parents who came to our Express Event. We loved showing you our interpretations of the Mexican Circle Dance and then all the work we have completed this year.

By Keira S