

Congratulations to Hawks and Turtles classes who had the best attendance last week.



Millbrook Messenger

Top Tips

Children in Need

At the end of last term we had a special visitor in school, Pudsey Bear came and met all the children to encourage everyone to take part in Children in Need fundraising this year and it certainly worked as we raised the fantastic total of £541. £306 from donations for wearing our "spotty" clothes and £235 from the sale of the amazing cakes that you all made.

Congratulations to the winners of the cake competition who were;
 Foundation stage - Maisie-Rose
 Yr 1/2 - Ellie
 Yr 3/4 - Joseph
 Yr 5/6 - Sarah



1. Phone the school by 9am if your child is ill on 872800. **If they are sick or have diarrhoea they must not return to school for 48 hours.**
2. Make a note of the diary dates. Check out the calendar on the website.
3. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school.

Diary Dates

Friday 2nd December
 Caterpillar visit to Kidz About

Wednesday 7th December
 Creative Kids trip to Hongxin

Friday 9th December
 Christmas Fete and non uniform day

Tuesday 13th December
 Infant Nativity — 10 am

Wednesday 14th December
 Infant Nativity — 2 pm

Thursday 15th December
 Christmas Lunch—wear your Christmas jumpers!

Friday 16th December
 Christmas Service at Freshbrook Church—9.15am
Last day of term school finishes at 1.15pm

Staff Training Day—Tuesday 3rd January
Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January

You are welcome to join us at our Christmas service at Freshbrook Church on Friday 16th December at 9.15am. Please stay and enjoy the refreshments kindly provided by the church after the service.

Infant Nativity—Hey Ewe!

The children in Foundation Stage and KS1 are busy rehearsing for the Infant Christmas Nativity "Hey Ewe!" The performances will take place on Tuesday 13th December at 10am and Wednesday 14th December at 2pm. You will have already received a letter with the costume requirement and the booking form for tickets.



Reminder — school finishes at 1.15pm on Friday 16th December. Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January at 8.45am

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Staying Healthy at Millbrook—Bike Training



Congratulations to the 31 children in Year 6 who recently completed their Bikeability training, run by Swindon Borough Council, here are some of the children with their certificates. We are very fortunate to have Miss Burrows who prepares the children during her bike training sessions. Recently children in The Ark have been taking part in her weekly bike training sessions and learning new cycling skills.

Last month Miss Burrows successfully completed training in Balanceability and will be helping children in Foundation Stage to learn basic skills including learning to balance on bikes without pedals, before learning to ride a traditional bike.



Millbrook Sings at Christmas

Christmas is always a time of year when the children really enjoy singing together. The Christmas choir sang at the Wyvern Theatre this week performing with children from schools around Swindon. They also entertained people at The Freshbrook Church Christmas Market last Saturday— well done to everyone in the choir. Next week children in Year 5 and 6 will be going to sing for the elderly folks who attend the open house lunch at Freshbrook Church. Every year they look forward to being entertained by the children as they enjoy their Christmas lunch.

The children are also busy rehearsing for our annual Christmas House Song Competition which takes place during the last week of term, this is a highly competitive event with guest judges choosing the winning House.



Millbrook Friends Christmas Fete - Fri 9th December

Millbrook Friends are hard at work preparing for our Christmas Fete on Friday 9th December. They can only make the fete successful with your kind donations for the tombolas. In exchange for a tombola item, we will have a **non-uniform day on Friday 9th December**. This year we are asking for the following donations:

Caterpillar/Reception- Red or green items (e.g. Maltesers, green tea, mint Aeros)

Year 1 & 2 - Toiletries

Year 3 & 4 - Chocolate or sweets

Year 5 & 6 - Bottles or jars

Please ensure all donated items are new and unused.