

Congratulations to Kites and Ladybirds classes who had the best attendance last week.



Millbrook Messenger

Top Tips



Staff News

This term we have welcomed some new members of staff. You may have come across Miss Smiles who is the Morning Hub Play Leader and a Class TA. Mr Staff is covering several classes during PPA and as an experienced SEN teacher he will also provide part time cover for The Ark.

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.

**Come and join us at the Easter Service on
Friday 7th April 9.15am
@ Freshbrook Church.**

**You are welcome to stay afterwards and
enjoy the refreshments which the church are
kindly providing.**

After School Clubs

After school clubs will start again on Tuesday 2nd May. We will inform you of the login details and the event code to sign up at the beginning of next term by email and text.

Old £5 Notes



From Friday 5th May old £5 notes will no longer be legal tender. We will not be able to accept any old notes in school after **Friday 28th April**.

Bike Shed

Please lock your child's bike with a substantial bike lock as we have had an attempted theft from the bike shed. The bike shed will now be locked when after school clubs finish at 4pm. If you need to collect your bike after this time please contact Mr Watson who will be on the school site.

Diary Dates

- Tuesday 4th April**
Vet visiting Yr 1 & 2
Antybullying workshop Yr 2–6
- Thursday 6th April**
Blue Cross assembly
Yr 3 & 4—Easter Experience
visit to Freshbrook Church.
- Friday 7th April**
Easter Service—9.15 at
Freshbrook Church
Last day of Term 4
- Children return to school on
Monday 24th April**
- Tuesday 25th—Friday 28th
April - Book Fair in the
Homebase after school**
- Monday 8th—Thursday 11th
May—KS2 SATS**
- Monday 15th—Friday 26th
May—KS1 SATS**
- Friday 26th May**
Sports Day and last day of
Term 5

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ParentPay - our new online payment service

We are pleased to announce that we will shortly be accepting payments online for items such as dinner money, after school clubs and school trips. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit or debit card. ParentPay will be our preferred method of making payments to school.

What are the benefits to parents and pupils?

- ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7
- The technology used is of the highest internet security available ensuring that your money will reach school safely - offering you peace of mind
- Payments can be made by credit/debit card or also through PayPoint
- Full payment histories and statements are available to you securely online at anytime
- Your children will not have to worry about losing money at school
- Parents can choose to be alerted when their balances are low via email and/or SMS text

What are the benefits to our school?

The more parents that use ParentPay, the greater the benefit is to our school.

You can help us reduce workloads for all staff, creating more time to lend to educational support and the smooth running of the school.

Using ParentPay also ensures that all financial transactions are safe and secure - helping us to remove costs associated with us having to manage cash securely on the school premises.

How to get started with ParentPay

We will shortly be sending you your account activation details, just follow the instructions in the letter we give you to get started with ParentPay.

If you want to find out more about ParentPay go to: www.parentpay.com/Parents

