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Pre-School: 8am - 4.30pm

FRIDAY FLYER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As I'm sure you know, we pride ourselves on being friendly and welcoming. We have an 'open door' policy and are pleased to share our school with the community. However, sometimes this causes problems. On most working days there are more than 25 staff on site, and only three toilets. We would be grateful if parents and children would make other toileting arrangements rather than using ours because it leaves us with nowhere to go! In an emergency, we are happy to share, but please don't make it the norm. Thank you.

Mr R Stead



On Monday we had Grandmaster (GM) Matthew Turner visit the school and the whole of Milverton's Bad Bishops were waiting to challenge him (and get autographs). A Grandmaster is a title awarded to chess players by the world chess organization. Apart from World Champion, Grandmaster is the highest title a chess player can attain. All the children in chess club have been training hard at home and at school. The first simultaneous match pitched 16 children and Mr Jessep against our visiting GM. Everyone had 30 minutes on their clock, and to begin with GM Matthew was almost out of puff running from board to board! However, as time went on we started racking up the losses and 20 minutes in we were down to only 7 players! 25 minutes later the score was: The Bad Bishops 0,



GM 17. Round 2 saw the might of Years 2, 3 and 4; hopes were high as some of our best players fixed their steely gaze on their games. They were further bolstered with wild cards Mr Stead and Mr Bevis. The games started well, but the GM's world class ability to play winning moves in less than 2 seconds started to take its toll! Another 25 minutes later it was all over; The Bad Bishops 0, GM 34. Finally, the GM played Adri and Finley...blindfolded! They had to say their moves to the GM using grid references, whilst he held an image of both games in his head. Just to be sure, we made him play with his back to the boards! After 20 minutes it was all over for Finley, who lost out to a blistering kingside attack. Adri fought valiantly for a further 10 minutes, but the GM showed us all his excellent use of positional play. Everybody had an amazing time, GM Matthew even gave some prizes to children for excellent play! I also noticed some riveting games and would like to say well done to Benny, Bertie, Adri, Phillippa, Daniel, Tom and Freddie who all played brilliantly.

Jamie Bevis

The Grandmaster played us all in a simultaneous display, which is when Mr Turner could play 16 opponents at a time, all on different chessboards!! Once he had beaten everybody, he went on to do something even more extraordinary...playing us blindfolded! He's even got a mini chess board in his head! Once he had soundly beaten us again, he gave us medals and we said an enormous thank you. He was so good and it was such a pleasure to see him. Thank you to Mr Bevis for organising this great opportunity!

by Adri and Finley, Year 3



Diary Dates

Monday 1st & Tues 2nd July
Bikeability

Tuesday 2nd July
Class 3 & 4 Trip to Taunton Museum
Year 6 Court Fields transition 1

Weds 3rd July
Move-up morning
Year 6 Court Fields transition 2
Year 6 Kingsmead transition day

Strawberry Fair & Meet the Teachers after school

Saturday 6th July 1.30-4.30pm
MSA Summer Fete

Monday 8th July
Class R & 1 Trip to Dunster Castle

Tuesday 9th July
Class 2 Trip to Dunster Castle

Weds 10th July
Year R Sports Festival

Thursday 11th July 6.30pm
Year 6 Play 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'

Monday 15th July at 4.45pm
Mr White's End of Year Music Concert in the hall

Tuesday 16th July
Sports Day. Parents welcome

Reception Class Teddy Bear's Picnic at 2pm

Friday 19th July
Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am
Last day of term

MAGIC FOREST FEST MONDAY 1ST JULY CLASS R & 1

Please bring natural potion ingredients (not for ingesting!), a soft toy, twigs, stick suitable for broomstick handle.

Magical fancy dress optional!
Long sleeves and legs suggested.



OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Pre-school	Ffion for a fantastic week using the toilet all by herself.
Class R	Harry J for super effort and excellent ideas in his independent writing all week!
Class 1	Jasmine for her beautiful handwriting and excellent focus in class. Jacob for his fantastic answers and beautiful presentation in guided reading.
Class 2	Megan for always trying her hardest in all subjects, being kind and a great member of the class.
Class 3	Mia P for her super work investigating lines and angles in Maths. Orla for showing extra kindness and care towards her classmates.
Class 4	Kitty for great team work, listening and orienteering skills at Norton Manor Camp. Luca for engaging so well in Maths work and providing super explanations.
Class 5	Albert for outstanding effort, teamwork and leadership at Norton Manor Camp.
Class 6	Ethan, Eira and Gracie for their enthusiasm and energy during rehearsals.



This week was Year 6's last ever Forest School! We made broom sticks and played Quidditch, and made dens to live in. We ate damper bread we cooked on the fire and toasted marshmallows. We made forest folk out of clay and things we could find around us. We finished the morning in the traditional way, with hot chocolate around the fire. We would like to thank Mr Wedderkopp for all the wonderful Forest School sessions that we have enjoyed, and for all the useful and interesting things he has taught us.

by Florence and Iris.



Class 5 Year 5 Norton Manor Camp

On Thursday 27th June, Class 5 went to Norton Manor Camp, which is the Royal Marine base, to take part in the annual Year 5 Outdoor Festival. We were put into teams and we did 4 activities. Our first activity was on the rowing machine. Each group raced for five minutes with each member of the group rowing for at least a minute. Our second activity was capture the flag. In this game, we were against three other teams, who were very hard to beat. Our next activity was a biathlon with archery and running (approximately a 300 metre circuit.) You had to shoot two arrows and then run, making sure you stayed with your team throughout the entire run. Finally, we played rollerball, a game of teamwork. We had 12 bamboo sticks, 4 half pipes and a handful of elastic bands. The pipes couldn't touch the ground but the bamboo could. A golf ball had to go through the pipes in a zig zag pattern to drop into a bucket at the end. We had a fantastic day and would happily go again.

by Tilly and Jemima, Year 5

Year 4 Norton Manor Camp

On Wednesday 26th Class 4 went to Norton Manor Camp to do orienteering. First, we learnt how to use a clipper. Next, we learnt how to use a map on a rope to complete walking a route around a star (it's harder than it sounds). Next, we did a short course around the field using what we had been taught. We had to find numbers with a different stamp and then stamp our card if we had the correct numbers. Our team completed 2/3 stamp card sheets. We had the challenge of finding our way through the woodland course. We used a dibber and put it in an electrical hole to time when and where we were in the woods. After we found our way back we got a receipt which told us where we had been. We were 123/250 who had completed it so far. We had great fun!

by Bea and Emily C



Last Friday Class 3 took part in the 'Make Music Day' performance at St. Andrews Church, Wiveliscombe, alongside children from Oake and Bradford and Wiveliscombe Primary schools. We performed four songs: 'Baningati' (a song from Cameroon), 'I Can See Clearly Now', 'Three Little Birds' and lastly, the children's favourite - 'I'm Still Singing'. Dexter and Bea (from Class 4) also performed with High Park Music. The afternoon finished with everyone

joining together to sing 'Bring Me Sunshine'. The children worked really hard to prepare for the performance and they all sung beautifully - I was extremely proud of them. Thank you to all the parents who were able to come and support the event.

Mrs Calnon

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	220	1288
Cork Oak	189	1223
Blue Cedar	250	1446
Horse Chestnut	222	1232



SUMMER FETE

Saturday 6th July 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Live Band ★ Cafe ★ BBQ ★ Crepes ★ Waterslide
Go for Green Driving School (open to all ages)
Lots of games ★ Stalls for everyone

Milverton School Grounds | 06th July

DONATIONS

All donations to be given by Friday 05th July

JAM JAR TOMBOLA - Fill up a recycled jam jar with toys, sweets, marbles, coins.....anything & hand into child's classroom

DVD'S & TOYS - Please leave in school Foyer

CUPCAKES, CAKES - Please leave in kitchen on Friday 05th July

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Don't forget to purchase your strawberries and cream for our Strawberry Fair and Meet the Teacher afternoon on Wednesday 3rd July after school. This can be done by going to Parentmail > Shop. Portions cost £2.50 each.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge amount of lost property at school. The MSA have kindly said they will be displaying it for parents at drop-off and pick-up on Monday 1st July to Wednesday 3rd July. Please come and claim your lost items!

MSA Summer Fete—Saturday 6th July at 1.30pm

We've got lots of new activities and stalls at the fete this year and are hoping to see as many of you there as possible... In order to make the fete a success, We are looking for the following donations:

TOYS - all shapes and sizes of good quality toys

BOOKS and DVDs

JAM JARS - this has become a great Milverton tradition and we're asking each child if they can bring a Jam Jar filled with treats! Sweets, chocolates, dinky toys etc! Please leave in child's classroom.

TEDDIES/ SOFT TOYS - small or large by good condition

CHOCOLATE - can be bars, boxes, individual chocolate sweets - anything chocolate related!

BOTTLES OF WINE - we do need a large number of these (!) so if you are able to donate some wine it would be much appreciated.

TINS/BOTTLES/DRY GOODS

All donations can be left in the school lobby all week from Monday 1st July (next week) so have a good sort out over the weekend!

Auction of Promises!

Bidding has already started for the MSA Auction of Promises so don't forget to check out the website to see what items have been donated and to make a bid!

www.auctionofpromises.com/2019MilvertonSchool

Online bidding closes on the 4th July and will be re-opening at the Summer Fete on 6th July until 4pm. **Happy Bidding!**

MSA AGM Monday 15th July at 7.30pm at school



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