

Millbrook Matters

Dare to dream, together we can achieve and flourish...



Message from Mr Bell...

Santa was spotted last Friday by Millbrook School children. His early arrival was welcomed by some very excited reception class children who saw him on a steam train heading to Bodmin! The children managed to meet the man himself, who was feeling quite generous with a few presents shared out for these lucky children. After speaking to those in the know, I have managed to find out he could be calling into Millbrook next Thursday. If there are lots of hard working, angelic and well behaved children, we might even persuade him to call in to school!

As I am sitting here on Wednesday afternoon, I have to say that the children are so excited about their production of "A midwife crisis" Their singing is smashing and their smiles show just how much they enjoy putting on a show. If you have seen the show, I hope you were as proud of the children as I am! It has been a delight working with the cast and it has given all the adults an early taste of the Christmas season. Well done doesn't seem to be enough to express our gratitude to the children (and parents of course!) for all their hard work with learning their lines and getting some amazing costumes.

Our next big event, to which you are all invited is the carol service at All Saints church on Wednesday 18th December, starting at 2.15pm. The reception class children have been rehearsing the story of Christmas and would love to tell you their story in a nativity play. They will be helped out by some of the older children explaining what happened. Please come if you can. Christmas parties are on Thursday next week. If you could kindly provide some sweet or savoury snacks, that would help us welcome the holidays with a bang! The last day of the Autumn term is Friday, where the children are welcome to bring in games (non-electronic) to play with others. The first day back to school is Tuesday 7th January 2020.

Could I now be a slight nag: we are still short of payments for some of the trips and visits we have organised this term. These visits are in part supported by parental donations. If you have overlooked paying for *I believe in unicorns*, *the Santa train* or *the Eden project visit*, please could you pop it on parent pay when you can. Thank you.

To round off the last newsletter of 2019, could I let you know what Verity George in Year 6 is doing. Verity is concerned about the plight of the homeless in Plymouth at this time of the year and she is hoping you might be able to donate things to help the Shekinah Mission for homeless people. If you have cordial or squash, this makes a great Winter warmer for homeless people. In addition, any donations of waterproof coats or food donations would be very welcome indeed. Please leave them in reception, or give them to Verity or her Mum, Lisa George.

Thank you all and have a very Happy Christmas! Pete Bell

Dazzling Writer	Mega Mathematician	Star Reader	Focus of the week
Luka Jankovic-Harvey Zac Penter Jake Fellowes Morgan Courtney-Johnson	Jack Gray-Southeran Tilly Price Cameron FK Damien Bellamy	Joules Mitchell Hannah Hammond Willow Kaczan-Shane Nell Staniforth	Zennor Lee JJ De La Haye Oscar Woodley Rocco Adams-Wright

Upcoming dates for your diary...

18th Dec—Christmas Lunch

18th Dec – Church Carol Nativity concert 2p.m. at All Saints Church

19th Dec – Class parties

19th Dec—Xmas party @ Football Club 5.30-7pm

20th Dec—Last day of term

6th Jan 20—SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY

7th Jan 20—First Day of Spring Term

Please note there are no clubs next week

Children in Need sponsor money GRAND TOTAL RAISED “ £566.75” A huge Thankyou to all the children who collected sponsorship money for the cause. A special mention to Vincent Chidgey who raised a whopping £113 !! Well done everyone!

Other information...

Lost Property

Our Lost Property bin is very full again please come and check the bin if you have any missing items of uniform.

Dinner Money/ Trips

Please make sure your dinner/ trip money balance is paid on Parent Pay.

Bag2School

Millbrook School are pleased to announce we have signed up to the Bag2School Scheme so are appealing for donations of good quality items of clothing such as men's, ladies and children clothes, paired shoes (tied together with elastic) handbags, hats, scarves, ties, jewellery, socks, belts, soft toys, house hold linen, curtains, towels and bedding such as duvet covers and sheets (no duvets, blankets or pillows). Our collection date is Wednesday 12th February so please bring any unwanted suitable items to school in a bag to help us to raise much needed funds!

