





FRIDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2022

Welcome back to the second half of our Autumn Term!

I hope you had a great half term break.

Mrs Frampton

Swimming

This week was Year 4's final swimming session—they did brilliantly and made great progress. Year 3 are starting next week so please ensure you have completed the permission form.

School Lunches

A reminder that from next week, for 4 weeks, the school kitchen will be providing packed lunches instead of hot meals. Please ensure your orders are made by Thursday for the following week.

Reception Photo

The New Milton Advertiser came in to school on Wednesday to take a photo of our wonderful Reception class for their annual 'Starting School' supplement. Look out for it over the next couple of weeks.

Multi skills festival

Well done to those children from Year 1 and 2 who attended a multi skills festival at The Grange School this week. They represented the school brilliantly.

Remembrance Day

Next week we will be marking this day on Friday. We will be selling poppies and other British Legion merchandise if you would like to make a donation for any items.

Anti Bullying Week

We will be focussing on our Anti Bullying work in the week of 14th November. This will start on Monday with an Odd Socks Day. Please wear odd, colourful and wacky socks to show we are all different.

Reception starters 2023

We are holding three open afternoons next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 2.00-3.00.

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Our focus for this year

This week in assemblies we have talked about keeping **safe**, especially around Trick or Treating and Bonfire Night. We also looked at the Hindu festival of Diwali.

Attendance

Our expectation for attendance is 96% or above.

Children need to be in school every day and on time to ensure the best chance of them reaching their potential.

Please remember that where possible, medical appointments should be made out of school time and the school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Holidays are not considered exceptional circumstances and are likely to result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child.

Attendance at the end of this week

Whole school: 92.5% compared to 94.7% nationally

Year 1: 93.4% Year 2: 95.3% Year 3: 97.1% Year 4: 92.7% Year 5: 93.7% Year 6: 93.4%

Well done to Y3 for exceeding the expectation!

Parent Champion

As you'll now from a Marvellous Me message, we now have a Parent Champion who comes in to school once a month to support parents with children with SEND.

There is still one space left on December 2nd at 10.30.

Please email the school office if you would like to book a slot as soon as possible as slots do go fast!

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