

Millhouse News

28th September 2018



Millhouse
Primary School and Nursery

Thank you to all the parents who have come and supported different events this week. Hopefully, the times tables workshops were useful and will help you to support your child more at home. The book fair will be on for a few more days next week so please come and visit.

Attendance Information

We have started to monitor the children's attendance for this year and will be checking which children have satisfactory attendance. If your child's attendance is below 90% you will receive a warning letter. If we do not see an improvement, then parents will be invited in to a meeting with a member of the senior leadership team. Please note, that if your child's attendance is not above 90% we will not authorise any absence without medical evidence.

Unfortunately, we only had 5 classes this week with attendance of 97% or above. Another 4 classes had 96% which is nearly there!

Congratulations to Miss Hinson's class again for being the best class in the school with 99.4%!

Word of the Day

The staff have been challenged by Mrs McGarry to use the chosen word of the day. Maybe you could challenge each other at home!

Dates for your Diary & Reminders

Wed 26th Sept – Tues 2nd Oct – Book Fair (open each day after school)

Monday 1st October – Classes 12 and 22 visiting the library

Wednesday 3rd October – No Pen Day
Wednesday

Thursday 4th October – Individual Photographs

General Information

Individual Photos

The school photographer will be in school on Thursday next week (4th October) to take individual and sibling photos. We always appreciate feedback on the quality of these photos and the value for money they offer.

Car Parking

Unfortunately, we have again had parents parking dangerously or illegally outside the school at the start and end of day. Please do not park or drop off on the yellow or white zig zag lines and do not park across the corner of junctions or in front of private driveways. We will be monitoring this closely and will take photos and report illegal parking to the authorities.

Library Visits

The children are visiting the library this term. Please make sure they bring their library card with them or send a slip so they can be given a card. Once read, library books should be given to Mrs Wilson and she will return them to the library.

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Year Group Updates

EYFS (Reception & Nursery)

On Monday we had a visit from Fire Fighter Steve. He showed us what he wears to keep him safe and showed us how we can keep ourselves safe. He also taught us what to do if we see a fire.

Year 1

We had a crime committed in Year 1 this week! Someone came into our classes and ruined our role play areas. After a thorough investigation, we found out it was Goldilocks! Thankfully, she has apologised for her actions!

Year 2

This week, the children have visited Africa! We have written postcards to our families from Africa, painted African sunsets and learnt about the 'big 5' wild animals. Do you know what they are?

Year 3

Year 3 have really enjoyed reading more of The Twits this week. Some of us also made some cakes with Mrs Haken's son as a reward at the end of the week.

Year 4

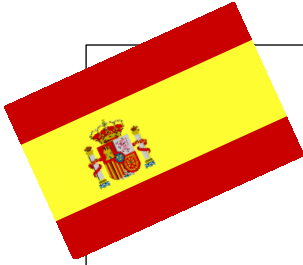
Year 4 have been working hard in English this week by writing sentences that contain subordinating conjunctions. We have also just started a new science topic all about electricity.

Year 5

Year 5 have been engrossed in their new book, 'The Boy in the Girls' Bathroom' and have enjoyed getting to know the main character, Bradley Chalmers.

Year 6

Year 6 have been working hard in English and Maths this week. We have written some really creative descriptions of World War 2 settings.



Spanish Phrase of the Week

All the children in school learn Spanish as part of our curriculum. We are really lucky to have Diego teach the children and would like to introduce some Spanish phrases to parents so that the children can practice at home.

This week's words are:

hola = hello

adios = goodbye

gracias = thank you

Harvest Collection

We are once again collecting items for our friends in Woodbury Court. Please help if you can by sending the following items in next week:

teabags, coffee, sugar, biscuits, pasta

Many thanks.

Secondary School Applications

The link below takes you to an information booklet which guides parents through the process of applying for a secondary school place for their child.

https://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Documents/econdary_Admissions_Booklet.pdf

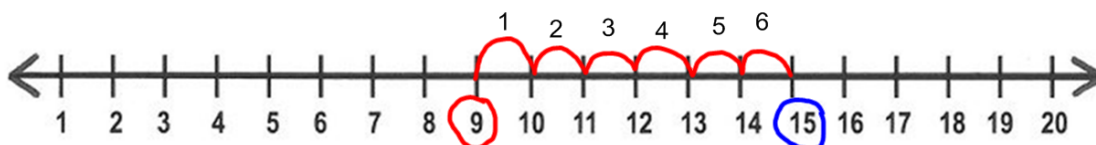
The deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October 2018. Please note that each school has their own admissions criteria (all of which can be found on the Essex Admissions website) and places are not given on a first come, first served basis so please take your time and explore the best options for your child.



Maths Lite-Bite



Addition using a number line



$$9 + 6 = 15$$

1. Find your starting number and circle it on the number line
2. Count on in 1s until you have added the right amount (6 in this case)
3. Identify the result/answer
4. If adding larger numbers, children may start to jump in larger increments e.g. 5s, 10s, 20s, 100s

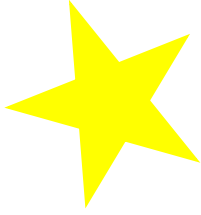
Addition using formal column method

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+	1	4	7	8
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	6	4	1	0
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	1	1		

1. Add the digits in the ones column (2+8)
2. If the answer is 10 or larger, you need to write the number of tens you have underneath.
3. Add the digits in the tens column, don't forget the extra ten underneath! (3+7+1)
4. Repeat this process until you have added all the columns up.

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children this week:



Class 4 – Jensen

Class 5 – Amber

Class 6 – Jasmine

Class 7 – Jayden

Class 8 – Victoria

Class 9 – Lily T

Class 10 – Kelsey

Class 11 – Violet

Class 12 – Finnley

Class 14 – Gabriel

Class 15 – Charlotte

Class 16 – Joshua

Class 17 – Ronnie

Class 18 – Shannon

Class 19 – Reece

Class 20 – Emily

Class 21 – Rose

Class 22 - Tucker

