

Millhouse News

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Dates & Reminders

Wednesday 2nd November – children return to school
Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd November – Parent Evening
Tuesday 8th November – Class 18 visit to Wat Tyler Park
Wednesday 9th November – Class 19 visit to Wat Tyler Park
Thursday 10th November – Class 17 visit to Wat Tyler Park
Thursday 10th November – Year 5 pupils Online Safety Roadshow
Friday 11th November – Remembrance Service (see information below)

Parent Information

Polite Requests

We kindly ask again that dogs either remain outside or just inside the gate and are not brought through the school grounds.

We also ask parents to consider walking rather than driving their child to school as the roads are becoming very busy and parking is limited. If you do use a car, please park safely, considerately and legally.

We would like to remind parents that if they need to contact a member of staff that they do so using school email addresses or by telephoning the school. Please do not send a message via social media or direct message services. Staff are not allowed to communicate with parents this way.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

We are really pleased to say we will once again be holding a Remembrance Day Service in school to honour and pay respects to those who have been affected by conflicts around the world.

This will take place on Friday 11th November and parents are invited to attend as well. It will take place outside on the KS2 playground, where all the children will gather and take part. The service will be led by Michelle Cooper, who is an Officer in the Army Cadets and some of her cadets. We ask children who are in a uniformed organisation such as cadets, Cubs, Brownies etc to wear their uniforms on this day and they will join the Army Cadets in parading as part of the service.

Parents who wish to attend should arrive from 10:30am via the Tavistock Road gate. The service will start at 10:45am and will end with 2 minutes silence at 11am.

This service means a lot to our school, and we are proud to be able to hold it again.



Wellbeing & Support

YOUNG CARERS

Does your child do any of the following because someone in their household has a special need, illness (physical or mental) or disability?

- Care for a family member because of illness, disability or old age
- Help someone with bathing or dressing, going to the toilet or getting in/out of bed
- Need to cook for the family
- Help anyone take medication regularly
- Go shopping for the family
- Look after brothers or sisters by taking them to school, doing their laundry or cooking their meals
- Take care of housework chores
- Speak on behalf of someone who has difficulty speaking or communicating themselves.

If so, they are a 'Young Carer' and as such are entitled to additional support and care themselves and we would like to recognise the work they do. In school, we can support Young Carers by giving them time and space to talk, provide time for fun activities and meet other Young Carers. We can also signpost families to external support such as the Youth Service, who provide out of school activities and respite as well as other avenues of support for the rest of the family.

If you think your child is a Young Carer, please come and speak to Mrs Haken, Ms Slade or Mrs Duggins.

THERAPEUTIC SUPPORT

Ms Slade currently has some spaces available for therapeutic support or counselling for children. If you feel your child would benefit from this, please fill in the application form which is available from our website or the school office.

Midday Assistant Work

If any parents are interested in becoming a Midday Assistant and supporting our children during the lunchtime period, please let us know.

We are looking for someone who can work Mon – Fri as well as people to be on a 'bank' list for emergency cover.

Please drop us a line or pop into the office to speak to us.

Harvest Celebrations

Over the past couple of weeks, all the children have been celebrating harvest. The children took part in harvest assemblies, sang harvest songs, made harvest hats and donated food items for our friends at Woodbury Court. A special thank you goes to Albert in Reception and his family, who donated £100 of food on behalf of their business. Also well done to the winners of the Harvest Hat competition:

Reception – all children who made a hat (we couldn't pick a winner!)

Year 1: Prezley-Rose & Leo M

Year 2: Caleb

Year 3: Emilija & Ezra

Year 4: Annabel M, Charlie S & Norah

Year 5: Noah & Breanna

Year 6: Mateo & David

