

Millhouse News

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Dates & Reminders

Friday 26th November – Flu immunisations

Saturday 4th December – Breakfast with Santa

Wednesday 8th December – KS1 Choir singing in the Eastgate Centre

Friday 10th December – Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 14th-Thursday 16th December – Year 4 Music Project

Thursday 16th December, 9:15am – KS1 Carol Singing with parents (playground)

Friday 17th December, 9:15am – KS2 Carol Singing with parents (playground)

Friday 17th December – last day of term

Tuesday 4th January 2022 – Children back to school

Parent Information

Flu Vaccinations

These will take place on Friday 26th November for those children whose parents have completed the consent form. A letter with how to do this was emailed to all parents earlier this week.

Please note, that we do not collate this information, the immunisation team does and if a consent form is not filled in online, your child will not receive the vaccine.

Christmas Events

Although we are not having Christmas performances for parents this year (these will be filmed and uploaded for parents to view), we are inviting parents to come and join our carol singing outside during the last week of term. The dates are on this newsletter and each session will last for around 30 minutes.

COVID-19 UPDATE

We have had 4 positive cases of COVID-19 this week in different areas across the school.

We ask parents to remember to take all the necessary precautions to help us in our community to reduce the numbers of positive cases. These include:

- Testing all members of the household twice a week with a lateral flow test. These can be collected from any pharmacy using this link <https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits>
- Wearing a face covering in busy places and on public transport
- Washing or sanitising hands regularly
- Getting a PCR test for those who come into close contact with a positive case.
- Isolating and getting a PCR test if you have any symptoms.

APPLICATIONS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

The application process for children starting primary school in September 2022 opened on 8th November and must be completed by 15th January 2022. Parents should apply online at <https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-primary-school-place>.

Most primary schools will have opportunities for you to either visit the school in person or have a virtual tour / process in place. When looking for a primary school for a child, parents must take into consideration what their child needs and how the school will meet these needs. They should also ask the school about their values and how they support children to learn and grow.

We have 3 dates when we are welcoming visitors to our school. These will be 3:30pm on 22nd, 23rd and 24th November. Parents should contact the school office to book a visit. Parents will get an opportunity to look around some of the school, in particular the reception classes and outside areas.

Children in Need Day 2021

Thank you to everyone who has donated to Children in Need this year. We know the money raised will go to some great causes that support children around the country as well as some local to us in Basildon and Essex. Photos can be seen in the gallery below.



To ensure all members of our school community have access to support with, and learn how to manage, their mental and physical wellbeing.

Wellbeing & Support

We would like to offer some wellbeing workshops for parents next term. Attached to this email is a link to a questionnaire. Please take the time to complete it to let us know what type of workshops you feel would be useful.

Thank you.

To increase access to and improve provision of reading for all children

Reading

Our staff love reading and we would love to know what the children enjoy reading too!

If your children would like to send us a photo of them reading a good book or write a short book review and recommendation, we will choose some and put them into a newsletter before the end of term.

Photos can be emailed to your child's year group email address.

To enhance children's motivation and their ambition for their futures.

Inspiring Tomorrow's Generation, Today

There are some fun family learning sessions coming up at Laindon Library! If your child is (or would like to be) a budding scientist, engineer, mathematician or author have a look at the sessions on offer. We have attached a flier for more information.

Gallery



Children in our Windmill Provision made poppies from lots of different objects and made a poppy wreath to commemorate Remembrance Day.



Children in Need 2021

