

Millhouse Primary School

Newsletter

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A Small School with a Big Heart



Message from Mrs. Gray:

We had a great second week back in school. The children are enjoying their new topics. This week you will receive this term's parent information sheets, detailing your child's learning for the term plus providing information about how you can help at home. We hope that you find these useful.

Reminder: New Starter Meeting for Parents

On Wednesday 21st September at 2:30pm, Miss Broxholme will be hosting a meeting for our Reception children's parents. This will provide parents with information about how we teach phonics in school and how they can support at home. Miss Broxholme will also show parents how our online platform, Seesaw, can be used to share learning at home and in school.

Volunteers needed

We appreciate the support of volunteers in school particularly to help with reading. The children enjoy reading to adults and becoming confident, fluent readers is vital to their all-round success in school. Please email k.gray@millhouseprimary.co.uk if you are able to help us this year, whether you have done this before or you are new to the role.

Jeans for Genes day:

Jeans for Genes day is on Friday 23rd September. This is a charity day which we support each year. The children are invited to wear denim (or blue if they don't have anything denim) in return for a small donation for this worthwhile cause. Jeans for Genes Day have resources including video clips on their website to explain how your donation will make a difference. Visit:

<https://www.jeansforgenesday.org/our-work> for more information and to view these films.

Special Mentions Assembly

Last week's Special Mentions were awarded to:

Class 1 – Hettie and Eliza

Class 2 – EveryIn and Alfie

Class 3 – Harry M and Caleb

Class 4 – Holly F and Leon

Class 5 – Ebony and Daniel

Fantastic effort!



Attendance

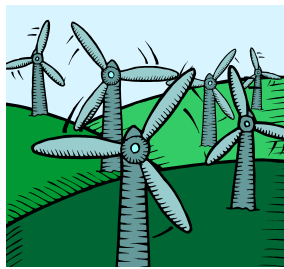
Class 2 achieved the highest attendance last week with 98.5%. They earn 5 minutes extra playtime. Well done!



Remember every school day counts!

Late arrivals

We monitor the number of lates carefully and letters will be sent by school to any families where children have been late 5 times. If 10 lates occur, a letter from the Local Authority will be received. Please ensure children arrive before 9 o'clock.



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School Council Elections

We held elections for school council members last week. Well done to the children below who have been selected to represent their classes. What great choices – I'm looking forward to hearing their suggestions to help improve our school this year.

Class 1 – Luke and Gracie

Class 2 – Oscar and Everlyn R

Class 3 – Harry M and

Class 4 – William and Felicity

Class 5 – Jessica and Charlie

The School Council is led by our head boy and head girl – two Y6 children selected by teachers in recognition of the excellent example they show to others in all areas of school life. This year Leo and Scarlet will take on these roles. I'm sure they'll do a fantastic job!

Sporting News

Last week, Year 5/6 girls enjoyed participating in an after-school football tournament against other local schools as part of our membership of Penistone4Sports. Well done to the girls who volunteered to take part – Mr. Ritchie was impressed by their excellent teamwork. We took two teams, with one of teams achieving third place overall. Super!

On Thursday, our Year 3 and 4 children are in action in a mixed girls/boys competition. There is only space for us to take one team this week so Mr. Ritchie will hold trials in school and parents will be informed via text if a place has been awarded to their child.

Tough Tortoises

We present Tough Tortoise certificates for being determined; persevering even when we find things hard; ignoring distractions. In Friday's assembly, we awarded certificates to:

Jack (Class 1);

Lyrach-Jayne (Class 2);

Aurelia (Class 3);

Ryan (Class 4);

Elyssa (Class 5).



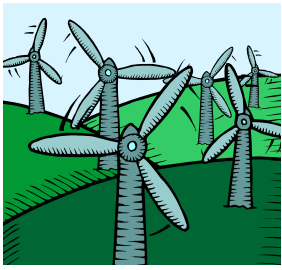
Harvest Festival – Save the date!

We are hoping (as long as Covid-19 rates do not prevent it) to hold our annual harvest festival at the Methodist Church in Millhouse this year on Thursday 20th October at 1:45pm. Parents will be invited to join us for this lovely event. More details will follow.



FOMS Meeting

On Thursday 22nd September at 9:00am our FOMS (Friends of Millhouse School) group will hold their first meeting of the new academic year in school. The fundraising efforts of FOMS help to enhance the experiences of all of our children during their time in school. They are always on the look-out for new members so please come along if you can!



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Inspire Mornings

Before the pandemic, our Inspire mornings were popular events in the school calendar for both children and parents. For those of you who haven't experienced one, Inspire is a project which aims to provide you with a greater insight into your child/ children's time in school. Each class hosts an INSPIRE session which you will be invited to attend. During this you will get the opportunity to learn about important school developments and how you can support your child's learning but also you will be able to take part in an activity, planned by the teacher, and work with your child as a team. These sessions are definitely lots of fun and provide a great chance for you to see how your child approaches their learning in school.

Ideally we would like every child to have one adult with them for their session – if a parent is not able to attend, a grandparent or other relative is welcome to come along in their place. We really hope that by providing lots of notice you will be able to come and share this wonderful experience with your child. The dates allocated are listed below:

Class 5 – 10th November

Class 4 – 24th November

Class 3 – 1st December

Class 2 – 19th January

Class 1 – 26th January

