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# Millhouse Primary School Newsletter

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A Small School with a Big Heart



# Message from Mrs. Gray:

Y5 and 6 children thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Robinwood last week. Staff were proud of their fantastic attitudes – they showed enthusiasm, bravery and determination when facing a range of challenges. There are some great photographs on Twitter and Facebook showing the fun they had. I'd like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank-you to the staff who accompanied the children on the visit – Mrs. Crouch, Mrs. Shore, Mrs. Preston and Mrs. Chilton. This week we will send out via email and paper copies, information about next year's visit. I'd be grateful if the reply slip could be returned promptly to enable us to secure our booking if there is sufficient interest.

#### **Class 1 Inspire Morning**

Class 1 children are looking forward to welcoming their parents into school on Thursday for their Inspire Morning. The event starts at 9:00am – any parents attending, please come to Reception to sign in – and will be finished by 11:20am.

# **Leave of Absence requests**

Barnsley Council have updated the Leave of Absence application form. The new form is available on our website or from the school office if required. Please remember that leave of absences of 5 days or more will result in a fine unless there are exceptional circumstances. From January 2024, both parents may receive a penalty notice where parents are separated/ not in the same household.

## **Special Mentions Assembly**

Special Mentions were awarded on Friday to:

Class 1 - Belle and Lacey

Class 2 – Ethan and Edie

Class 3 - Charlie C and Charlie B

Class 4 - Aurelia and Y5s who attended

Robinwood

Class 5 - Whole class

#### **Attendance**

Class 2 and Class 4 achieved the highest attendance last week with 98% Super!



# 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. There were 5 recorded lates w/c 08/01/24.

#### **Resourceful Rabbits**

This term we are focusing on our Building Learning Power Hero, Resourceful Rabbit. We are awarding certificates to children who have demonstrated initiative in their learning; good questioning and problem-solving skills. In Friday's assembly our Resourceful Rabbits were:

Mina (Class 1);

Ellie (Class 2);

Emily (Class 3);

Ivy (Class 4);

Daniel (Class 5).





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# **Read Around the World Challenge!**



As you are aware, we have a special class reading challenge in school. We are challenging each class to journey around the world by reading at home. There is a display in the hall which shows key landmarks which the classes will pass on their journeys. This means our challenge supports geography knowledge too! Each time children read at home they get a tick on their teacher's reading tracker. Every tick is equivalent to 10 miles. Below are the total miles earned by each class across the autumn term. The class sizes vary across school so the average miles per pupil for each class have been included too.

Class 1 - 9690 (average 485 per child)

Class 2 – 9980 (average 475 per child)

Class 3 – 9880 (average 470 per child)

Class 4 – 13000 (average 481 per child)

Class 5 – 12820 (average 475 per child)



There will be a special treat at the end of the year for classes who complete the challenge.

Please support your child in this challenge by encouraging them to read at home and making reading part of your daily routine.



## **Barnsley Council News**

Barnsley Council has produced a winter leaflet which contains lots of top tips and information on ways to make sure you, your friends and family can cope with cold weather this winter. We have attached a copy of the leaflet to this week's newsletter.