

Message from Mrs. Gray:

Children across school enjoyed their school trips last week. Staff were impressed by the excellent behaviour displayed.

We have another busy week ahead! Everyone is looking forward to the final of Millhouse's Got Talent; our annual egg decorating competition and the traditional easter egg roll! What a super end to the spring term!



Reminder - Easter events

We are holding a decorating an egg competition again this year for pupils who wish to take part. The egg can be part of a scene or a single character. (Only include one egg in each entry.) Please bring entries into school on Thursday 21st March for judging (they will be returned on the same day and winners announced in Friday's assembly). The FOMS group have kindly agreed to provide prizes – a winner and runner up prize will be awarded for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. We are also planning to hold our traditional egg rolling competition in school on Friday 22nd March. Children need to bring a decorated egg (hard boiled!) in to school to take part – each class will hold their own competition. It can be the same egg used to enter the decorating the egg competition. I wonder who will be the winner of the longest egg roll?! The lucky winner in each class will win a prize provided by the FOMS group.

A fond farewell

We are saying goodbye to Mrs. Bentley this week, who is retiring after 23 years at Millhouse Primary School. Mrs. Bentley works in every class and I know she will be sorely missed by children and staff alike. We'd all like to say a huge thank-you to Mrs. Bentley for her dedication and hard work across the years. She will always be part of the Millhouse family and we hope that she visits us often!

Special Mentions Assembly

Special Mentions were awarded on 5th March to:

Class 1 – Whole Class

Class 2 – Whole Class

Class 3 – Harry and Billy

Class 4 – Aurelia, Mia and Emily

Class 5 – Whole Class

Fabulous effort!



Attendance

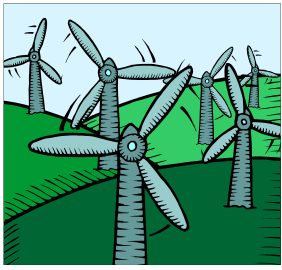
Class 1 achieved the highest attendance last week with an amazing 100%. Well done!

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. There were **2** recorded lates w/c 11.3.24.



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Pondering Pandas

This half term we are encouraging children to plan activities carefully, to review their work and to think about how they can improve it. Our Pondering Pandas of the week were:

Jack W (Class 1);
Leo (Class 2);
Ava (Class 3);
Tommy (Class 4);
Elliot (Class 5).



Well done!

Congratulations!

A big well done to Selene (Class 2) and Tommy (Class 4). Their Easter egg designs have been selected by the Mayor of Barnsley to be part of the town centre Easter Egg Trail. There are only ten eggs in the trail so what a fabulous achievement that two of our pupils have been selected from over 450 entries. The Mayor was so impressed with the overall standard of entries that all the designs will be displayed at the atrium of Barnsley Markets, near the escalators. Families will be able to visit and spot their child's artwork.

School Council request

The School Council would like to ask for donations of games to add to class wet play boxes. If you have any games, in good condition, which you no longer want, they would be grateful if you could send them into school. Thank-you!

Clubs

After the Easter break, our after-school club programme will continue:

Monday – Cartoon Club

Tuesday – Y1/2/3 benchball

Thursday - Choir

Friday – Y4/5/6 benchball

Letters with booking forms will be sent out this week.

Grand Final!

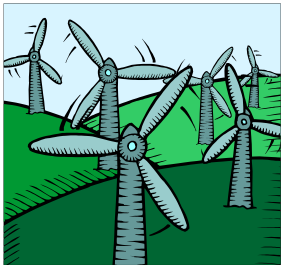
Well done to everyone who entered Millhouse's Got Talent this year. It was a difficult decision but the top ten finalists were chosen last week and will perform in the Grand Final on Friday in front of the rest of school. After they have each performed, all children in school will vote for their favourite act and the three acts with the highest number of votes will be announced as our winners. Good luck everyone!

Easter holiday

We break up for the Easter holiday on Friday 22nd March. We return to school on Monday 8th April. Please note that there is not an INSET day at the start of the new term.

We wish all our families a lovely Easter break!





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Another local competition!

Barnsley Council is asking children and young people to play their part in naming the sheep on the Penistone Sheep art trail.

They'd love children at local schools to draw a picture of their favourite sheep and suggest a name that suits them.

The sheep still to be named can be found at the following locations:

- Cycling sheep - on the Trans Pennine Trail near Tesco
- Railway sheep - off Eastfield Avenue near Penistone railway station
- Reading sheep - outside Penistone Library
- Popcorn sheep - outside the Penistone Paramount
- Market sheep - two sheep benches outside Penistone Market Barn

They aim to hold a "naming ceremony" photo opportunity for each sheep and will invite the child who suggested the name chosen.

Barnsley Council hope lots of children from Penistone join in the competition and really "take ownership" of the sheep on the trail.

The competition closes on Monday, 15 April, and a judging panel will then choose the winning names.

A leaflet with a map and photographs of the sheep is attached to this week's newsletter.

An entry form can be collected from school, for any child who wishes to enter the competition.

Please return entries to school by 9:00am on Friday 12th April to enable school to meet the competition deadline.

