

Milldene News 2

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Uniform Reminder

A few reminders regarding our expectations for our boys and girls and their uniform:-

- Long hair should be tied back at all times.
- Haircuts should be neat, presentable and not 'extreme' in style. For example; tramlines, patterned styles and Mohican cuts are not permitted and should be grown out as soon as possible.
- Small, stud earrings are permitted, but must be removed for PE lessons and sports clubs.
- Makeup is not permitted at any time.
- No nail varnish please.
- Shoes need to be watertight and not canvas style trainers.

Thank you for your continued support in making sure that the children here at Milldene are well presented and ready to learn!

IMPORTANT—Allergy Information

Milldene is a 'nut free' school and, as such, we cannot allow ANY products to enter the school which contain, or may contain, any nuts.



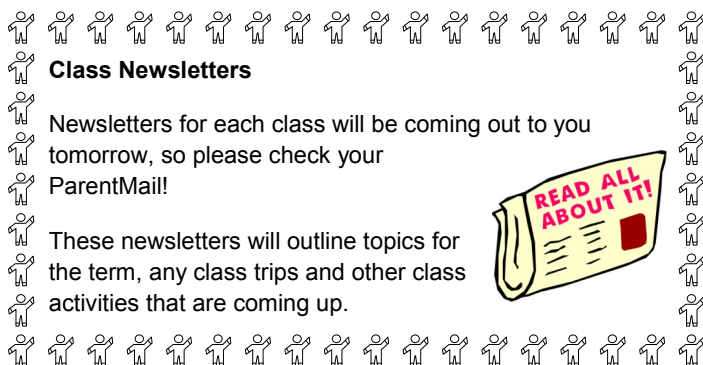
The reason for this is that we have some pupils with severe nut allergies. Any cross contamination with nut related products could result in the child going into anaphylactic shock. We have a duty of care to keep all of our children safe at school at all times.

Products that need to be avoided in packed lunches include, but are not limited to:

- Nutella and other chocolate spreads
- Chocolate
- Trail mixes
- Cereal bars

Any product that states "may contain nuts" should be avoided.

Thank you for your assistance.



Class Newsletters

Newsletters for each class will be coming out to you tomorrow, so please check your ParentMail!

These newsletters will outline topics for the term, any class trips and other class activities that are coming up.



Books and Biscuits is Back!

The first Books and Biscuits of the new school year was a great celebration, with carefully presented work evident in all the books the children proudly shared.

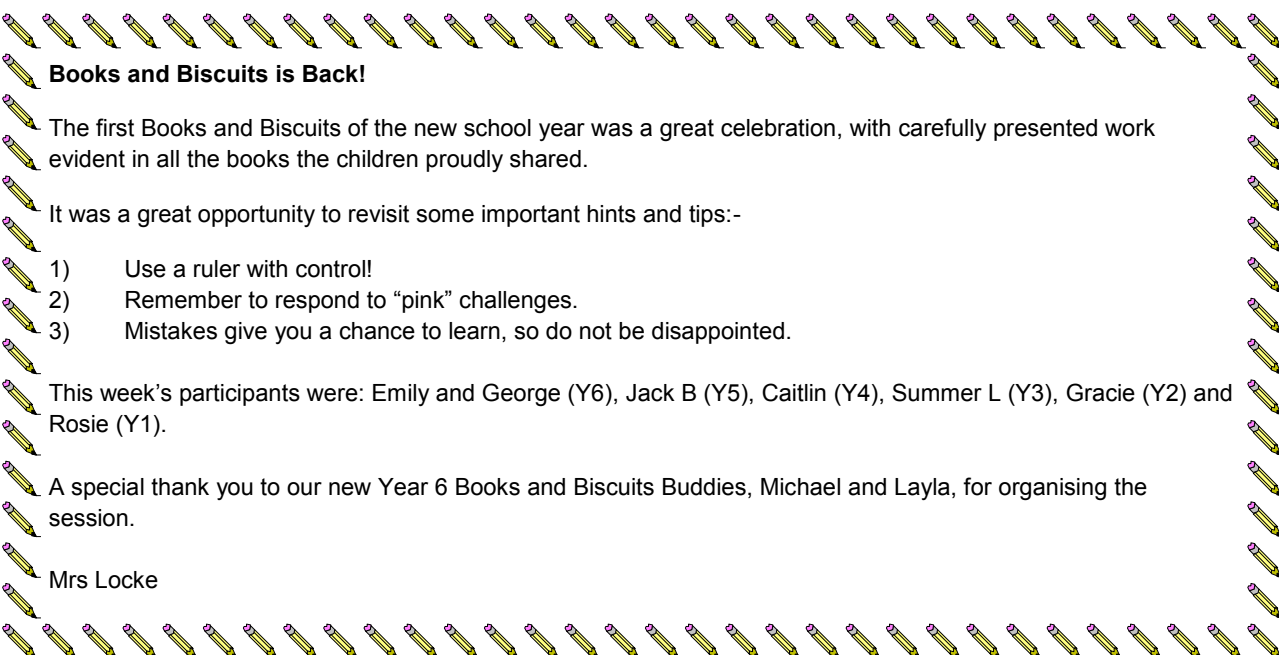
It was a great opportunity to revisit some important hints and tips:-

- 1) Use a ruler with control!
- 2) Remember to respond to "pink" challenges.
- 3) Mistakes give you a chance to learn, so do not be disappointed.

This week's participants were: Emily and George (Y6), Jack B (Y5), Caitlin (Y4), Summer L (Y3), Gracie (Y2) and Rosie (Y1).

A special thank you to our new Year 6 Books and Biscuits Buddies, Michael and Layla, for organising the session.

Mrs Locke





Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer. A special welcome to the parents and families of our new Reception 'tinies', we wish them happy times at Milldene.

***** Dates for your diary *****

PTFA half term meeting | Monday 18 September | 7:30pm
MacMillan coffee morning | Friday 29 September
Autumn Disco | Friday 13 October | 4-5:15pm
Infants | 5:30-7pm
Christmas card designs | October

PTFA funding 2016-17

As detailed at the end of last term, the net income figure raised by the PTFA for the school year 2016-17 was **£4,328.74**. We are all absolutely delighted with this achievement and your support. Purchases for school in 2016-17 totalling **£3,595.94**:

- Filling for the classroom beanbags | £85.90
- iPad cases | £215.92
- MacMillan donation 50% of uniform sales | £6.00
- Author visit books for the library | £24.00
- Ofsted poster | £27.60
- Wet play equipment for each class | £335.33
- Christmas lunch decorations | £24.78
- Pantomime snacks and unpaid coach donations | £103.00
- Book lights for accelerated reading challenge | £126.65
- 50% contribution for chick hatching in KS1 | £127.50
- Nick Butterworth author visit | £460
- Wall clocks for the whole school | £137.43
- Safety signs for the swimming pool area | £145.80
- Swimming pool teaching accessories | £61.53
- Christmas pantomime tickets for the whole school | £1,425.00
- Chairs for the swimming pool area | £20.00
- Year 6 leaver's disco contribution & trip | £269.50

Your School Lottery – have you got your ticket?



Congratulations to all our winners over the summer. Don't forget that with every ticket purchased you help raise funds for the school, as well as a chance to win in our weekly community draw, the national draw of £25k and an Amazon Echo Dot (if you join by 28 October). Please join now:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/milldene-primary-school>

**Thank you for your support,
Milldene Primary School PTFA**



School Meals

Please note that we are on Week 3 of our school menus this week.

Our menus have been updated to include a jacket potato option on a Tuesday and a Thursday. The type of potatoes being served on a Wednesday on Week 3 have also been changed to mashed potatoes.

We hope the children enjoy their new menus.

Contact Information

Later this week, your child will be handed a form showing their current parent/carer information that we hold on our system. If any of this information is out of date or incorrect, please indicate this on the form and return it to us, so that we can update our records.

Thank you in advance.

Fun Factory

The Fun Factory is open for business as usual, with before and after school sessions available. Please be aware that sessions on a Wednesday and Thursday are particularly busy, so booking is essential!

Please see the attached information regarding the new food on offer.

If you would like to book your child in for any number of sessions, please contact the school office for a booking form.

Mrs Pass and Ms Fuhr look forward to seeing some new faces!

Dates for Your Diary

Key dates coming up in our school calendar:

- 18th—22nd September: Kingswood Trip Year 6
- 29th September—MacMillan Coffee Morning
- 4th October—Year 2 Trip to Ipswich Transport Museum
- 10th and 11th October—Individual School Photos
- 13th October—PTFA Disco
- 17th October—E-safety Evening
- 19th October—Harvest Celebration Assembly
- 19th October—Harvest Themed Lunch
- 3rd November—Bonfire Night Themed Lunch
- 17th November—Children In Need Themed Lunch
- 21st November—Year 4 trip to Colchester Castle
- 23rd November—Flu Immunisations
- 7th December—School Trip to Pantomime
- 8th December—Christmas Fair
- 14th December—KS1 Christmas Production
- 15th December—Christmas Dinner
- 20th December—Non-Pupil Day