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School Uniform

Convenience, choice, quality, price...all important considerations when buying school uniform.



It is a competitive marketplace but, after much deliberation, we have made the decision to offer an alternative school uniform provider.

Our school jumpers, cardigans, bags etc will now be available from Tesco. You can order uniform via the Tesco Direct website: www.tesco.com/direct. Under 'Clothing and Accessories', click on 'School Uniform', then 'Uniform Embroidery'. You can then search for Milldene and you will find our range of items available to order. All orders placed help to raise funds for the school.

Although this new service has been arranged, we are of course happy for parents to still use SD Embroidery if they wish. However we will be phasing out our stock held here at the school office, so all orders must be placed directly with them. Grateful thanks to SD Embroidery for their services.

We still have some stock available in the school, so if you wish to purchase uniform, please come to the office and we will see if we have the items in stock.

Classes for September

We are now able to confirm which teachers will be in each class in September.

- Ruby Class: Miss Bailey
- Sapphire Class: Mrs Webb (maternity cover) and Mrs McGrane
- Topaz Class: Miss Eglington
- Amethyst Class: Mr Corley
- Opal Class: Mrs Read
- Emerald Class: Miss Almond
- Diamond Class: Mrs Heydon

The children will be visiting their new teachers in their new classrooms on Monday 17th July, whilst Year 6 have their induction day at Thurstable. This date is also our open evening, providing an opportunity for parents to informally meet class teachers for the coming year. We hope you are able to join us.

Travelling Book Fair— A Runaway Success!

We are delighted to announce that our book fair this year made a whopping £558.31! This means that we will receive £274.98 to spend on books for our school. Amazing!

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair this year.



School Meals

Please note we are on Week 2 of our school menus this week.



We would also like to remind parents that, as of September, our school meals will be increasing to £2.10. As previously explained in earlier newsletters, we have tried over past years to keep the cost of meals down, but as you will appreciate, overheads increase and it is not always possible to keep prices the same. This is not a decision we have taken lightly. We have set our new price in accordance with other local primary schools and believe that we are still able to offer good value for money.

Fun Factory

Just a polite reminder of the times our before and after school provision is available:-

Breakfast Club: 7:30am to 8:40am (£3.50)

After School Club: 3pm to 4:30pm (£5) or 3pm to 6pm (£10)

Although staff members are on site before and after these times, for insurance reasons we are not able to invite the children in earlier or keep them here after these times. Thank you for your co-operation.



Only 3 more sleeps until the school disco! Many thanks to everyone who returned their form and payment by last Thursday's deadline. We are no longer accepting forms but you can pay on the door at the disco (£4 juniors / £3 infants). At the Infants' disco, we will be selling the usual goodies: slap bands, bracelets, temporary tattoos etc. At the Juniors' disco, we will be running a tuck shop. We suggest between £2-£3 spending money. We hope the children have a great time!

Can you help at the junior disco?



Thank you to our parent helpers, we will be in touch this week; **however we are still in need of helpers for the juniors' disco to go ahead.** If you are able to help on the night, please either email the PTFA or notify the school office ASAP.



Thursdays

Thanks to everyone who has booked a space for Thursday's after school swim. This session is now full. Bookings for next and the last after school swim on Thursday 13 July open on Friday. Please email ptfa@milldene.essex.sch.uk to secure a place. We hope the children have a great time on Thursday!

Another easy way to help - STIKINS Name Labels



Please check your child's schoolbag for a flyer for the STIKINS name labels, a great way to ensure that your children's clothes are clearly

labelled to help prevent them being lost. We benefit from an additional contribution from any purchase you make when you quote our School Commission Code: **13467** at the checkout. So please remember this for the back to school period.

Your School Lottery – have you got your ticket?

Congratulations to last Saturday's lottery winner. Please join now at: <https://www.yourschoolottery.co.uk/lottery/school/milldene-primary-school>

And finally...

- There is no **Ice Pop Friday** this week due to the disco. The next and last Ice Pop Friday will be on 14 July
- Nearly-new uniform sale | **Mondays after school**

Thank you for your support, Milldene Primary School PTFA

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Tesco Bag Design Competition

Thank you to everyone who entered the design competition.

The winning design this year came from St. Luke's Primary School, so well done to them!

Look out for the winning design in store soon.

Year 6 Leavers' Photo Essex Chronicle

The Essex Chronicle will be printing Year 6 Leavers' photos in their paper this week. Make sure to grab a copy!



Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the summer holidays. You can sign up at your local library, then read six library books of your choice to complete the Challenge. There are exclusive rewards to collect along the way, and it's FREE to take part! To top it all, the school with the greatest percentage of finalists wins a cup!

Every year there is a different theme and this year it is Animal Agents, illustrated by the UK's best-selling children's illustrator Tony Ross.

For more information, please visit the Reading Challenge website: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>.

Have fun!



The Hyve Dance & Arts Festival @ Hylands House
 Hylands Park, London Rd, Writtle, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 8WQ
17th September 2017
 10am til 10pm
 To book tickets and for more information visit www.thehyvefestival.co.uk

B's Blooms

This week we have a spectacular bouquet on display, complete with sparkles, thanks to B's Blooms.

If you would like a business card, please ask at the school office.

We hope that you agree that this is a lovely new addition to our entrance area. We look forward to seeing more displays in the weeks to come!