



# THE MILLER MONTHLY

## DECEMBER 2022

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**Our Website Address:**

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**Parent Council:** Please call the office if you would like to join.  
Chair: Mark Ingram

**Child Protection Co-ordinator:** Mrs Booth. Please speak to her about any concerns re a child's safety and welfare.

**School Vision:** Miller Primary strives to Get It Right for Every Child by embracing uniqueness and setting high standards for all.

### School Values:

- Rainbow Respect and Responsibility



- Amber Ambition



- Mathy Learning



- Oscar Trust and Honesty



**School Motto:** Together we'll succeed

**Absence Line:** Please call them if your child is not coming to school:  
**0141 287 0039**

### Health Promotion



We are a Health Promoting School, so please only send a healthy snack and a bottle for water into school. P1 to P3 children will get to colour in a chart each day they bring in a healthy snack which will earn them a class reward.

**Healthy snacks=  
healthy children=  
better concentration and  
learning= more progress.**

Dear Parents / Carers,

We would like to apologise for the delay in the newsletters being sent to you, but I have been absent from school for several weeks. I was excited to see the children when I returned yesterday. We are currently experiencing a high level of staff absence and we would ask for your patience at this time and I am sure will join us in wishing all our absent staff members a speedy recovery. Mrs Daraagh (formally Harkins) has left our school to start a new job and we wish her well. At the moment, we have no replacement for her, but please be assured we have staff in Primary 1 to support our P1 learners. In the Enhanced Nurture Provision, Mrs Summers has also moved onto another job and we wish her well for the future.

I hope to see you all at the **Christmas Fayre on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of December at 9:30am**. Please come into the school, sign in and then collect your child to go to the Fayre. Raffle tickets are **£1** a strip will be available from **tomorrow**. The Nativity rehearsals are well underway and the children from P1-3 will be performing on the 16<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am. You can buy up to 4 tickets per family and **tickets are available at the office as of today at £2 per ticket**. Any unsold tickets will be available from Monday if you need more than your allocated allowance.

Christmas parties take place on the 19.12.22 and will be held in school from 1:30-2:30pm. Please send your children in with their outfits in a bag or wearing them. Please do not come up to the school to remove your child to get dress them as we cannot facilitate staffing to go and get children and likewise we do not have the facility to allow you to come in and dress your child. Primary 7 will be going to Castlemilk High for their party and they will be having a disco along with P7s from other local schools who will feed into Castlemilk High. Please also feel free to come along to our **Christmas Service on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December which will be organised by P4b and P5 and our Choir** will also be performing. Tickets are **free**, but you need a ticket to attend.

### BACK GATES PARKING AND TURNING:

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK OR DRIVE OVER THE MONOBLOCKED AREA AT THE BACK GATES EVEN FOR JUST A SHORT TIME AS CHILDREN ARE TRYING TO COME INTO SCHOOL AND WE HAD AN INCIDENT LAST WEEK WHERE A CHILD WAS ALMOST RAN OVER. SAFETY IS SO IMPORTANT AT ALL TIMES.**

### Attendance

We want all our children to be very successful and as such, attendance at school is even more important. Please call the absence line on **0141 - 287-0039** if your child is going to be absent from school. Please also avoid taking holidays during term time as this can affect your child's progress and socialisation at school and it can be hard for children to settle back into school following a period of absence.

### Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing full uniform except on the party date as this helps us to be a team and promotes our sense of belonging.

### Behaviour

Please see the next page for more information. In January will be going back to basics with respect within the school. Please speak to your children about how they talk to each other and also to staff in the school as we have respect as both a value and a school rule. The level of respect shown by children is generally good, but we want it to improve to be excellent. Please remind your children to use their manners and to respectfully disagree with someone if they are upset / have an issue with someone. Everyone deserves to come to school and be respected and safe at all times.

If you have any concerns or you would like to discuss something with us, please do not hesitate to call the school and we will arrange a meeting with you as together we'll succeed. We wish you all a very happy and peaceful holiday.

Kind Regards

Mrs Lorraine Booth (Head Teacher)



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## Important Information:

### Attendance

Parents/Carers have a legal responsibility to send your child to school or inform the school why your child will not be in school that day. Holidays during term time are not allowed, so avoid holidays during valuable learning and teaching time. Removing your child to go on holiday is affecting their progress both educationally and socially as they miss out on so much. Whilst we appreciate that a holiday may be cheaper out with school holidays, your child will find it hard to catch up on missed learning and build routines again which ultimately affects their progress. Teachers are not allowed to prepare work in advance for you to take away with you on holiday. Children are expected to be at school every day for all 190 days a year. Please consider carefully if your child needs to be off school as even 1 day a week has a massive effect on your child's confidence and their learning. If your child is unwell, staff will try to help your child catch up with their learning, but it is important that your child comes back to school as soon as possible. It is your responsibility as a Parent/Carer to call the absence line on the morning of their absence on the following number: **0141 287 0039**. If your child's attendance falls below 95%, you will receive a letter and if your child's attendance is under 90%, you will be asked to come to a meeting in school about your child's attendance. If your child's attendance continues to fall, the Education Liaison Officer will become involved. **Please send your child to school every day.**

### School Uniform:



Our school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the very positive school ethos (atmosphere) within our school and it helps to set an appropriate tone for all children to learn. In Miller Primary **all children need to wear a uniform** as it instils pride and supports our promoting of Team Miller. It protects your child from social pressures and possible bullying about what they wear as it nurtures a sense of "we are all the same" in the children. **Our uniform is navy blue skirt/trousers/pinafore, a navy sweatshirt or cardigan and a light blue polo shirt.** Please do not send your child into school with jeans, joggers or hoodies. **Academy Uniforms is based on line and you can order uniform directly from them.**

### Promoting Positive Behaviour:

All children are expected to show respect for everyone in school and to follow the **3 school rules: Ready-listen, work and learn**

**Safe - make safe choices**

**Respectful - kind, patience and honest**

**All children deserve the right to play and learn in a place where they are respected and in which they feel like they belong.** Following our school rules will help children feel part of Team Miller and to feel respected. If a child is not following the rules, then Parents /Carers will be contacted to discuss the next steps. **Please help your child by constantly using these rules at home** and ensuring that your child follows them at home and in school.

**We are trying to build a team spirit within the school. Please encourage your child to settle any disputes calmly and respectfully. Together we can build a more settled community in Castlemilk.**

Dates for the Diary - All dates are subject to change

### Term 2

09.12.22	Christmas Fayre 9:30 all welcome
15.12.22	Christmas Lunch for the Children
16.12.22	Nativity 9:30, £2 a ticket
19.12.22	Christmas Parties in classes at 1:30.
20.12.22	Christmas Service at 9:30
22.12.22	School Closes for Holiday at 2:30pm

### Term 3

04.01.23	Children return to school
23.01.23	World at Work Week
25.01.23	Burns Event - Parents and Carers invited at 1:30
09.02.23	Parent and Child wellbeing walk at 9:15am
13.02/14.02	Holidays
15.02.23	In-Service Day 4, Children off school
02.03.23	World Book Day Parents invited at 9:30
13.03.23	Science Week
30.03.23	Easter Service at 9:30
30.03.23	Autism Awareness
31.03.23	School Closes at 2:30pm for the Holiday

### Term 4

17.04.23	Children return to school
25.04.23	Primary 1 Enhanced Transitions
01.05.23	Holiday. Children return on 02.05.23
02.05/ 09.05	Primary 1 Enhanced Transitions
18.05.23	Share the Ipad/Digital Learning at 9:15am
23.05.23	P1 Induction afternoon for all new P1s
24.05.23	Parents' Night from 3:30-8:30pm
25.05.23	In-Service Day 5. Children off school
26.05.23/29.05.23	Holidays. Children return on 30.05.23
01.06.23	School Show 1:30 £3.50 per ticket
06.06.23	P1 Induction afternoon for all new P1s
06.06.23	Whole school transition visit
07.06.23	Sports Day P1-4 9:30-10:30, P5-7 11:00-12:00
12.06.23	Prom 6-8 in Dining Hall P7
15.06.23	Whole school transition visit
16.06.23	Leavers' Assembly 9:30am
20.06.23	Awards Ceremony at 9:30am
23.06.23	School closes at 1pm for the Holidays
14.08.23	Staff return to school In-service Days
16.08.23	Children start school.