

# THE MILLER MONTHLY AUGUST 2022

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Our Website Address:

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Our Twitter is: @millerprimary

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,

Welcome back to school everyone and we would like to welcome all our new Primary 1 Parents and Carers. We hope you all had a restful and positive holiday and that you enjoyed the spells of good weather we have had. We start this session with the aim to include you more in your child's learning by inviting you into school more often this session. Please support your child by coming to the events which we are holding. You will find full details of all the events for the year on the next page.

It has been so good to see all our children returning to school and looking smart in their new school uniforms. Please read the section over the page about the importance of wearing uniform. I would like to take this opportunity that there is an expectation this session that all children wear their uniforms every day and that they bring a PE kit to wear to PE this session including a t-shirt, shorts and a change of trainers/gym shoes. The children will be using the changing rooms this session. If your child needs to wear de-odorant, please send them with a roll on as the sprays can sometimes activate the fire alarm. Thank you.

Likewise a wee update on the use of mobile phones, P5-7 only are allowed to bring their phones into school, but they must be turned off before coming into the school grounds and they must place them in the phone tin at the start of the day. Any child found filming in the school even on the way out of school, will be asked not to bring their phone into school for a period of time. If a child does not put their phone in the tin, then they will also not be allowed to have their phone in school for a period of time as these are school rules. If your child is not in P5-7 and has a reason to have their phone in school, please call the school office and speak to a member of the Management Team. Thank you.

We would encourage your child to bring a change of shoes for indoor use and this could be part of their PE Kit which would also be best left in school. As outdoors is being promoted by the Government, we will be going outside more often for learning, so please dress your child according to the weather in terms of footwear and waterproof jackets. Please remember to label your children's clothing as it is very hard to recover lost items with no names on them.

All our staff are delighted to see the children back at school. I can't believe how many of our children have grown over the holidays. We want this session to be very positive and for 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.

As Parents and Carers, you want the best for your child and we in Miller Primary also share that goal. Our motto states that Together We'll Succeed and as such we would value your positive input within the school. Please sign up and use the See Saw and Showbie Apps as this is how we communicate information including our newsletters. Please make sure we have up to date email addresses and also phone numbers for you and your emergency contacts.

Finally, we would like to welcome Miss Allison to P7b and we welcome back Mrs McBrearty in P5 and Mr Flanagan in P2. This session we have additional 2 new Support for Learning Workers - Miss McLaughlin and Mrs Healy who are both joining our Enhanced Nurture Provision. I am sure they will all have a positive impact within the school. You will be able to meet your child's teacher soon at our meet the teacher event.

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 in sorting anything to ensure your child is happy in school.

Thank you.

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: Readylisten, 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.

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Term 1			
17.08.22	Children come to school		
25.08.22	Meet the Teacher at 9:15 am.		
23.09/26.09	Holiday both Days. 27th Children back to school		
29.09.22	Maths with Families Session. At 9:15am		
03.10.22	Dyslexia Week		
13.10.22	Parents' Night from 3:30-8:30pm		
14.10.22	In-service Day 3, Children off school		
17.10-21.10	October Holiday. Children return to school Mon 24th		

Term 2		
27.10.22	Halloween Party 1:30-2:30 for all classes	
17.11.22	Anti-Bullying Week, Share the learning at 9:15	
18.11.22	Children in Need Event for the children	
20.11.22	Modern Languages Week	
09.12.22	Christmas Fayre	
16.12.22	Nativity 9:30, £3 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	
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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.	