

# THE MILLER MONTHLY JANUARY 2023

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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,

Happy new year everyone and I hope 2023 is going to be a fantastic year for you all and here in the school. Thank you to bearing with us at the end of the last term when the school was closed for 3 days due to having no running water or flushing toilets and also 2 burst pipes in the gym cupboard! Despite the setback, the children in P1-3 put on an amazing Nativity which was well attended by Parents and Carers. We still squeezed in a panto to the school which was funded by our school fund - oh yes, we did! We had Christmas parties for all the children and they all had fun. Santa popped in to see P1 and P2 as well. It was a lovely end to the session.

This term we have more opportunities for Parents' to be involved in the school and come along to see your child or learn with your child. Please see overleaf the events which are coming up and you will note that our whole school Burns event is returning. Tickets are free and you can get them from the office from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of January. Please note that there is only 1 ticket per family, as we can only have 200 in the hall. If we have any unclaimed tickets on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> of January they will be available after school for anyone wanting more than one ticket. You need a ticket to get in for fire regulations and you are unable to get tickets on the afternoon of the event. Please do not be offended, but if you do not have a ticket, you will not be allowed in, sorry.

Health and Safety: The weather is very changeable at the moment and we would advise everyone to be careful coming to school on icy or snowy days. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather as we do not want children coming in with soaking wet shoes, etc if it can be helped as it is not good for them. Also, please do not park over the crossing area at the front gates as this is making it very difficult to ensure the children are crossing the road safely. At the back gates, please do not use the in shot of the school as a turning circle or drive quickly past the back-gate area as children are coming out of school. If your child is waiting with you for older siblings, etc please ensure that they are safe at all times rather than running around, this applies to both gates.

Smart Watches: We have noticed an increase in children wearing smart watches to school as a result of Christmas. Although we encourage devices to tell the time and of course to promote fitness, please speak to your child about using their watches responsibly in school - they are not allowed to use them to call anyone, take pictures, record people or play games during lessons. Any child who is found to be doing is in breech of our school rules of being safe, ready and respectful. Therefore, we will call you about this and your child will not be allowed to wear their watch to school for a period of time. We appreciate your co-operation with this issue as we want all learners to be safe in school and we respect their privacy including that of staff.

Online/App Safety: We have had an increasing number of distressed children in school over the last term who have been cyber bullied or threatened via online discussions, online through apps and also when playing online games. We would ask you to ensure that your child is being safe and respectful online and that you have given permission for them to use these apps, watch you tube videos and also play games which are age inappropriate. Although instant online access is fantastic for everyone, it needs to be used sensibly and in school we continue to work with children on being safe and respectful online. We will contact you about any concerns we are aware of at the time, but ultimately, the Police can become involved as it is happening outside of school and we do not want our children coming into school upset or scared.

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.

Kind Regards

Mrs Lorraine Booth (Head Teacher)



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### **Important Information:**

Back to Basics: In 2023, we are going back to basics and we would appreciate your support to ensure that the children are living out or values.

- Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the full school uniform which is blue or black trousers or skirt or pinafore, a shirt and tie or light blue polo top and a navy-blue jumper. School uniform helps to promote a sense of belonging and helps to promote equality.
- Attendance levels were poor in the school last term and we need to improve this for children in order for children to learn and achieve their maximum potential. Please ensure you send your child to school everyday on time. If your child is unwell, please call the absence line on the following number: 0141 287 0039. The Home Support Worker will be involved if your child's attendance continues to fall without you contacting us to tell us why your child is absent.
- 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.

Dates for the Diary - All dates are subject to change		
Term 3		
04.01.23	Children return to school	
10.01.23	Strike – school closed	
16.01.23	Strike- school closed	
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.	Holidays	
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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	
26.05.23/29.0	Holidays. Children return on	
5.23	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.	