



# THE MILLER MONTHLY

## NOVEMBER 2023

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**Our Website Address:**

[www.miller-pri.glasgow.sch.uk](http://www.miller-pri.glasgow.sch.uk)

**Our Twitter is:** @millerprimary

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

Chair: Mark Ingram

**Child Protection Co-ordinator:** Mrs Peers. 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,

I hope your child has been telling you all about their learning over the last month. Thanks to everyone who attended Maths with Families and we hope you enjoyed sharing in your child's learning. Thanks also to all the Parents and Carers who attended Parents' Night or had a Parents' Night phone call from the Teacher. I am sure you were all very proud of your child's achievements and you learned about how they are doing with their learning. We have a **share the learning session on 16<sup>th</sup> November** where you will get the opportunity to come in and work with your child. Please come along on **16.11.23 at 9:30am**. We look forward to seeing you there.

I have a few health and safety concerns to share with you which the Parent Council raised recently. When you are driving into the school, please remember to be slow as you never know when children are coming in and out. Also, if you are parking your car to collect your child, please park in a proper space and not on the kerb beside the side gates as it is causing a blockage for staff when they are bringing the younger children out to their parents/carers. We would ask that you please park out of the school in the afternoons as this will relieve this issue and also allow you to leave the school once you have collected your child as you do not have to wait until the gates open at 3:10 if you park outside.

Likewise, when parking outside the school at the front gates please be respectful of the crossing area and the driveways of houses on Arden Craig Road. This will allow children to cross safely and it will also make our neighbours happy! At the back gates, please drive slowly when approaching the school area as the children often run around this space whilst waiting for older siblings to come out of school. Please do not use the in shot where the children come out to turn your car as we have had an incident where a child was almost ran over! Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

I would like to welcome Miss McGregor to the school as a Teacher. Miss McGregor is replacing Mrs McBrearty who is now on maternity leave. She will be taking literacy groups and covering some staff non-class contact time. We hope she will be happy here at Miller. Miss Hudson has settled into Primary 1 in place of Mrs Rodwell who is also on maternity leave. Although we have had a number of staffing changes over the last few months, we are working hard to ensure that we have consistency of teaching approaches throughout the school and that support groups continue to run.

Weekly assemblies continue to take place on a Wednesday afternoon. During assembly we celebrate our Values Important People Awards and we also have our fortnightly award for Effort in Learning called the Head Teacher's Learning Award. We also want to celebrate your child's achievements out of school. If your child has done well with something at home or at a club and you are proud of them, please come into the office foyer and complete an achievement shield nomination form so that your child can receive an award at assembly or if you cannot manage to pop in, please call the office and they will fill one out for you. You can nominate your child for anything e.g. being able to now ride a bike or helping out at home all the time, awards at clubs, etc. This can be done throughout the school year at any time.

Thank you.

Mrs Lorraine Peers (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. **Please send your child to school every day.**

**Online:** I am aware that many of our children have Social Media accounts which they use outside of school. Please can you check what your children are doing on these accounts as there have been recent incidents of **cyber bullying or inappropriate use of the apps and this has spilled into school**. It is difficult for all the children involved as they have to see each other on a daily basis in school. We have asked that all children show respect even when online. **Our 5 Keys to Success- Our learning and teaching charter:**

- **Ready to Learn:** This key is focusing on our classrooms and making them the best place for children to learn and also ensuring our rules and values are being followed.
- **All About Learning:** This key is focused on the children talking about their learning and knowing what they are learning. It also focuses on what success looks like.
- **Challengers:** This key is all about children challenging themselves, being challenged in their learning by the Teacher and also on being given support when needed. It also promotes deep thinking through high quality questions from the Teacher.
- **Team Learners:** This key develops both children's independent work skills as well as their skills in working together to solve problems.
- **Feedback / Feedforward:** This key stresses the importance of giving children high quality feedback on their learning which they should use to improve their learning. It also emphasises the importance of children making comments on their own work and the work of other children to help them improve their learning.

Dates for the Diary - All dates are subject to change

Term 2	
16.11.23	Share the learning for Parents 9:30am
17.11.23	Children in need event
08.12.23	Christmas Fayre 9:30am
15.12.23	Carol Concert P4- P7 Parents welcome at 9:30
18.12.23	Christmas Parties 1.30
20.12.23	Nativity 9.30
22.12.23	School closes 2.30

Term 3	
08.01.24	Children return to school
25.01.24	Burns Event 1.30
06.02.24	Children's Mental Health Week
09.02.24	Parent and Child walk 9.30
12.02&13.02	Holiday
14.02.24	In-Service 4
29.02.24	World Book Day Parents 9.30
27.03.24	Easter Service
28.03.24	School Closes 2.30

Term 4	
15.04.24	Children return to school
24.04.24	P6 Class Assembly 1:30
01.05.24	P1 Class assembly 1:30
02.05.24	In-Service 5
06.05.24	Holiday
08.05.24	P2/1 Class assembly
13.05.24	Digital Week
15.05.24	P3 Class assembly 1:30
22.05.24	Parent's night 3.30-8.30
24.05.24	Holiday
27.05.24	Spring Bank Holiday
29.05.24	P3/4 Class Assembly
03.06.24	Outdoor learning week
04.06.24	P1 induction/whole School Transitions
05.06.24	Sports Day P1-P4 9.30, P5-P7 11.00
11.06.24	P1 Induction/whole School Transitions
12.06.24	P5 Class Assembly
13.06.24	Prom 6-8
18.06.24	P1 Induction/whole School Transitions
19.06.24	Possible School Show? 1.30
21.06.24	Leavers Assembly 9.30
24.06.24	Awards Ceremony 9.30
26.06.24	School closes 1.00

