

Millbrook Junior School

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Class Assemblies

February 28th

Austen Class Assembly

March 6th

Shakespeare Class Assembly

These assemblies start at 9.00am.
You are all welcome to join us to celebrate our children's learning.

Parent/Carer Evenings

Please note that Parent/Carer Evenings are **Tuesday 11th February 3.30pm to 6.30pm** and **Thursday 13th February 3.30pm to 6.30pm**. If you haven't already booked your appointment then please speak to Julie Clipstone in the office, who will help you.

Training Day

Don't forget, **Friday 14th February** is a Training Day for Millbrook Junior School and the school will be closed to pupils.

Year 5/6 Drugs Talk

We recently welcomed Vanessa from Narconon Drug Prevention. She spoke to the year 5 and 6 children about drugs and alcohol. Vanessa was very informative and talked honestly with the children about the effects that taking drugs and drinking alcohol have on the body, both mentally and physically. The response from the children was very positive. In the feedback, some children mentioned that they felt that the message Vanessa gave was so important that every child needs to hear it. Others have said how interesting they found the talk and that many hadn't realised how bad drugs could be. It was a brilliant talk and I am sure we will be asking Vanessa back in the future.

Year 4 Roman Day

On the 29th January, Year 4 had a Roman day. The children (and staff) dressed in Roman costumes to get real taste of what it was like to live over 2000 years ago. In the morning, each class moved around the year-

P.A.T.H

Please remember to use PATH meetings to speak to the class teacher. (Parent/Carer and Teacher Hours) every Monday from 3.30pm until 5.30pm.

Appointments can also be made during this time to meet with Senior Leaders of the school.

Please do take the opportunity to come along and have a chat. We care about your children and want to work with you to get it right.

You can make an appointment with the class teacher directly or by phoning/emailing the school office.

If you have a complaint, please make sure you follow the school Complaints Policy which can be found on the school website.

group to participate in different activities. These included the following: playing a Roman game, working out how to write their name in Latin, designing a brooch and identifying different Roman artefacts and guessing their uses. In the afternoon, the children had the chance to try out some Roman sporting activities such as throwing the javelin and archery practice. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and are now looking forward to jumping forward 1000 years to be Vikings in the summer term.

FOMS Art Competition

FOMs were delighted with the response to our art competition following the theme of pollution using recycled Christmas paper, sweet papers and other Christmas waste. The amount of thought and the skills that the children used were superb. Our Chair of governors, Mr Davies, found it very hard to judge and was truly impressed with the entrants. We will be displaying the amazing work for everyone to see during parents evening. The winners from each year group received vouchers and each entrant also received a small treat.

The following children were winners: Hannah C for band in a box, Tabitha C for pollution wave, Kyana H-B for recycled dress and Lukas A-T for globe.

Sporting Events

This term, Millbrook Junior School has been represented by several sports teams participating in KSSP events. Teams involved Year 3 and 4 and Year 5 and 6 gymnastics. Both teams showed off their excellent gymnastic talents in three routines, with Year 3 and 4 finishing a respectful 7th and Year 5 and 6 finishing 10th. Well done to Fallon B-R, Maisie H, Lily C, Catriona N, Syra M, Keira C, Annabelle E and Lilly W.

Special recognition goes to the Year 4 and 5 Boccia team, who won their tournament, beating competition from 16 other teams. They will now go on to represent the school at the winter school games. Well done to Georgina S, Rhys D, Ben P, Chester M and Lilly S who showed great focus and effort to achieve this!

Collecting your child from school – During the school day

If you are collecting your child for an appointment, please try to avoid collecting during the period 12.15pm - 1.15pm as the children are eating their lunch and playing outside at this time. At this time, it can take a while to locate them and for them to get their things. If possible, please arrange to collect before 12.15pm or after 1.15pm.

Special Mention

Don't forget, if your child has taken part in something amazing or has made a fantastic achievement outside of school, then let us know so we can all help to celebrate this by adding it to our newsletter.

Regular notes:

Safeguarding: *If you have any concerns about the welfare of any child in our school, or you wish to discuss aspects of safeguarding, please speak with our Designated Safeguarding Lead or one of our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. Alternatively contact the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub on **0300 126 1000**.*

Attendance: *Please remember that schools are **not** allowed to authorise holiday in term times. Leave of Absence forms should be completed. There is no entitlement to leave during term time and it will only be approved under exceptional circumstances which need to be explained and evidence produced. Failure to comply with this will mean a referral to the Local Authority which may result in a fine and court action. Please refer to the school attendance policy which is available from the school office or on our website. Thank you in supporting us to ensure your children have every opportunity for success in their education.*