FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2019

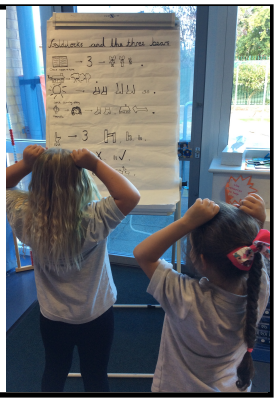
Mile Cross Primary School

Working As One.

Nursery have been practising gluing, sticking and decorating their own rainbow fish.

This week in Mathematics **Reception** classes have been learning how to make two colour repeating patterns.

In English, **Year 1** have been using our class story map to practice retelling the story 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears".



Year 2 have started their science work looking at types of materials. We looked at lots of objects and classified them by what they are made out of.

Mrs Breeze gave **Year 3** a master class in Stone Age painting. Look out for our work being displayed in school soon.

Year 4 have been looking at pictures of artefacts found in Norfolk. The archaeologists who discovered them say that they are almost 2000 years old. We are using our historical skills to try to work out what they are.

Year 5 have been working hard in maths to become confident in their understanding of place value. Today we ordered 6 and 7 digit numbers by looking at how many followers some famous people have on Twitter.

This week, **Year 6** delivered their House Captain speeches. Well done to everyone who put themselves forward and congratulations to our new House Captains!

Summer Reading Challenge

Well done to the many children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge 2019. As well as receiving a certificate and a medal at Mile Cross Library earlier in the week, they were all presented with 20 House Points in assembly today. **Keep reading your imaginations bigger!**

Mobile Phones

As you might have already seen there are posters up in the playground encouraging a 'Mobile Free Zone for parents. **'Greet your child with a smile ...not a mobile'** Thank you for your support.

Feedback

We really appreciate and respond to the feedback we are given. It helps make us an even better school. You can also give us feedback on our website www.milecrossprimary.com and click on the blue and white circle icon bottom left.

Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England

Enhanced Healthy School Year 3

LEAF Education Farmer and Educator Member

LINK

Here are the Golden Ticket winners who were presented to the children last Friday. The winners each week will be a child from every class who has read at least 5 times a week, completed their homework (Reading or Times Tables), attended school all week (on time) and has an amazing 'can do' attitude towards their learning. Winners will have their photo in a frame outside their classrooms, be celebrated at the front of Monday's assembly and will join Mr Allen's Golden Table at 12pm for a special lunch with cake the following Monday.

Reception: Alex Pavel & Scarlett Pownall

Year 1: Paul Gibbins & Skye Macey

Year 2: Alfie-Jack Woods-Chapman & Reaghan Crotch

Year 3: Aleisha Elfleet & Gemma Cocks

Year 4: Leo Slater-May & Summer Hinton

Year 5: Callum Hughes & Summer Jasper

Year 6: Harlei Clulow & Areen Shalaw

Children with 97% or more attendance will be invited to the end of term Attendance Reward trip. There are 72 school days this term. If your child misses two days of school this will be below 97%

Important dates and information...

Tues. 17th Sept. [1-3pm]	Yr1 Little People's Drama Session - Hall
Thurs. 19th Sept. [9.00-10.15am]	Yr 5 Story Cafe - Miss Mussellwhite's class
Fri. 20th Sept. [9.00-10.15am]	Yr 5 Story Cafe - Mrs Healing's class
Fri. 20th Sept. [9.30-11.30am]	Crucial Crew - Safety Training for Yr 6 - Norfolk Showground
Fri. 20th Sept. [1-3pm]	Yr1 Little People's Drama Session - Hall
Weds. 25th Sept. [8.45-10.30am]	What's the Local Offer? (SEN Drop In Cafe for parents)
Weds. 25th Sept. [All day]	Bounce-a-thon (Sponsored trampolining challenge)
Thurs. 26th Sept. [Times TBC]	Camouflaged Learning World of Work Event for Yr5 & Yr6 children and parents
Fri. 27th Sept. [8.45-9.45am]	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Fri. 27th Sept. [9-11am]	Yr4 PE Cafe - Hall

	Hot Dinners	Pasta King	Pick & Mix
Mon	Margherita Pizza (v) Pasta Spirals in Tomato Sauce with Garlic Bread	Beef Bolognese (v) Vegetable Bolognese	Wrap Sandwich or Baguette (range of fillings)
Tues	Pork & Apple Burger in a Bun (v) Southern Style Quorn Burger in a Bun	Bangers & Beans (v) Tomato Sauce	Cut Fresh Salad Vegetables and Fruit
Wed	Chicken & Gravy Pie with Potatoes (v) Vegetarian Bolognese & Pasta	BBQ Chicken (v) BBQ Quorn	A snack (eg. Cheese straw, mini pizza etc.)
Thur	Roast Pork Loin & All the Trimmings (v) Cheese & Potato Pie	Meatballs in Sauce (v) Vegetarian Sausage Stew	Fruit Juice
Fri	Crispy Baked Fish Fillet & Chips (v) Vegetarian Hotdog Roll & Chips	Chicken Tikka (v) Cheese Sauce	A Tasty Dessert

Attendance Matters!

Children need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind.

There are 72 school days this term. If your child is 97% and above they will have an Attendance Reward trip to the Theatre Royal to see the pantomime this term.

Over the year…

100% attendance	=	0 days off	=	0 weeks off
95% attendance	=	9 school days off	=	Nearly 2 weeks of learning missed
90% attendance	=	18 school days off	=	Nearly 4 weeks of learning missed
85% attendance	=	27 school days off	=	A ½ term of learning missed
75% attendance	=	45 school days off	=	More than a term of learning missed

Attendance remaining below 90% with no signs of improvement results in a **Fast Track attendance meeting** being called to identify ways we can work together to improve attendance. **Warning:** If through this process your child's attendance does not improve you risk court action and a fine in excess of £1 500.

Being late matters…

He's/she's only missing…'	That equals	Which is…	And over 13 years of school that's
10 minutes per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks a year	Nearly ½ a year
20 minutes per day	1hr 40 mins per week	Over 2 ½ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	½ a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years

Parents you are welcome to take your children into class from 8.35am. If you're late please ensure that you sign them in at the office. The gates are locked at 9am. A child coming into school after 9.10am will be given a late 'U' code on the register. This is will count as an absence on your child's attendance figure. [If your child receives 10 'U' codes within 100 sessions, a Penalty Notice can be issued and a fine payable (£60/£120)].

Expectations

Please bring your child to school EVERY DAY. If they are ill, please take them to the doctors and bring a note into school if possible. Phone school EVERY morning that your child does not attend, before 9am, so that their attendance records are kept accurate. If your child needs to have an appointment during the school day, please bring them in either before or after the appointment – making sure they can get their mark in the register at 8.40am and 1pm respectively.
Taking your child on holiday during school time: it is more than likely that you will receive a fixed penalty fine.

Incentives

We'd simply prefer your child in school every day. No school we know of does more than us to reward great attendance – with the Attendance Reward Trips (termly), the Attendance League, the Attendance Shield, class certificates etc. But the greatest incentive should be that your child is making great progress and achieving their very best in an outstanding school.

To all parents of 2 year olds and 3 year olds,

We are signing up families for this amazing opportunity.

Let's Talk at Home

Boost your child's talking and learning through four simple effective Talking Tips

- Come to six, one hour play sessions with your child.
- Meet other parents.
- Experienced practitioners and Speech and Language Therapists will help you to use the Talking Tips while your child plays.
- Receive a big box of useful toys and resources if you attend all six sessions.

Course details

Venues	Dates	Contact
The Phoenix Centre	**Week 1:** Tuesday 1st October 9:30-10:30 or 10:45-11:45 **Week 2-6:** Tuesdays from 8th October to 12th November 9:30–10:30	Elizabeth Hughes 07452 931988 elizabeth.hughes3@norfolk.gov.uk
The Phoenix Centre	**Week 1:** Tuesday 1st October 12:30 – 13:30 or 13:45 – 14:45 **Week 2-6:** Tuesdays from 8th October to 12th November 11:15 – 12:15	Oliver Joyce 07452931991 oliver.joyce2@norfolk.gov.uk
St Anne's Church Hall	**Week 1:** Wednesday 2nd October 9:20 – 10:20 or 10:35– 11:35 **Week 2-6:** Wednesday from 9th October to 13th November 9:30 – 10:30	Julie Sullivan 07385025065 julie.sullivan@norfolk.gov.uk
Cadge Road Community Centre	**Week 1:** Wednesday 2nd October 12:30 – 13:30 or 13:45 – 14:45 **Week 2-6:** Wednesday from 9th October to 13th November 11:30 – 12:30	Megan Parsons 07452931990 megan.parsons2@norfolk.gov.uk

Speak to our Communication Champions;
Miss Maceachern (SENCO),
Miss Hall (Reception Class Teacher) or Miss Ruffell (Year 1 Class Teacher)
to find out more information.