

Milborne Message 08/11/19

Message from Sharon Hunt!

Dear Parents,

I was really pleased with the take up for our **Marathon for Kids Club** in school . The children were very keen and I look forward to working with them to build everyone's stamina and fitness over time.

There have been some significant changes in Education both nationally and for us at Milborne First School and I would like to share some of these with you. To this end, I would like to invite you to a meeting at school on **Friday 29th November at 2pm**. I hope you will be able to join me then, but I will send out a summary in the newsletter following the meeting.

Thank you to everyone who has been sharing children's experiences and learning on **Tapestry**. It has been great to see what they have been doing and to be able to use these as a prompt for further discussion. If you have any problems accessing Tapestry, please contact the office.

We had a really busy, informative **INSET Day** on 4th November. It was a pleasure to listen to Mary Myatt and be part of the high quality training workshops at Thomas Hardy School.

A reminder that all children need to have a **named water bottle** in school. This enables them to access reasonable quantities of water in a hygienic way and also teaches them about keeping hydrated and about looking after their personal property.

It's been great to see so many familiar faces today when the **Year 8s** visited to work on **Multi Skills** with our children. It is such a strength of our pyramid to keep the links with past pupils. I know the staff and children enjoyed seeing them again.

Unfortunately **Miss Wittman** is poorly at the moment, but we welcome Miss Robyn Milverton who is covering in her absence and we wish Miss Wittman a speedy recovery.

Children in need is coming up on the 15th November and the children are invited to wear something spotty and contribute £2 per child to Children in Need.

Thank you to our **Year 4 helpers** who showed new parents around this morning and to Mrs Richards and Mrs Dennis who helped with coffee and cake.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Yours sincerely,



Sharon Hunt

Key information

- **SWIMMING - YEAR 3** will be starting on Monday, 11th November until the 9th December. Please could the children remember to bring in their swimming kit. Thank you.
- **Trees4Dorset 2020 Calendar** - Please see the attached pictures of the front and back covers of the Trees for Dorset 2020 Calendar. Proceeds from the sale of this calendar will go towards the educational sessions and tree planting sessions they carry out in the schools. For more details on how purchase one of these beautiful calendars please go to their website. www.treesofdorset.co.uk.
- **Cool Milk Competition** - **Grab the crayons and let's get crafty.** We're inviting children to design this year's Cool Milk Christmas card for their chance to have their artwork immortalised in print to share with family and friends - **and win some great prizes.**

We'd love to see your colourful creations that involve milk in some way. You can use any medium you like, as long as you include milk in a fun, festive way. [Here](#) is last year's top 10 gallery if you need a little inspiration.



What's on offer?

1st prize: the triumphant design will be professionally printed as Cool Milk's official 2019 Christmas card. We'll also send the winning pupil some copies of their own to share out among friends and family, and they'll receive a £50 Amazon gift card, and a FREE trip to [the LEGOLAND® Windsor Resort](#) for their class in 2020.

Runners-up: Two schools will receive a £25 Amazon voucher each (one per setting).

To enter, print off the form attached, and get creative. Once completed, post the entry forms back to FREEPOST Cool Milk (no further address needed) or **email them** to marketing@coolmilk.com as a scanned colour PDF by Wednesday 27th November. Remember, the winning design will be professionally printed, so entries that are not fully visible will sadly not be able to be considered.

EXTERNAL Information:-

- **THE COAT BANK:-** Please see the attached of where you can go for a Coat.
- **FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE** - Please follow the link to the latest information:- <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/octoberfisnewsletter?e=5ad5011868>
- **ADMISSION Consultation:-** Dorset are running the annual consultation on the School Admission Arrangements for 2021/2022 with effect from **Monday 14th October 2019 to Friday 22nd November 2019**. Details of the consultation will be available to view at <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/your-council/consultations/find-a-consultation.aspx>. Responses

must be submitted either in writing to School Admissions Team, Dorset Council, County Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ or by email to schoolorganisation@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk by **Friday 22nd November 2019**. Upon the conclusion of the consultation period all responses will be considered carefully and a report will be presented to The People Scrutiny Committee prior to the determination deadline on 28th February 2020.

Key Dates:-

- 13th Nov - School Nurse Drop-in session (9:00 - 9:15)
- 15th Nov - Children in Need day (Wear something Spotty £2 donation)
- 19th Nov - Raccoons Class assembly (9:00 - 9:30)
- 22nd Nov - Reception Stay and Play Maths session (9:00 - 10:00)
- 29th Nov - Whole School Parent Meeting run by Mrs Hunt (School Hall 2:00 - 3:00pm)
- 4th Dec - Friends of School Christmas Lunch & Party
- 13th Dec - Christmas Jumper day
- 16th Dec - Reception Christmas Play
- 17th Dec - Robins (Y1 & Y2) Christmas Play
- 18th Dec - Raccoons (Y3 & Y4) Christmas Play
- 18th Dec - Carol Service @ Church (2:15pm - 3:00pm)
- 20th Dec - Last Day of Term (**1:15pm Close**)
- **21st Dec - 5th Jan - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**
- 6th Jan - Children back to school