

Weekly Bulletin

Friday 22nd September

Dear Parents/Carers

Parking outside School

We have had numerous reports of people parking inconsiderately at school during drop off and collection times. You must ensure that you are parked in a proper car parking space and that your vehicle is not blocking anyone else in or blocking any crossings or driveways.

Please respect the parking restrictions outside schools. They are there for the safety of everyone. **Parking is not permitted on the Zig Zag lines**. We will be asking the traffic officers to visit the school at busy times and if you park on the zig zag lines, you may be fined.

Illness

This is the time of year for coughs and colds. Your child can attend school if they have a cold with a runny nose but are feeling generally well. We always have tissues in the classrooms. If your child is unwell and cannot attend, please telephone the school or submit an absence request on school spider before 8:30am to let us know.

You can often treat a cold without seeing your GP or visiting the hospital. You can buy cough and cold medicines from pharmacies or supermarkets. A pharmacist can advise you on the best medicine.

Please remember that if your child has a tummy bug and has been vomiting or has diarrhea, they should not return to school for 48 hours after the last sign of illness.

Lateness

It is important to come to school on time every day. The school day begins at 8.45am but we encourage all children to come at 8.35am and join in with morning task. Time lost in the mornings can mount up quickly in lost education and cause disruption for other children in the class.

Attendance

W/C 11 th September		
Year	Class Name	% Attendance
Rec.	Hedgehogs	92.5%
KS1	Squirrels	92.9%
KS1	Rabbits	92.4%
KS1	Owls	98.8% 1 st
Rec/KS1	Foxes	92.4%
Total attendance		93.9%

Well done **Owls** with an attendance of **98.8%** for the week beginning **11th September**

The whole school attendance for the week of 11th September was 93.9%.

We are aiming for 97%, please help us reach this target.

Good attendance at school is important for your child's development & progress. Please ensure your child attends every day and not take holidays in term time.

We want every child to be a H.E.R.O every day.

Here.

Every day.

Ready to learn.

On time.

Diary Dates

Monday 18 th September	3:15 – 4:15pm	DANCE CLUB (KS1) Places to be booked on School Spider
Friday 22 nd September	AM	TUCK SHOP (RECEPTION & KS1) 20p Every Friday morning.
Friday 29 th September	9am	Willows Café (For parents/Carers) No need to book, just come along.
Wednesday 4 th October	ALL DAY	Individual Pupil Photographs
Friday 13 th October	3:15pm – 5pm	FILM CLUB (KS1) Places to be booked on School Spider

Starting School For The First Time or Moving up to Year 3 in September 2024?

Children who are in nursery and celebrated their 3rd birthday before 31st August 2023 or are in **Year 2** must apply for a School place now, ready for September 2024. Although the deadline for applications is Sunday 15th January, don't delay – apply online by the end of November, then you can relax and forget about it.



In England every parent must apply for a place for their child at a school, even if it's linked to their child's current nursery. Maximise your chance of getting a preferred Reception or Year 3 place by doing the following:

Apply on time

- The closing date is 15th January 2024
- Any applications received after this will be processed after national offer day
- A late application means you are less likely to get any of your preferences
- Notifications of the places offered will be made on 16th April 2024 (unless your application is late)

Apply online

- You can only apply online at <u>www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u>
 between1st September 2023 and 15th
 January 2024
- You will be able to view, update and submit your application through the portal
- Communication with you will be quicker and your application will be secure

Use all four preferences

- You can apply for up to four schools. The schools will not know in which order you have placed the preferences
- Each preference is considered in its own right, so please ensure that you give yourself four separate chances
- If more than one school is able to offer your child a place then the order of preferences is important, so ensure you list the schools in the order that you want them considered

Choose Wisely

- Ensure you are aware of the oversubscription criteria for your preference schools. This is how all the applications will be ranked
- Don't assume you will be allocated a place at your catchment school if you don't state it as one of your preferences
- For Year 3 applications, give consideration to your secondary school liaison group – is your preferred school linked to the secondary school within the area?
- Don't assume your child will get priority just because they attend a nursery class attached to your preferred school
- Consider how easy it is for you to get your child to and from school.

Come in!

For tasty food and good company





Free meals Thursdays 7.00pm

Everyone is welcome

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