# Milton St. John's CE Primary School Newsletter

Wednesday 1 May 2024

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## MCSP MATHS CHALLENGE



A huge well done to Rory, Daisy, Angelique and Iris in Year 5 for representing Milton at the MCSP maths challenge today which was held at Mossley Hollins. The children did so well and were leading right up to the last question, but were sadly pipped at the end by Micklehurst All Saints. Well done to everyone involved and a big thank you to Mr Frost and the Maths hub for organising it.

#### **BROWNLEE MINI TRIATHLON 12.6.24 – KS2 CHILDREN**

Polite reminder - A letter was sent out on Monday to parents of children in KS2 about a fantastic opportunity for the children to take part in a triathlon event. Please see the email for further details

If you would like your child to take part, please complete the link below by <u>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 4pm</u>

#### https://forms.office.com/e/hZQaNGPuCd

Unfortunately, places are limited, therefore, if we receive more replies than spaces available, we will draw names out of a hat to allocate the places.

#### **SPORTS DAY**

Sports Day this year will be on 20 June during Sports week (weather permitting). We will be following the same format as previous years. The children are allowed to come to school each day in their sports kit ready to participate in various events which will include Sports Day.

Parents/carers are all welcome to attend. Please see approximate times below.

9.10 - 9.55 - Reception/Nursery 10.10 - 10.55 - Year 3/4 11.10 - 11.55 - Year 1/2 1.20 - 2.05 - Year 5/6

#### **STAFF CHANGES**

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Miss Hazeldine and Miss O'Callaghan and would like to thank them for their hard work at Milton and wish them all the best. We would also like to welcome Mrs Gerrard (Year 3 teacher covering Mrs Johnson's maternity leave) and Miss Oldham to the Milton St John's team. Mrs Murray will be supporting Year 4 for the rest of the academic year and Miss Oldham will be with EYFS.

### WHIT FRIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSES 1.30PM ON THIS DAY

As previously mentioned, Whit Friday is on 24 May this year. Years 1 - 6 will enjoy taking part in this great community event and will be walking in the Whit Walk.

We appreciate any support from parents/carers for the walk. If you are able to help (9am to dinnertime) please complete this form: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/uqdesJCpz4">https://forms.office.com/e/uqdesJCpz4</a>

In previous years a number of children have walked with other community groups and were brought in to get their mark for registration before being taken to meet their group. This caused some confusion when parents had organised for other parents to take their child after registration and we had no knowledge of their permission. To avoid this confusion and make things a little easier for parents, if your child is walking with another community group, please email us and let us know at <a href="mailton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk">admin@milton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk</a>. Please detail who your child is walking with and who will be bringing your child back to school after the walks. If your child is walking with a group and you have emailed us to let us know, please do not bring your child into school for registration on that morning. We will mark your child in so their attendance is not affected. However, if your child does not return to school after the walk they will be marked as absent. If we don't hear from you to say your child is walking with another organisation and your child is absent this morning, attendance will be followed up in the usual way. If your child is on school meals their meal will be ordered on this day as normal.

We look forward to taking part in this traditional event, but please note that school will close on this day at 1.30pm and all children will need picking up.

#### **NURSERY AND RECEPTION DONATIONS**

Mrs Fernley is looking to develop loose parts play in Nursery and Reception. She would be grateful for any donations of corks, curtain rings, unwanted keys, buttons, plastic bottle tops, shells, conkers, pine cones or anything else that you have that they could use! Mrs Fernley would also be grateful for any unwanted dolls, cars, building blocks and any plastic or wicker baskets. Donations can be dropped off at the school office. Thank you.

#### **COUNCIL SURVEY ON WRAP AROUND CARE**

The Council want to hear parent's views on wraparound childcare for primary school pupils - i.e. both before school and after school childcare - as they need to make sure that there are enough wraparound places to meet the demand in the Tameside locality.

They would be extremely grateful if you could complete this short survey before Friday, 3rd May, 2024. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Tameside-WraparoundParentsSurvey

## **NURSERY/RECEPTION PLACES – SEPTEMBER 24**

We still have some Nursery and Reception places available for September. If your child was born between 1.9.20 and 31.8.21, your child is eligible to start in nursery in September. We also have some Reception places available from September too, so please get in touch.

We know a number of parents that work sometimes worry about childcare before and after school when their child starts Nursery/Reception, however, we are very fortunate to have Castletop and Skools Out on our doorstep who are more than happy to drop off or collect your child if the start and finishing times don't quite work for you.

If you would like to contact Skools Out or Castletop about what they can offer, please see their details below.

Skools Out: 07960458246 Castle Top: 01457833322

### **CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES**

Parents are welcome to attend the following assembly dates for the class assemblies. We anticipate they will last approximately 20 - 30 minutes. Year 6 will be performing in another show later on in the year rather than a class assembly. We will inform you of dates nearer the time. All assemblies will start at 9.05am.

Year 2	26.6.24
Year 1	8.5.24
Reception	3.7.24

# **DIARY DATES**

Thurs 9 May Year 5 taking part in the Big Sing at MHHS

Mon 13 May-Thurs 16 May

Year 6 SATs week

Mon 20 – Tue 21 May

Year 6 Bikeability

Thurs 23 May
Parents meeting for Kingswood
Wed 12 June
Brownlee mini triathlon event
EYFS trip to Cannon Hall Farm
Fri 14 June – Mon 17 June
Year 6 Kingswood Residential trip

Wed 10 July Year 2 and Year 3 trip to Blackpool
Thurs 18 July Year 1 and Year 4 trip to Brockholes

Fri 19 July Year 6 Leavers' Party

# **OTHER NEWS**



# Churches Together in Mossley

# **MOSSLEY WHIT WALKS 2024**

# FRIDAY 24TH MAY 2024



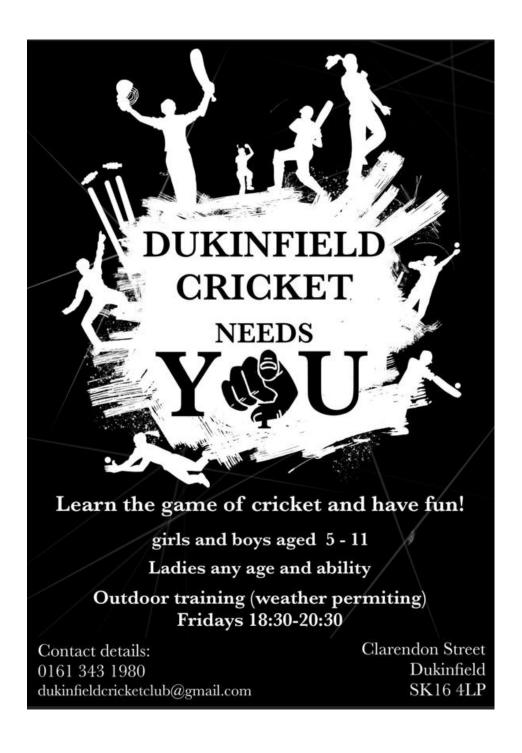




Mossley will once again be having its traditional procession of Churches and schools from Top Mossley down to Bottom Mossley and back up again. There will be a large number of people (est. 1000) comprising Church members, many Primary School children and all accompanied by brass bands.

The event starts with a short service and hymn at 9:45am on the Town's Market Ground in Top Mossley and will set off promptly at 10am. Roads will be closed around the area from that time, some on a temporary basis as the procession passes through, but Stamford Road between Top and Bottom Mossley will be closed for at least 2 hours from 10am. The Procession should terminate at the Market Ground by about 12:30pm.

Please, all parents, family members and residents of Mossley come out to cheer the Walkers along the route.





Calling all 8 - 11 year olds!

No Cricket Experience Required Location:

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