

# Millhouse News

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## Dates & Reminders

Please see the Christmas Events List on this newsletter.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Choir singing in the Eastgate Centre

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Yr 4 watching 'Peter & the Wolf' at the Brentwood Centre

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 5pm – Full governing Board meeting

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Cross Country Run

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Discos

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – last day of term

## Parent Information

### **School Crossing Patrol**

It is with sadness that we are saying goodbye to John our Lollipop Man as unfortunately, he has had to retire from his role. John has been helping pupils from Millhouse cross the High Road safely for many years and I know our children and parents have enjoyed chatting to him and seeing his smiley face every day.

John and his wife, Ann, will be coming to watch one of the reception Christmas performances in a couple of weeks and we will be presenting him with a farewell and good luck gift. I am sure many of you will want to wish him well.

Essex County Council are in the process of hiring a new crossing patrol officer (their advert has been sent to all parents if anyone is interested) and will let us know when we will have someone new. In the meantime, please make sure your child crosses the road safely, using designated crossing places if possible.

## **Attendance**

Well done to the following classes who achieved at least 96% last week: Class 19 (96), Classes 5,12,14 & 17 (97) and Class 18 (98).

There are quite a few winter illnesses doing the rounds at the moment, so we would like to ask parents to teach and remind their children about effective hygiene:

- Washing hands with soap and water or using sanitiser after using the toilet, before eating and after coughing or sneezing.
- Using a tissue to catch sneezes and coughs and putting in the bin straight away.

We are making sure all touch surfaces are thoroughly cleaned everyday with anti-microbial sprays and ensuring hand sanitisers and soap dispensers are refilled. Please note, children must not bring in their own sanitisers and should only use the ones we have provided.



# Christmas Events



We are so pleased to be able to ask you to come in to school so the children can share work, an assembly or a Christmas show with you. We look forward to seeing you at the following events.

Please look out for your child's classes performances below. 2 guests per child are very welcome to all performances.

| Date                       | Time  | Class                     | Performance/Activity                  | Enter by                          |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | 9.00am  | 10                        | Christmas songs                       | Yr2 Car Park Gate                 |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | 2.30pm  | 11                        | Christmas songs                       | Main Gate                         |
| Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 9.00am  | 12                        | Christmas songs                       | Yr2 Car Park Gate                 |
| Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 2.30pm  | 4                         | Nativity                              | Main Gate                         |
| Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | 9.00am  | 17                        | Topic assembly                        | Yr 2 Car Park Gate                |
| Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | 2.30pm  | 5                         | Nativity                              | Main Gate                         |
| Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 9.00am  | 18                        | Topic assembly                        | Yr 2 Car Park Gate                |
| Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 2.30pm  | 6                         | Nativity                              | Main Gate                         |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | 9.00am  | 19                        | Topic assembly                        | Yr 2 Car Park Gate                |
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | 2.30pm  | 20,21,22<br>Year 5        | Let's share work in class             | Tavistock Road<br>Playground Gate |
| Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 9.00am  | 7                         | Christmas Play                        | Main Gate                         |
| Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 2.30pm  | 1                         | Nativity                              | Main Gate                         |
| Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 9.00am  | 8                         | Christmas Play                        | Main Gate                         |
| Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 2.30pm  | 2                         | Nativity                              | Main Gate                         |
| Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 9.00am  | 9                         | Christmas Play                        | Main Gate                         |
| Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 2.30pm  | 3                         | Nativity                              | Main Gate                         |
| Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | Christmas Dinner Day. Non school uniform, you can wear your Christmas Jumper. |                           |                                       |                                   |
| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 8.45am or<br>2.30pm   | Nursery                   | Nursery Rhyme Christmas               | Main Gate                         |
| Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 9.00am  | Reception<br>Year 1 and 2 | Christmas Carols in the<br>playground | Playground gates                  |
| Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 9.00am  | Years 3,4 5<br>and 6      | Christmas Carols in the<br>playground | Playground gates                  |

## Christmas Dinner Order

Please remember to order a Christmas dinner for your child before Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December by using the following link:

[Christmas Dinner Booking Form](#)

It is vital that you pre-order your child's dinner by this date as they will not be able to have one if it is not ordered and you will need to provide a packed lunch for them.

## **Christmas Discos**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Children can wear Christmas party clothes.

For Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes, these will take place during the school day either in their classrooms or in the hall.

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be held after school and will be a fundraising event for the school with snacks available to buy.

Years 3 & 4 - 3:30-4:30pm

Years 5 & 6 - 5-6pm

Tickets can be bought on ParentPay.

