

Millhouse News

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General Information

School Photos

All children had their photos taken last week. To see your child's photo and to place an order please go to <https://www.carmeljaneshop.co.uk/start/>. If you registered before they were taken you can access by entering your code or logging into your account. If you didn't register, please follow the instructions on their website.

Flu Immunisations

All parents should have received a letter via the school from the Childhood Immunisation Team. If you wish your child to receive the flu vaccine, please make sure you complete the consent form using the link on the letter. Immunisations will take place on Monday 19th October.

Dangerous Parking / Drop off

We politely ask that parents do not park or drop off either on / by the zebra crossing or on the zig zag lines outside the school. This is very dangerous, especially when children are getting out of the car into the middle of the road, and is also illegal. We are monitoring this carefully and will report any parents who do this to the relevant authorities.

Secondary School Applications

If your child is in Year 6, you will need to apply for their secondary school place by 31st October. This should be done by going to <https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place>. If you require any help or advice around this, please contact your child's teacher, Miss Lester or Mrs Haken and we will be happy to help you. Please be aware that if you do not apply for a place your child may not be allocated a school for next September. All local schools are usually over-subscribed so it is vital you apply and put more than one option down.

Midday Assistant Positions

In the coming months, we are looking to appoint some new midday assistants to work with and support the children at lunchtimes. These positions will be for a minimum period of an hour per day but may be more depending on the need at the time. If you are interested in undertaking this role, please email Mrs Haken at admin@millhouse.essex.sch.uk with your name and child's name / class and we will add you to our 'interest' list. When we have confirmed the positions needed, we will get in contact with those on the list.

'Hello Yellow' for World Mental Health Day

As you are aware, at Millhouse, we are passionate about ensuring we teach the children about how to be mentally healthy and are proud of the work we do to support the staff and children's mental health. This Saturday is World Mental Health Day and to recognise this and raise awareness, we are taking part in the 'Hello Yellow' campaign run by the charity Young Minds.

On Friday we are inviting everyone to wear something yellow to school. This doesn't have to be a full outfit but could be a pair of yellow socks, a yellow scarf or a yellow hat or hair band. As long as they wear something yellow, they rest of their outfit can be their normal school uniform or normal clothes, the choice is theirs.

In class, the teachers will be teaching a mental health awareness lesson which links to our star values and PSHE programme of learning.

There is no donation needed, just your support.

Year 4 Art Project

Year 4 had an exciting morning on Wednesday. We had the chance to work with professional artists to create our own leaf rubbings as part of a community project for Basildon Town Centre and the new cinema. The children created amazing pieces of art work for not only the art project but also for our classrooms. We are excited to see the completed project next summer.

