

NOVEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents / Carers

We're just building up to the busiest time of the year so I thought it would be helpful to send a few messages.

Children In Need



A huge thanks to everybody involved which raised an amazing **£736.00** for all the valuable causes supported by Children In Need. A brilliant effort.

Public Sector Strike - 30 November



It is likely at this stage that due to the widespread Public Sector Strike planned for Wednesday, 30 November that school will be closed on this day. We will update you nearer to the time.

Safeguarding, Door Security and Punctuality



To ensure that our school is as safe as possible, all doors into school apart from the main entrance into Reception, will be locked at 9.00am and staff have been instructed not to open doors after this time. It is in the best interests of the children for all lessons to start punctually at 9.00am with the whole class attending. We will ask any children who are late in the morning to catch up any work missed during the day because the learning we do at the start of the day is vital for the progress of the children.

Dog Dirt



Please take care coming into school from Listowel Crescent because some local youths have decided to pile up dog dirt near the school gates recently (unbelievable I know!) The police have been informed.

Allotments



A number of parents have started to work on their allotments. If you are interested in an allotment please let the office know and we can get you a key to gain access to the allotments out of school hours.

Winter Clothing



Please make sure all the children have sturdy, flat, waterproof shoes, warm clothing and a coat now that the weather is changing.

Dodgy Moustache!



Apologies for the mangy, ferret like thing on my top lip! I'm in a play this week and raising money for the Movemember Charity. It will be gone at the end of the month! Can't wait!

Parents' Evening



It has been great to see so many parents and carers in school recently for all the events and Parents' Evening. We would like to see the parents and carers of all the children in school because working together can make a real difference. These are tough times for the country and it is vital for their futures that all our children reach their true potential.

Christmas Dinner



Our fabulous Christmas dinner will take place on Tuesday, 20 December. Our School Plumbers, Steve and Terry, have very kindly donated money towards our Christmas dinner which means the cost for our pupils will be just 50p. A letter will be going out this week.

Fun & Fitness Campaign



Our Nursery is registered for the Fun and Fitness campaign on the Haven website. We need to get as many supporters to sign up as possible. If you could please register your support for Milford Nursery on www.havenfunfitness.com, we will then receive a fantastic box of outdoor equipment. Thank you.

Emmanuel House Donations



We will be continuing with our annual appeal for Emmanuel House who help the homeless in Nottingham. Donations of new or good condition hats, scarves, gloves, socks, toiletries will be very much appreciated. The box will be in Reception. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries



Monday 12 December	Area Band at Albert Hall
Tuesday 13 December	Foundation Nativity 10am and 1.30pm
Wednesday 14 December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Show 2pm and 6pm
Thursday 15 December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Show 6pm
Thursday 15 December	KS1 Nativity 10am and 2pm
Friday 16 December	KS1 Nativity 10am
Monday 19 December	Party Day including Talent Show

Tuesday 20 December

Christmas Dinner

School Disco 3.30 - 5.00pm

Wednesday 21 December

Attendance Assembly 10.45am

Carol Service 2.00pm

The School Choir will be singing all over Clifton during December - Look out for details!

Thank you for taking the time to read all this and we hope to see you at some of the events. It should be an exciting end to a successful year at Milford and as ever if there are any issues you would like to raise or ideas you have about how we can improve our school further do give us a ring or come in and see myself or Ms Grinnell.

Yours sincerely

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