

## **Millbrook Friends 2026 START OF YEAR MESSAGE**

Welcome back and Happy New Year. It was a busy year in 2025 for the Millbrook Friends and as we head into 2026, we would like to thank you all for your continued support.

We had a fantastic year and were able to fund many projects to enrich the students' school time. From funds raised at pop ups like the very popular ice cream sales on sunny Fridays to the bigger projects like the whole school Tea Towels featuring every student & teacher, we have provided Lego mini figures, play sand, princess dolls and rugs for early years classrooms. Each child was given a Christmas cracker at their Christmas lunch, provided by the Millbrook Friends plus a gift to accompany the books given out by the school to all the students (Octopus class to follow as unfortunately, due to staff illness, they did not have theirs on the last day).

As we head into 2026, we have a number of projects in planning, including

- School discos in February (exact dates are still to be agreed with the school)
- Repainting the pencils by the car park and the new planters in the playground
- Supporting Sports Day
- Easter, Mother's and Father's Day projects and pop-up stalls
- Summer Fayre – our biggest event of the year and the one for which we rely most on support from staff, parents and local businesses

If you have any spare time and would like to help in any capacity, whether it is as a full Committee member or just at events, you would be very welcome. Our next Committee meeting is on Friday 09<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 1.30pm in school and we invite anyone interested in coming along to get in touch with any of us or contact the school office who will pass your details on.

Once again, thank you for helping us to help the children and we wish everyone a happy, healthy and peaceful 2026.