



MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

Friday 28th November 2025

Bumblebee and Woodpecker classes won the attendance cups last week.

Millbrook Messenger



Our School Development Plan for 2025 - 2027 focuses on the 5 areas we have identified as being most important to the progress and well-being of all children here at Millbrook.

Millbrook "GIVES"

- **G getting** on with each other and getting on with our work ... improving behaviour for learning with a focus on rewards and consequences.
- I inclusion means that everyone can access everything we offer at Millbrook & play a full part in the life of our school.
- V valuing our community at Millbrook, our families and throughout Freshbrook ... getting everyone more involved where possible and improving communication.
- **E emotional literacy** is about equipping everyone to recognise and name their emotions and to be able to self regulate and deal with emotions effectively.
- **S skilful maths** we are focusing on securing the fundamentals of number and the mastery of maths.

Reading Miles

Every time your child reads at home, they earn a reading mile for themselves and for their class. Once your child has earned 25 reading miles, they take home a certificate. They then get another certificate for every 25 miles they earn.

These miles are also count towards a class total and are used to 'travel' around the world to different cities. When the class arrives at a city, they earn a class reading reward such as an extra trip to the library or another teacher coming to read a book to them.

Your child can also earn reading miles in school by doing amazing reading, recommending books to friends or joining in with fantastic book talk. If your child earns a reading mile in school, they will get a special sticker and this can be stuck in their reading record on the relevant week.

Look out for these stickers coming home and please stick them in, ready to be counted each Friday.



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Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 3rd December — Woodpeckers Class Assembly 9am

Christmas Events

We are going to be very busy with lots going on in the lead up to Christmas. Here are some of the events that are happening -

Monday 15th December — Parents/carers are welcome to join us at our Christmas Service at Freshbrook Church at 9am. You are welcome to stay for refreshments kindly provided by the church.

Foundation Stage and KS1 Nativity Born in a Barn - Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December.

Please book your ticket on your Arbor Portal (School Shop) and check the letter for details of the costume your child will need.





Wednesday 17th December — Caterpillars, The Ark, FS & KS1 Christmas Lunch Thursday 18th December — KS2 Christmas Lunch

All lunches must be booked through your Arbor Portal via Activities/Trips

Friday 19th December - last day of term - children finish at 1.15pm

Monday 5th January - children return to school

Keeping Children Safe in our Car Park & on the paths & playground!

Unfortunately we are seeing dangerous driving in the school car park and near misses as children are arriving and leaving school. We are also seeing both adults and children cycling on school premises and putting children in danger.

Please may we remind you that the only people coming into the school car park should be those with a blue disabled badge.

All other parents/carers should either park in Tesco/Community Centre or Freshbrook Church car parks. Cyclists should dismount and bikes should be pushed on school premises.

Thank you for your generosity in contributing to the Swindon Toy Appeal.

Your kindness will make the lives of some children so much better this Christmas



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Keeping Children Safe online



Online scams like trust trades and fake giveaways can cause harm and upset to children, particularly neurodivergent children and those with Special Educational Needs, who are at greater risk of falling victim to scams.

There's a guide for parents, a video for children and young people, plus stories for families to read and discuss together to explore the risks, with practical actions for children to take to help stay protected.

Find all the resources Protect neurodivergent kids from scams in games | Internet Matters

Thank you for your donations to Children in Need - we raised £416.



Remember to head over to Instagram to learn some ...

