



Year 1 and 2 News - 04.09.24

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful summer holiday!



This term's topic:

Our topic this term is Once Upon a Time. We will be exploring and retelling traditional tales.

In History, we will be looking at changes in the local area in the last 100 years. This will be particularly focused on the history of Millbrook and how it was formed. If you were a former pupil of Windmill Hill or Freshbrook school, please feel free to email with any relevant photos or memories or let your class teacher know.

Enhancing Learning at Home

We will soon be sending home **usernames and passwords** for your child to log-in to do their Maths homework online. **Year 2s** will be using **Times Tables Rock Stars** and **Year 1s** will be using **Numbots**. Look out for a letter next week with further information about **Numbots**. Please inform your child's class teacher if your child does not have access to a computer to do this.

Spellings for the term will be given out for both Year 1 and 2. Spellings will be tested every Friday.

Wonder Words will be sent home weekly.

Reading - Please read 5 times per week with your child and return their books and records to school **each day** so that they can be listened to in school and their books can be changed. For more information about the reading books that will be sent home, see the front of your child's reading record.

Contact

If you need to contact your class teacher please email the correct class.

Octopus - octopus@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk

Turtles - turtles@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk

Starfish - starfish@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk

P.E

All Year 1 and 2 classes will have PE on **Tuesday** and **Thursday**.

Please make sure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days.

Tell Me time

All classes will have Tell Me Time on a Friday. Each child will be allocated a Friday per term to share something that is special or important to them – this could be an interesting object, some artwork, a favourite storybook, a souvenir from a trip, a toy, an award or maybe a photograph (these can be sent to the class email addresses). Please make sure you have spoken to your child at home about their Tell Me Time so that they are prepared to share with their class – this is a great speaking and listening opportunity for the children.

Welly Walks

In Key Stage 1, we will be going on regular welly walks in school. Please ensure your child has a pair of named wellies that can be kept in school.

Dates –

Year 1 and 2 Meet and Greet – Tuesday 24th September @ 3.30

Visit to Lydiard Park and Church – Monday 14th October – further details to follow

Welcome Wednesdays – 9th October, 4th December, 22nd January, 19th March, 21st May, 9^h July – 8.30-8.45.

Class Assemblies – Octopus – Wednesday 5th February

Turtles – Wednesday 12th February

Starfish – Wednesday 12th March