### FRIDAY FLYER

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Dear Parent/ Carer,

We are very pleased to share some important staffing news with you. We have Forest School Wednesdays successfully appointed 2 new members of teaching staff who will be joining the Milverton team in September: Miss Anya Murray and Mrs Angela Hart. Both will be coming in to school to meet the children they will be teaching next year. We hope they will be able to join us on our Move-Up Morning on Wednesday 2nd July, when all children will be spending time with their teacher for next year.

As we welcome new colleagues, we also prepare to say goodbye to some valued members of our team. At the end of this term, we will be saying a fond farewell to Miss Helen Allen, Ms Sarah Brooke, Miss Amy Farrimond and Mr Josh Wedderkopp. Mr Wedderkopp started at Milverton 8 years ago, setting up our Forest School and outdoor learning curriculum. Unfortunately, he will be leaving us as his fixed-term contract has come to an end. Mr Wedderkopp will be finishing off the year with the usual Forest-Fests! We wish him the very best in his next adventures. Miss Farrimond has very successfully completed her first year as an Early Career Teacher with us and is now moving to the south east to be with her fiancée (and to continue her teaching career!). We thank each of them for their dedication and contributions to Milverton School and wish them all the very best for the future.

Finally, we are delighted to let you know that Mrs Katy Smith will be returning to her role, on a part-time basis, as Assistant Headteacher from September 2025. We very much look forward to welcoming her back to the leadership team. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Stoddart





On Friday 23rd May, Classes 3 and 4 went on a school trip to Exeter Cathedral and St Nicholas Priory to learn about the Tudors. We split into two groups with a mixture of Year 3 and 4. One group went to the Cathedral whilst the others headed to St Nicholas Priory. At the Cathedral we learnt about how they thought the earth didn't move but the sun did. We stood in awe looking at the longest vaulted ceiling in the world! We also learnt how the Cathedral used to be known as 'Heaven On Earth' so people wanted to be buried as near as possible to it. At St Nicholas Priory we learnt about the Tudors' diet; if you were rich you had a large variety of meat and wine. In Tudor times there was a thing called gambling when people would bet for money, but if you were caught playing it you would be put in the stocks and get rotten fruit thrown in your face all day and be known as 'the gambler'. by Ivy and Sammy, Class 4





On Thursday, we went to Queen's College and took part in a Science Day. They told us we were trapped on an island! First, we

tried to make an escape tower. Then we had to make toothpaste (important to keep hygienic!). We made it from charcoal, mint and coconut oil. Next, we made batteries of cardboard, a copper penny and foil so that we could contact the outside world via our radios. We made some rope out of bin Monday 14th July 6pm bags and had to test it's strength with some weights. At the end of the day, we went on stage to describe how we made the toothpaste. Thank you for organising this day for us, Miss Downer. by Martha, Freddie and Amelia.

## **Diary Dates**

18th June Class 5 25th June Classes 3 & 4 2nd July Class 2 9th July Class 6 16th July Classes 1 & 2 am, Class

Year 5 Egyptian Day Monday 9th June

Year 5 Trip to Houndsmoor Farm

Monday 16th June

Year 6 Transition Workshop for Parents led by MHST Thursday 19th June 9am

Year 6 Games Festival at Kingsmead School Thursday 19th June

**New Reception Parents 2025** Meeting

Wednesday 25th June at 6pm

Sports Day

Thursday 26th June 9-12 Parents welcome.

MSA Colour Run Friday 27th June

Year 6 Trip to Houses of **Parliament** Friday 27th June

Year 6 Cricket Day at Somerset County Cricket **Grounds** 

Monday 30th June

Years 1 & 2 Trip to Dunster Castle

Tuesday 1st July

**Court Fields and Kingsmead** Year 6 Transition Days Tuesday 1st & Weds 2nd July

Move-up Morning Wednesday 2nd July

Oliver Twist visiting production Monday 7th July

**Reception Class Sports** festival at Kingsmead Thursday 10th July

Reception Class Vision Screening Friday 11th July

**Year 6 Play Performance for Parents** 

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly Tuesday 22nd July at 9am

#### **OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK** ☆ Preschool Barnaby for being so kind and helpful to others. Class R Lance for your super ideas for your superhero sentences! Class 1 **Sonny** for your excellent effort in phonics. Class 2 Livvy for the care, time and effort you put into your paintings in art this week. Finn for your ability to tell the time with analogue and digital clocks, applying this knowledge Class 3 and reasoning to a whole variety of problems. **Nicholas** for demonstrating great understanding on our Science topic on sound. Class 4 **Grace** for being such a kind and caring member of the class. Class 5 Ruby, Marusya and Harrison for settling so well into Class 5. Class 6 **Jacob L** for the leadership you have shown this week.









Class 2 enjoyed creating their own cat and castle paintings inspired by the work of Paul Klee. They used primary colours and mixed them to make secondary colours. We think you will agree—they are great! *Miss Farrimond* 











Art Club have been creating outdoor art work with natural things they could find around the school grounds.



We took part in a rounders tournament. Our captain was Jacob L. There were 6 teams altogether and, weirdly, they wore similar colours to us! The first team we played were Creech St Michael. We beat them, but unfortunately we do not know the score. We had an equal number of players and it was a hard game. The second team we challenged was Holy Trinity. They had 4 less players than us, so 2 of our players went and joined them (Alfie and Harry S). Sadly they beat us by 1; the official score was 9-8. They were a really amazing team. Next we had to rematch Trinity, this time we beat them 14 ½ to 8! Miss Storey's highlights of the day were: Ocean's catch, Elis' one handed pick up, and Jacob's catches. Elliot was Players' Player (the team voted him player of the Match) and Ocean was Miss Storey's Player of the Match.

Don't forget to check on our bird boxes by visiting: <a href="https://www.mcvg.org.uk/events/school">https://www.mcvg.org.uk/events/school</a>

There's lots to see...and not just birds!





Have you ordered your child's group photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Monday 16th June 2025.** Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).



# GOLDEN MILE LEADER BOARDS FOR SUMMER HALF TERM 2025 The following schools topped the leaderboard:

### Aggregate Miles Per School

- 1. Wellsprings PS, Taunton 6,489 miles
- 2. Milverton Community PS 5,251 miles
- 3. Kingston St Mary PS 2,625 miles
- 4. Minerva PS 2,096 miles
- 5. St John's Catholic PS, Tiverton 1,743 miles

Congratulations to our pupils running the Golden Mile so far this school year! This academic year, so far, September 2024 to May 2025, all the children have completed 23,085 miles, almost running completely around the earth!

### Miles Run Per Pupil

- 1. Milverton community PS 24.42 miles per pupil
- 2. Kingston St Mary PS 22.83 miles pp
- 3. Wellsprings PS, Taunton 22.30 miles pp
- 4. Minerva PS 19.96 miles pp
- 5. St John's Catholic PS, Tiverton 18.16 miles pp

Thank you for all your efforts this term and please continue to complete your miles over the next seven weeks.







