



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's great to be writing this on a lovely sunny day, looking back on a busy and successful term and indeed year. Although the school leadership is going through some changes, I hope you will agree that the staff has been steadfast in providing great opportunities for your children: from various sporting events to trips and visits; performances and musical experiences. Added to these are the academic achievements that we reported last week.

Year 6 have wowed us with their end of year performance and I'm sure their leaving assembly will also showcase their varied and exceptional talent. They've been a credit to the school and to you and we wish them all the very best in their onward journeys! Sports Day was a success; it was great to have so many of you cheering the children on and creating a Milverton family event. We're looking forward to the party tonight and thank the MSA for all of their input into providing lots of experiences and resources for the children.

I'll add a personal thanks for your support this term, it's been a privilege to lead such a fantastic team and to work with your wonderful children. Have a lovely summer and we look forward to carrying on the hard work in September. **Ms Alcock**



We were invited to watch Year 6 perform Robin Hood and we all absolutely loved it! It was full of exciting scenes, had lots of funny moments and everyone remembered their lines which is even more impressive. The costumes and props were made by the children and teachers and made the performance very memorable. We particularly liked it when they did jazz hands and made us all laugh with their jokes. Thank you for inviting us to watch the play and well done for a brilliant performance.

Elsie, Nola and Charlie, Class 3



Last Friday, Classes 1 and 2 enjoyed a wonderful day at Puxton Park. We fed the meerkats mealworms and learnt that the alpha female is in charge of the mob and how the lookout communicates with the others. Then we were able to have hands on time with rabbits, a guinea pig and gerbil, carefully stroking them. A bumpy tractor ride took us through the cow sheds where we saw the cows being fed before milking and the calves eating cake - which wasn't cake at all! The milk they produce goes into making award winning cheese on site. After lunch, we were able to spend time with the bigger animals, with a llama getting quite close! A train ride and time in the play park was the perfect way to finish the visit before returning to school. Well done Classes 1 and 2, for great behaviour and being careful around the animals too. **Ms Brooke and Ms Boullin**



Diary Dates

Forest School Wednesdays

Class 6 11th September

Class 5 18th September

MSA AGM—Everyone welcome!

Monday 22nd July at 3.30pm at school

Leavers' Assembly

Tuesday 23rd July at 9.15am

Last Day of Term for pupils

Tuesday 23rd July

Inset Day

Wednesday 24th July

Inset Days

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September

School Opens to Pupils

Thursday 5th September

Whole School Flu

Vaccinations

Monday 23rd September

Class R Phonics Breakfast

Thursday 26th September

Vision Screening for Year 1

Tuesday 15th October

Half Term Break

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Inset Day

Monday 4th November

OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Preschool *All of Pre-school for a fantastic year!*

Class R *Eddie for your brilliant morning at Forest School, working well with Year 1s and helping others.*

Class 1 *All of Class 1 for your enthusiasm, excitement and excellent behaviour on our trip to Puxton Park.*

Class 2 *All of Class 2 for their incredibly positive attitude to learning showing how much you have grown up this year.*

Class 3 *All of Class 3 for your dedication, hard work and enthusiasm for learning this year.*

Class 4 *Nellie P, India and Rufus for your outstanding use of descriptive and figurative language in your writing.*

Class 5 *Elliott for his DT project.*

Class 5 *All of Class 5 for your hard work and resilience this year. Well done!*

Class 6 *All of Class 6 for your excellent leadership during Sports Day.*



The weather was kind and we managed to do our traditional Sports Day. We started off with a lovely gymnastic display from some of the KS2 children with cartwheels, round offs and jumps. The Year 6 children then collected their house groups to compete in 7 different activities. The welly throwing and the football dribbling seemed to be the favourites of the morning. The points were added after every event and Mrs Alcock did some amazing Maths in a very strict time limit! The points were checked and the results revealed: 1st- Cork Oak, 2nd - Horse Chestnut, 3rd- London Plane, 4th- Blue Cedar. We then went back to the field for some races. Pre-school, Reception and KS1 went first with the sprint races. Then ks2 took part in some

adapted slow races involving a racket, bean bag and ball as the track was still too slippery for fast competitive races. After the parents watched and cheered thinking it was easy we thought they

better have a go. Parents, you were all fab well done. Teachers then thought we better have a go too. Thank you to all the year 6's for their leading of their house groups and helping with all the equipment set up. Thank you to all teachers for running the sporting activities and Mrs Alcock for keeping us on track and keeping up with the scores. Thank you parents and careers for coming, cheering and watching. Can't wait for next year already!

Miss Storey



If you go down in the woods today, you're sure of a big surprise...! Because Class R was hosting their grown-ups in a teddy bears' picnic. We enjoyed sharing all of our favourite memories from the year, playing some games and singing our special song. It was a beautiful afternoon and we'd like to say a huge well done to all of the children for being so brilliant.

On Wednesday Classes R and 1 enjoyed a joint forest school. Some of you may remember that we wrote, in a previous Friday Flyer, about a dinosaur that had been roaming the school grounds. This week we shared our missing dinosaur posters with Class 1 and they helped us make traps in an attempt to finally solve the mystery of what type of dinosaur had been up to mischief! It was a huge success and we finally chased down the devilish dino! Mrs Atterton was so sad that she'd chosen that exact time to pop off to get a job done and missed all of the action! As always we'd like to say a HUGE thank you to Mr Wedderkopp who has provided us with much merriment throughout the year. We hope you recognise us all next year when we're a whole year group older!

Mrs Atterton



Sports News

Milverton School have been awarded Gold this year for the school games awards. Thank you to all the children taking part in all sporting/outdoor activities in and out of school, parents for your commitment to after school fixtures, Mr Wedderkopp for Forest School and all staff for being committed to the Golden Mile and PE in your classes.

Miss Storey

We would like to thank Miss Storey for all the hard work she has put into achieving this award. Also, for going the extra mile so that the children can be involved in sporting fixtures and experiencing competitive games with other schools.



Golden Mile Leaderboard for Summer Term 2 2023-24:

<u>2nd</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>3rd</u>
Two Moors Primary school 6,874 miles	Milverton Primary school 9,045 miles	St John's Catholic School 4,669 miles

Our pupils ran an amazing 9,045 miles this Summer Term! That is incredible! That equates to 40.9 miles per pupil!! Well done all those little legs—you should be proud.



Football Club and the school Year 5 Football Team are so, so happy to have some new footballs. You can see that from their faces! Thank you to the MSA! Also, for these howlers which will be amazing for KS2 to practice their throwing ability and prepare the children for Quad Kids next year. Thank you, MSA, from Miss Storey and all the pupils.



On Thursday we did cycling on the field. Miss Storey very kindly organised equipment to practice the skills with. We would like to thank Mr & Mrs Cutler and for supplying the bikes and helmets. We really enjoyed it.

by Lena and Harriet

For the final PE Enrichment of the academic year for Class 5 we played Dodgeball but mainly focusing on teamwork and team effort with the children. When playing Handball before, some pupils had found peer-on-peer competition challenging. We addressed sportsmanship and how to demonstrate a positive team ethos and how individual effort impacts the whole team. All the throwing and catching activities had a competitive element throughout the session.

Bentley, Amelie, Harry T and Tilly were all great team players, supported their teammates and remained positive throughout the competitive sessions. Wristbands were awarded to Luke and Ocean for showing kindness and respect throughout. On the whole the dodgeball sessions were a success and all the pupils shook hands at the end of the tournament and were supportive of each other. Hopefully they will remember what was discussed when they get to Year 6!

Miss B



Year 6 played a football match this week against North Town Primary School. This is how it went: both sides played well but, unfortunately, we lost 5-2. Both of our goals were scored by Milo. Ezra was our Captain and I got player of the game. I also managed to save a penalty.

by Harley

On Monday Year 2 to Year 6 all had a session of tennis from some LTA coaches. The rain did change most of the day but the children still managed to get down to the tennis court and enjoy some tennis. Despite the weather, the coaches commented that it's the best tennis they have seen in all the primary schools over the summer term. Great job, everyone!

Miss Storey

The whole school approach practitioners from Mental Health Support Team/ NHS are offering ****FREE**** workshops to help support you with understanding the emotional needs of your children and teens.

They have 3 options available:

Tuning into Kids (6 x 2hr sessions)

Tuning into Teens (6 x 2hrs sessions)

Dads Tuning Into Kids (7 x 2hr sessions)

All sessions have a variation of times to attend and online options. Please following the link to show your interest and a whole school approach practitioner from the MHST will be in touch.

<https://forms.office.com/e/aeAnb5R1V1>

Calling all budding scientists! The annual 'Big Butterfly Count' is open (12^h July to 4th August) <https://butterfly-conservation.org/discover-and-learn/activities-and-resources/big-butterfly-count-2024>

This is a lovely opportunity for children and adults to take part in surveying butterfly populations. Anyone can take part, and you can record multi surveys. Just take 15 minutes when you are out on a walk, in the garden or in a park, to count the butterflies and day-time flying moths you see and enter your data online. You can download an identification sheet. A great opportunity to take part in live science.

Toilet Twinning

We raised an amazing £245.45! This means we can twin 4 toilets! We'll be announcing winners in Monday's Celebration Assembly. Thank you to everyone who supported this event. *School Council*



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