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Newsletter – 31st January Issue 17

Letters sent home & eSchool messages this week: Board Games Club (Y1-Y6), Swimming Lessons (4NS), Young Voices Final Arrrangements (Y4), Energize Tickets, sign2sing Event, Handball Event (Y5), School Uniform Reminder

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had some extra adults in schools this week; 3 French exchange work experience students from Colomiers in France, organised in partnership with the Royal Grammar School. The students have spent time in lots of classrooms this week and been involved in a range of classroom activities, including helping us all improve our French.

I continue to be very concerned for the safety of your children at drop off and collection times. Please consider the consequences of parking on pavements, at junctions and near to the crossing patroller when deciding where to park. It would be a tragedy if we had to wait for an accident to happen before parents were prepared to consider the safety of all.

On Tuesday, we invited parents of Year 4 children to come to assembly to hear their children sing the songs that they have been learning ahead of our annual trip to the O2 for the Young Voices concert. I understand that it was a highly impressive performance and, as ever, huge thanks must go to Mrs Martin and the Year 4 team for their hard work in preparing the children so well. Please look out for photographs and video clips of the concert itself, which will appear on the website next week.

As ever, my best wishes for an enjoyable weekend with your families.

Clare Pankhania

ATTENDANCE	DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES	
The display board at the front of the	Monday 3 rd February	
school shows each year group's weekly	Childhood Anxiety Workshop – 9.30am	
attendance.	Young Voices Concert at O2 Arena – 7pm	
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%	<u>Tuesday 4th February</u>	
BEST ATTENDANCE: 98.3% (CLASS 3FM)	Energize Rehearsal at Wycombe Swan	
WELL DONE!	Theatre	
OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS WELL BELOW TARGET AT 94.6%	Friday 7 th February Y5 Handball Sports Event at Holmer Green Senior School	



PARENT ZONE

Parents as first teachers meeting

Please see the flyer about a course that is being offered at Kingswood school for parents of pre-school children. The focus of the group is dealing with unwanted behaviour. These courses are free and you can take your children with you as they can play while you get some great advice and strategies.

Millbrook Activity Club

Please see the flyer with details of activities taking place at Millbrook Combined School during the February half term break.

Sign2Sing Event

You may be aware that your child has recently been learning some sign language at school. This is because we are taking part in SignHealth's national fundraising and deaf awareness day.

On **Friday 14th February 2020** we all will sign and sing the song '*Together*' for SignHealth, the healthcare charity for deaf children and adults. Please visit <u>www.sign2sing.org.uk and find the song in the sign2sing library so you can join in at home.</u>

SignHealth is simply asking for your child to wear MUFTI on **Friday 14th February 2020** for 50p. All money raised will go towards helping SignHealth transform the lives of thousands of deaf people living in the UK.

Thank you for supporting this exciting challenge and helping to "inspire a generation to sign".

Beccy Hatch Parent Support Worker

PTA NEWS

We have been very busy planning our upcoming Valentine's Disco. It will take place on **Thursday 13th February, 6.30pm - 8.30 pm.**

Look out for the poster and helper letter that will go out next week.







Parents As First Teachers Group Meetings For pre-school families. Free of charge. Children can come & play.

Thursday 6th February – 2.15-3.15pm (drinks from 2pm)

Behaviour and how

to handle it

We all know that children's behaviour can be difficult at times. What are the best things you can do?



Community Room, King's Wood School, Hollis Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7UN.

Zoe Dacre - PAFT Project Worker. Tel: 07757232205 zdacre@bucksgfl.org.uk

Millbrook Activity Club

Breakfast Club, After School Club & Holiday Club for ages 3—11 years Our clubs are fun and full of life! We are always busy doing activities that allow children to explore and learn in a safe environment:

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- Games
- Sports

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- Homework support
- * Baking
- * Drama
- * Theme days

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Music

Breakfast Club

Early Session 7.30am - 8.40am £3.50 (£4.50 ad-hoc)

Healthy snacks

Late Session 8.00am - 8.40am £2.50 (£3.00 ad-hoc)

After School Club*

Main Session 3.15pm - 6.00pm £7.50 (£8.00 ad-hoc)

Holiday Club* available to all children from our local community

Full Day Session	Morning Session	Middle Session	Afternoon Session
8.00am - 6.00pm	8am - 1.00pm	10am - 3pm	1.00рт - брт
£26.00	£17.00	£17.00	£17.00

*Sibling discounts available!

How to Book:

Registration forms must be completed for each child before bookings are made (available from the school office).

Breakfast Club & After School Club sessions must be pre-booked and paid for via ParentPay no later than the day before the session, otherwise ad-hoc rates will apply.

Holiday Club sessions must be pre-booked via the school office and paid for via ParentPay. Parents should provide a healthy packed lunch and water bottle for children attending the full day, morning and middle sessions. Children attending the afternoon session are expected to have eaten before arrival.

We accept Childcare Vouchers and HMRC Tax-Free Childcare.

*PLEASE NOTE: Late collection fees apply, for each 15 minutes a fee of £7.50 will be incurred and due in cash on that day.

Location:

Millbrook Community Hub Millbrook Combined School Mill End Road High Wycombe HP12 4BA office@millbrook.bucks.sch.uk 01494 524 791



Outdoor play

- # Local trips
- * Dance
- * ICT