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Milnthorpe Primary School

Dear Parents and carers,

It seems too late to say “welcome back to school”, January is already rushing past and we are looking forward to an exciting Spring term.

These first two weeks back have been as busy as ever, the children competed at Casterton cross-country running and did amazingly well with several qualifying to run at the next event later this week. The ground was frozen solid and I was so proud with how well our children coped in the bitterly cold weather, just a few days later races and Park Runs across the country were cancelled due to the icy, freezing conditions! A little warmer, some of our Year 6 pupils competed in the National Table Tennis competition that took place over the weekend. Well done to all our players and a big ‘thank you’ to parents and carers who drove them all the way to Blackburn for the matches.

We do much more than sport though... last week our Year 2 children spent the day at Heron Corn Mill working with their artist in residence. What a brilliant experience, to work in such a special place with a professional artist learning some new skills. The results they produced were wonderful and we hope to share them with you soon (you may have seen some photographs already!)

The weather continues to keep us on our toes and we came into school during ‘the big freeze’ to find a new swimming pool aka a burst pipe. This was sorted quickly and we are now prepared for the next inevitable cold snap whenever it arrives.

Thank you and best wishes,

Paul Macfarlane

Head teacher

Book Donations Please

Our PTA are holding a free event for the children on World Book Day, in March, and would be most grateful for donations of good quality books for all ages, but particularly older children please.

Books can be left at the school office – thank you very much 😊

January Birthdays

“Happy Birthday to you....

Luna Thompson, Emma Faulkner, Daisy Barker, Noah Johnston, Ella Dickinson, William Staveley, James Ilaboya, Alfie Ilaboya, Frejya Clegg, Mylia Woodend-McKay, Emma Turner, Finlay Croad,

.... enjoy your special day!”

PTA Valentines’ Disco
Thursday 13th February
2025
More details to follow....



Playground Toy Appeal

At this time of year, everyone who has children will appreciate how difficult it can be to accommodate all the extra toys that Father Christmas brought in December.

If you need somewhere to send any surplus toys, our children would be most grateful for some extra toys to play with at lunchtime.

- Small bikes and scooters
- Bike helmets
- Farms and animals
- Cars, trucks and trains
- Dolls and accessories
- Horses and accessories
- Board games
- Any other items that you think might be fun to play with at breaks and lunchtimes

Please bring your donations to the school office – thank you very much, in advance 😊



Winter Weather Outdoor Wear

We play out in ALL weathers, all year round at Milnthorpe Primary School!

With this in mind, please be sure to label all items of outdoor clothing 😊

During the colder months, 175 children could potentially be bringing 175 hats, scarves, coats and a whopping 350 gloves, to school! Not to mention, shoes, boots, wellies and trainers 😊

There's no need to buy expensive labels, just initials on a label, in permanent marker, will do the trick 😊

Thank you



Useful Links to our School Website

- **Diary Dates** - <https://milnthorpe.cumbria.sch.uk/cumbria/primary/milnthorpe>
- **Guidance on Requesting Leave of Absence** - <https://www.milnthorpe.cumbria.sch.uk/cumbria/primary/milnthorpe/site/pages/schoolinformation/holidaysintermtime>
- **Holiday Dates for Academic Year 2024-2025** - <https://www.milnthorpe.cumbria.sch.uk/cumbria/primary/milnthorpe/site/pages/schoolinformation/termtimeandholidaydates>

Crazy Hair day incoming...

Tuesday April 1st 2025! 😊

