



Friday 15th September 2023

The Mill Messenger

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Please have a read through our latest news and the exciting things happening at The Mill.

Important – SchoolGateway App for Lunches

As you know, we are changing our communication, payment and booking system and will only be using the SchoolGateway app for lunch bookings from Monday 18th September.

Please be aware that the menus and booking facility will only be available within the app from the evening of Friday 15th September. You can find the user guide [here](#).

If you have any problems with the bookings, there will be someone in the office to support on Monday 18th September in the morning.

DfE Visit from Dame Kate Dethridge

On Thursday, we had a visit from Dame Kate Dethridge, a senior minister for the Department for Education. She toured the school, met some children and she left smiling saying that The Mill is a 'lovely school'. We get quite a lot of visitors to The Mill and we always welcome them as it gives us a chance to show what we are so proud of and also to learn what we can do to improve.

PTA AGM

The PTA will be holding their AGM (Annual General Meeting) on Monday 18th September at 1.30 pm in the Café. Everyone is welcome to attend this. Please find [attached](#) a PTA member nomination form we were asked to share with families.

After School Sports Clubs

Spaces in the clubs have now been confirmed, ready for them to begin next week. Please [click here](#) for the club overview with details about weekdays, times and payments.

Open Mornings

Please see below for our upcoming Open Mornings on Wednesdays from 8.30 to 9.00am. Please sign in through the front office. Many thanks.

KS 2 (Years 3-6) 20th Sept. KS 1 (Years 1&2) 27th Sept.
KS 2 (Years 3-6) 4th Oct. KS 1 (Years 1&2) 11th Oct.
KS 2 (Years 3-6) 18th Oct.

Year 6 Residential to Hindleap Warren

From Wednesday to Friday this week, our Year 6 students went on their residential trip to Hindleap Warren, which is beautifully located in the middle of Ashdown Forest. The children had the most amazing time during the many activities like the much loved (and very muddy!) Forest Adventure, Climbing Tower, Survival Skills, Archery, High and Low Ropes, Team Challenges or just relaxing at the end of a busy day at the campfire with roasted marshmallows and a hot chocolate. More photos will be shared with parents and carers soon.



Kind Regards

Sophie Gosden

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Headteacher

Inset Days 2023/24

These are our scheduled inset days for the current school year.

Friday 01/09/2023 Friday 29/09/2023
Monday 22/01/2024 Monday 19/02/2024
Monday 03/06/2024 Monday 01/07/2024



Forever Proud

On Fridays, each class nominates their 'Forever Proud' award winner who is announced in our whole school assembly and will receive their badge and certificate to take home. This week's winners are:



Year 1 Hepworth	Max R
Year 1 Monet	Tamara K
Year 1 Hockney	Joshua H
Year 2 Goldsworthy	Leo F
Year 2 Lichtenstein	Zion L
Year 2 O'Keeffe	Betsy H
Year 3 Hokusai	Elsie-May M
Year 3 Cezanne	Spencer N
Year 3 Mondrian	Jacob N
Year 4 Kahlo	Cora W
Year 4 Moore	Lily P
Year 4 Miro	Sienna S
Year 5 Rousseau	Ibrahim J
Year 5 Egonu	Deniz K
Year 5 van Gogh	Amelia W
Year 6	Marjan T
Learning Without Walls	Moore class

Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to this week's winners, our Year 4 classes had the highest attendance. Well done everyone!



Diary Dates

PTA AGM (Annual General Meeting)

Monday 18th September 2023 at 1.30 pm in the Café

Parent Workshops –

How to be successful in Year ...

Year 6 – Monday 18th September 2023 – 9.00 am

Year 2 – Wednesday 20th September 2023 (**Updated**) – 9.00 am

Inset Day

Friday 29th September 2023

Annual Flu Vaccination

Booking Details & Booking Guide

Wednesday 4th October 2023

October Half Term

Monday 23rd October

to Friday 27th October 2023

Christmas Break

Monday 18th December

to Friday 29th December 2023

Back to school on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

