



Friday 6th October 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.

Parents Evenings

We have now sent email invites to our Parents Evenings in the w/c 30th October, directly after half term. Please select your 10-minute face-to-face appointment slot via the link provided in the booking invite. Parents Evenings are being held in the school hall and as always, we aim to see 100% of parents as it is crucial to discuss your child's learning progress with their teacher. If you have any queries, please contact the school office. Many thanks for your support.

PTA News – From Sara

For the new school year, we have a brand new PTA team. Everyone is excited to get started and to continue to raise lots of funds for our wonderful school. We will be introducing our full team in due course, but for now, we'd love to introduce our key contacts:

Sara – Chair Jade – Deputy Chair Caroline – Secretary
Suzannah – Treasurer Naiha – Parent Governor

We have lots of new ideas for the coming year and will be communicating key dates for the school, upcoming fundraising days, ticket sales and lots more via our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages. So, please do give us a 'like' and 'share'! It is really important to us to have as much communication with parents and carers as possible, to listen to new ideas or improvements we can make. We are always lurking around the school gates, but also available via pta@themill-tkat.org if you would like to get in touch.

Thank you, Sara

PTA Halloween Disco

The PTA are hosting the annual Halloween Disco on Thursday 19th October 2023. Tickets at £4 can be bought [online](#) and from Monday also in the courtyard after school every day. Please see below for the Disco schedule for each group:

EYFS (Reception) 1.30 - 2.15pm

KS1 (Year 1 & 2) 2.30 - 3.15pm

KS2 Lower (Year 3 & 4) 3.30 - 4.15pm

KS2 Upper (Year 5 & 6) 4.30 - 5.15pm

For more information, please see the [poster](#) and [Q&A sheet](#). If you have any queries, please contact the PTA directly via email pta@themill-tkat.org.

Mill Community Garden

We're hoping to use a large unused space at our school to create a community garden. We're asking if anyone within the community would be interested in volunteering to help support this project. If you may be interested, please contact the office or speak to Mr Noble in person.

Reminder – Individual and Mill Sibling School Photos

Polite reminder that our school photographer will be taking individual and Mill sibling school photos on Wednesday 18th October during the school day. In case you have not done so already, please indicate [here](#) whether you would like a sibling photo in addition to the individual school photos.

The Mill's Art Exhibition

On Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th from 3pm to 4pm our school hall will host an art exhibition displaying all the children's fantastic art. It is running over 3 days to avoid congestion in the hall and give you time to properly look at the art. We look forward to seeing you there.



Open Mornings

Please see below for our upcoming Open Mornings on Wednesdays from 8.30 to 8.50am. Please sign in through the front office. Many thanks.

KS 1 (Years 1&2) 11th Oct. KS 2 (Years 3-6) 18th Oct.

Reminder – Hindleap Warren Residential – Current Year 5

The current Year 5 cohort will be going on their Year 6 residential trip to Hindleap Warren at the beginning of the next school year. We are hosting a parent meeting with information about this on Monday 9th October at 3pm in the school hall.

Year 6 Junior Citizen Event

Last week, our Year 6 children were invited to Crawley Borough Council's annual Junior Citizen Event at the Hawth. The children had a great time joining in with exciting and interesting activities and presentations relating to Police and Fire Services, Southern Water, Environmental Health, waste prevention and online safety.

Chelsea FC Half Term Soccer Schools

Chelsea FC will be running Soccer Schools for children aged 5 to 12 during the half term break at Thomas Bennett Community College. For further information and to book your child's space please click [here](#).

Kind Regards

Sophie Gosden
Headteacher



Additional Open Mornings – EYFS September 2024

We will be running additional prospective parent tours for families of children starting Reception in September 2024 weekly on a Friday at 11.00am until half term. Please share this with any families who may wish attend The Mill next year. Many thanks.

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	Amberly I
Year 1 Monet	Emma M
Year 1 Hockney	Harry L
Year 2 Goldsworthy	Oliver M
Year 2 Lichtenstein	Scarlett K
Year 2 O'Keeffe	Krish B
Year 3 Hokusai	Dominykas D
Year 3 Cezanne	Bibi T
Year 3 Mondrian	Naveyah G
Year 4 Kahlo	Ciena M
Year 4 Moore	Safia K
Year 4 Miro	Ouseynou G
Year 5 Rousseau	Harry O
Year 5 Egonu	Mikaeel J
Year 5 van Gogh	Lara-Mae P
Year 6 da Vinci	Miguel V
Year 6 Riley	Adriana K
Learning Without Walls	Dexter S
Reading - Book Winners	Rian C, Athiyya A, Riley C, Jonny E - and Lichtenstein class won a new book for their reading corner.



Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to this week's winners, our Year 2 classes had the highest attendance. Well done everyone!



Diary Dates

Hindleap Warren Residential Information Meeting (Year 5)
Monday 9th October 2023 - 3.00pm in the school hall

Individual and Mill Sibling School Photos
Wednesday 18th October 2023

PTA Halloween Disco
Thursday 19th October 2023 ([Poster](#) & [Q&A sheet](#))

PTA End of Term Doughnut Sale
Friday 20th October 2023

October Half Term
Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October 2023

PTA Breakfast with Santa (Details to follow)
Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th December 2023

PTA Christmas Fayre
Thursday 14th December 2023

Christmas Break
Monday 18th December
to Friday 29th December 2023
Back to school on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.



Important Reminder - Nuts

At The Mill, we have a number of children and members of staff with severe and potentially life threatening nut allergies. These allergies can be triggered through the ingestion of nuts and also through nuts being present in the environment of the school. We all share the responsibility to keep each other safe and would like to politely remind you that you must not send any types of nuts or any products containing nuts to school with your child, this also includes most chocolate spreads. Many thanks for your continued support.

