



Friday 10th November 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.

Children in Need - Pudsey Day - Friday 17th November

Our Smart School Council put a vote out for this year's theme for 'Children in Need' and the school voted for "yellow". This could be an item of clothing, an accessory like a hair band or bracelet or a pair of socks. If your child's house colour is yellow, they are welcome to wear their PE top as well. If you can, we would suggest a donation of £1 per family. The PTA will also use a percentage of this for children in need within our Mill community. Many thanks for your support.

Christmas Performances 2023

With the festive period fast approaching, the children now begin their preparations for their Christmas Performances and Nativities. All dates and times can be found in the 'Diary Dates' box on the right-hand side of our newsletters. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to the start to allow time to sign in and to be seated. As the space in our school hall is limited, we ask for only two adults per family to attend the performances. Many thanks for your support.

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Our Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day will be on Thursday 14th December. The Christmas lunch is now available to book via the SchoolGateway app and you can choose from the following options:

- Roast Turkey, Chipolata, Stuffing & Gravy
- Feta, Spinach & Cranberry Puff Pastry Roll, Roast Potatoes (v)

Sides: Carrot & Pea Medley, Cranberry Bread

Dessert: Chocolate Frosted Christmas Cake or Satsuma

Attend to Achieve Competition

We are running an exciting attendance competition between Monday 6th November and Thursday 14th December. The first prize is a bike or scooter of your child's choice and a £30 voucher for Hollywood Bowl as second prize. Further details can be found in [this letter](#). Good luck everyone!

Open Mornings/Afternoons

For the next term, we will be offering Open Morning as well as Open Afternoons. Please find the schedule and timings below.

Wednesday 15th November KS2 (Years 3 to 6) 2.30-2.45pm

Wednesday 22nd November KS1 (Years 1 & 2) 2.30-2.45pm

2nd Ifield St. Margaret's Scouts Community Fireworks

The 2nd Ifield St. Margaret's Scout Group will be hosting their annual Community Fireworks Night with food and stalls on Monday 13th November 2023 from 7pm to 8.30pm at Crawley Gurdwara Centre, Ifield Green. Suggested donation of £5 per person on entry. Further information can be found [here](#).

Kind Regards

Sophie Gosden
Headteacher

Makaton in Early Years

Every week, we will now share our Makaton signing with you.

This week's signing is: [Thank you](#)

We are signing the song: [Alice the Camel](#)

You can revisit previous signing on our [website](#).

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

Year 1 Monet

Year 1 Hockney

Year 2 Goldsworthy

Year 2 Lichtenstein

Year 2 O'Keeffe

Year 3 Hokusai

Year 3 Cezanne

Year 3 Mondrian

Year 4 Kahlo

Year 4 Moore

Year 4 Miro

Year 5 Rousseau

Year 5 Egonu

Year 5 van Gogh

Year 6 da Vinci

Year 6 Riley

No Forever Proud winners this week due to Remembrance Assembly.

Learning Without Walls Archie R

Reading - Book Winners Isabelle T, Jacob C -

and da Vinci 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

Children in Need – Theme: "yellow"

Friday 17th November 2023

PTA Breakfast with Santa (Details to follow)

Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th December 2023

Christmas Performances and Nativities

EYFS Matisse – Tuesday 12th December, 9.15-9.30am

EYFS Kandinsky – Wednesday 13th December, 9.15-9.30am

EYFS Picasso – Wednesday 13th December, 2.15-2.45pm

Year 1 – Thursday 7th December, 2.15-2.45pm

Year 2 – Tuesday 5th December, 2.15-2.45pm

Year 3 – Wednesday 6th December, 9.30-10.00am (changed)

Year 4 – Thursday 7th December, 9.30-10.00am (changed)

Year 5 – Tuesday 5th December, 9.30-10.00am (changed)

Year 6 – Monday 11th December, 9.00-9.30am

PTA Christmas Fayre

Thursday 14th December 2023

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

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Christmas Break

Monday 18th to Friday 29th December 2023

Back to school on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

