



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

# The Mill Messenger

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Welcome back, we hope everyone had a relaxing break.

## Open Mornings & Afternoons

For the current term, we will again be offering open mornings as well as open afternoons. Please find the schedule and times below. We look forward to seeing you.

### KS1 (Years 1 & 2)

Open morning (8.30 - 8.50): Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January

Open afternoon (2.20 - 2.45): Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January

### KS2 (Years 3 to 6)

Open morning (8.30 - 8.50): Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January

Open afternoon (2.20 - 2.45): Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January

## Polite Reminder - Updated PE and Forest School Schedule

Please note that there have been changes to the schedules for PE and Learning Without Walls (Forest School) for the new term. Please find the updated schedules below.

[PE Timetable Spring](#)

[Learning Without Walls Spring Term 1](#)

Children are to wear their PE kit to school on their PE and Forest School days. For Forest School, they should also bring their outdoor kit in a named bag. Children in classes scheduled to go swimming are to wear their uniform to school and bring their swimming kit in a named bag. Thank you for your support

## After School Sports Clubs

Polite reminder that spaces in our after school sports clubs will be confirmed in the w/c 8<sup>th</sup> January, spaces are as always first-come-first-served. The clubs overview can be found [here](#).

There are still limited spaces available in the following clubs: Parkour Club Years 5&6, Dance Club Years 1-6, Tennis Club Years 3&4.

For remaining spaces in Storm Basketball and Chelsea Football, please contact them directly.

Please note that all clubs start in w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

## Census Day School Lunch

We have a special menu for our Census Day on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January – [All Day Breakfast](#). Lunch bookings will be available on SchoolGateway shortly, don't miss out.

## Learning Without Walls – Parent Information Meeting

On Thursday, Mrs Hughes, our LWW lead, invited interested parents and carers to the Cafe for an informal meeting to give more information about the benefits of LWW (Forest school/outdoor learning) and encourage more volunteers to help with our sessions. Thank you to everyone who took the time to come along, we look forward to having you join us. If you missed the meeting and are interested in helping or would like more information, please email us [office@themill-tkat.org](mailto:office@themill-tkat.org).

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: [Happy & Sad](#)

We are signing the song: [Baa Baa Black Sheep](#)

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	Melissa G
Year 1 Monet	Tristan N
Year 1 Hockney	Beau R
Year 2 Goldsworthy	Isabelle P
Year 2 Lichtenstein	Isaac E
Year 2 O'Keeffe	Benjamin B
Year 3 Hokusai	Kami D
Year 3 Cezanne	Amarya A
Year 3 Mondrian	Bakhtawar Z
Year 4 Kahlo	Amir L
Year 4 Moore	Jennifer W
Year 4 Miro	Lucas W
Year 5 Rousseau	Holly T
Year 5 Egonu	Lexie C
Year 5 van Gogh	Joshua E
Year 6 da Vinci	Hosna F
Year 6 Riley	Kenisha M

## Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to this week's winners, our Year 5 classes had the highest attendance. Well done everyone!



## Diary Dates

### IMPORTANT - CANCELLED INSET DAY

Children are to attend school on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024**, the school will be **open as normal**.

### PTA Valentine's Disco

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
(Information to follow closer to the date.)

### February Half Term

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Back to school Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February due to Inset Day.

### INSET DAY

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

### PTA Mother's Day Sale

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
(Information to follow closer to the date.)

### Easter Break

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024.  
This includes a bank holiday on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

