



*Bring...
Creativity*

Dear Families,

What a week of contrasting emotions it has been here at Millbrook School. Many of you will already know that we received the devastating news that our former Executive Head, Mr Jake Imrie, sadly passed away. This has been incredibly hard for our whole community. Amid the sadness, though, we have also found comfort in sharing so many wonderful memories of Jake – his wild antics, his humour, and, of course, his exceptional leadership.

Some of our Winter Class children led a beautiful memorial assembly, and the mixture of tears and laughter truly reflected the impact he had on all of us. It was a touching reminder of how special he was and how deeply he will be missed.

In happier news, a group of our children had the very important job of choosing and collecting our school Christmas tree this week. They took their role very seriously, and the result is a beautiful tree now standing proudly in the hall. It was decorated in time for the big light switch-on at last night's Christmas Fayre, which was an enormous success

Events like the Fayre and Film Night don't magically happen – they are the result of almost military-level organisation from our incredible PTA and the generosity of our teachers and support staff who give their time to help. It truly is a whole-team effort, and I want to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who played a part. Without you, events like this simply wouldn't be possible.

Despite the emotional ups and downs, the strength of our community has been so clear this week and we are incredibly grateful for your continued support and care.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs James and team



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Spring Class	Awards	Summer Class	Autumn Class	Winter Class
WOW Award	English Award	Marella and Penelope K for completing the read, write inc programme.	Fraya for showing resilience with her spelling challenges.	Ace for demonstrating a commitment to his reading
Samuel - For working so hard on his letter formation this week! What a difference, Samuel! Well done!	Mathematician	Theo for his great reasoning maths ability.	Isabel for showing great progress in her Maths assessments.	Rozenn for demonstrating high levels of mathematical knowledge
	Valued Contribution	Betty for sharing beautiful and thoughtful vocabulary to inspire our class writing.	Lennox for working super hard all week and showing true persistence and resilience.	Valentina, Elana, Vivian, Lily, Sky, Edie, Poppy, Zennor and Faye for their assembly of remembrance for Mr Imrie

School Value Award...

School Values Award	Friendship	Courage	Creativity
	Harry for showing kindness and generosity to his friends, offering and sharing toys and resources.	Alex for having the courage and determination to finish all 3 maths tests, one after the other!	Vivian for her amazing seasonal miniature garden

Bring It! Award

Faye - For supporting the Torpoint and Rame Peninsula Lions Group with their Santa visits.



Class Attendance Award

Summer Class
with 92.9%

In the news this week

**How important is it to feel
a sense of togetherness?**



On Friday, the Princess of Wales will host her annual carol service, which will bring people together to celebrate kindness, connection, and community. The event aims to show how love can link people of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs, especially at times when the world can feel divided. It encourages everyone to think about the power of togetherness and the importance of supporting one another with compassion and joy.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Talk to someone at home – are they interested in this concert? Do you or they believe it will achieve its aim in bringing people together?
- > Are there any services, concerts, or events that you will be attending during the festive period?
- > Talk about what 'togetherness' means to you and your people at home.

Reminders for next week:

Please book any breakfast or after school wraparound sessions before the end of the previous school day and any lunches to ensure that your child gets the food choice that they would like.

Monday - KSI Netball Competition - selected students

Wednesday - Year 3/4 Mountain Bike Development Day

Thursday - EYFS and KSI Nativity - 1.30pm and 6pm

Friday - Christingle Service - 2pm

Attendance this week!

Our whole school attendance for this week was:

89.8% attendance

We are striving for
97% attendance

Spring:

85%

Summer:

92.9%

Autumn:

89.3%

Winter:

89.4%



Wellbeing Corner

This week is National Grief Awareness Week. With the recent news of the sad passing of our beloved Mr Imrie, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on his incredible legacy.

If you would like any support or guidance, please do reach out.

<https://penhaligonsfriends.org.uk/>

<https://jeremiahsjourney.org.uk/>

<https://www.childbereavementuk.org/>

<https://winstonswish.org/>



Caterlink Christmas Menu Tuesday 16th December

Please book in the usual way on
the MCAS app or My Child At
School in your web browser.

Please ensure your meal is booked
by Thursday 11th December.

Thank you.



Christmas Menu

- Roast Turkey with roast potatoes & stuffing
- Vegetarian Wellington with roast potatoes and gravy
- Christmas Cookies Or Chocolate Yule Log
- carrots and peas



caterlink
feeding the imagination



The ECO warriors and school council are looking at ways to reduce our carbon footprint. Here are some simple yet impactful actions we can all take:

-  Walk or scoot to school
-  Reduce plastic and wrappers in packed lunches
-  Turn off or unplug appliances when not in use
-  Embrace the 5 R's: Reduce, Recycle, Reuse, Repair, Re-make
-  Save water by opting for showers instead of baths
-  Plant more trees to help our planet thrive



Have you used either the battery or printer cartridge recycling boxes, remember Recycle4Charity will pay us for them



Wraparound Care

Wrap around provision is now available from 7:45 am until 6:00pm Monday - Friday. All sessions must be booked in advance on MCAS.

Please email
Breakfast club
J.Rickard@stbarnabasmats.com

After School club
hmorgan@stbarnabasmats.com



Breakfast Club

7:45 until 8:45

We serve cereal, crumpets, toast, fruit juice, yoghurt and fresh fruit

All for £3.00 a session
(Pupil premium are entitled to a 50% discount)

It's a lovely social setting we all sit and eat breakfast together.

Afterwards the children can colour, play board games, use the chrome books, play table tennis or just sit and chat to their friends.

So if your child struggles with mornings, come along to breakfast club, it's a great start to the day.

Reminders:

- ★ Please book wraparound the week before for the coming week - this enables us to staff it accordingly keeping in ratio
- ★ Emergency bookings and cancellations in exceptional circumstances only need to be communicated with the office.
- ★ All children are to be collected from the front office door- ring the doorbell and wait for Mrs Rickard or Ms Morgan to come.

Community Page



Another wonderful festive competition being held by our Parish Council!

Millbrook Christmas display competition

Decorate the outside of your properties with a Christmas themed display

Judging will take place on 16th December between 5 and 6:30pm

**Prizes will be awarded for two categories;
Residential
Commercial (businesses)**

**Deadline for registration
15th December 2025**

**Please email name, address and telephone number to
enquiries@millbrook-pc.gov.uk**

Head your email 'Christmas Display Competition'

Community Page

Kernow Health will be running flu clinics at various locations across Cornwall in early/mid-December, by appointment only. If your child missed out on our school session and you would like them to have the flu vaccination, please contact them for an appointment.



School aged vaccinations

Did you know children will be offered these routine vaccinations at school?

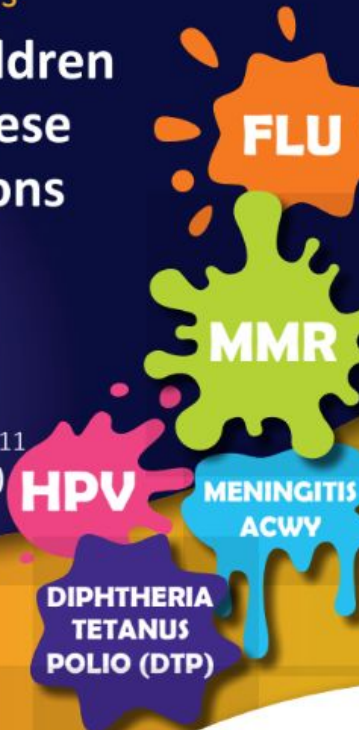
- ✓ **FLU** - Reception - Year 11
- ✓ **MMR** - Catch-up
- ✓ **HPV** - Year 8 - Year 11
- ✓ **Meningitis ACWY** - Year 9 - Year 11
- ✓ **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP)** - Year 9 - Year 11

Did you miss us?
We also have community clinics across Cornwall for:

- ✓ Home educated children
- ✓ Anxious children
- ✓ Children who missed the session at school

Call us on
01872 221105

Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net





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During the Christmas holidays, Plymouth Argyle Community Trust are running running Christmas roadshows for just £10 to £15 a day!!

Our roadshow is the perfect programme to keep your children active and engaged in the holiday period. Sessions focus on fun activities and games, giving children of all abilities the chance to develop skills. Led by qualified coaches in a safe, structured environment where children can build confidence, enjoy fun-filled activities and make new friends.

Every child will leave with a prize at the end of the day!!

See flyers on the following pages

Link is below to book on:

<https://www.abler.io/shop/pafc/holidaycamps?region=East+Cornwall+%26+North+Devon>



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COME AND
JOIN US!



MULTI SPORTS

Monday 22nd December 2025 / Monday 29th December 2025

£10 per person

Burton Primary School

9:00am - 15:00pm

COME AND
JOIN US!



MULTI SPORTS

Monday 29th December 2025

£10 per person

Looe Primary School

10:00am - 15:00pm

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**CHRISTMAS
ROADSHOWS**

22 DECEMBER - 2 JANUARY | 9.30AM-3.30PM
BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES AGED 5-15

**BEACON
ELECTRICAL**

**£15
FOR THE DAY!**

**BOOK
NOW!**



**ARGYLE
COMMUNITY
TRUST**

01752 522202
argylecommunitytrust.co.uk

EAST CORNWALL / NORTH DEVON

Football Roadshow unless stated

Monday, 22 December
Callington 3G Sport's Centre
Lanivet Community Hub

Tuesday, 23 December
St Joseph's School, Launceston
Saltmill 3G, Saltash

Monday, 29 December
Lanivet Community Hub

Tuesday, 30 December
Saltmill 3G, Saltash
Bude Football Club

Wednesday, 31 December
St Joseph's School, Launceston
St Joseph's School, Launceston
- Multi Skills Roadshow





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IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR PENALTY NOTICE CHANGES FROM AUGUST 2024

The Department for Education (DfE) has said a fine must be considered if a child misses five days of school for unauthorised absence.

Under the new national framework, all schools will be required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.

From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country will be £80 if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days.

In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160.

Fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.





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Dates for your diary

Please note - these dates are subject to change

08/12/25	KS1 Dodgeball Competition
10/12/25	Autumn Class Mountain Bike Development Day
11/12/25	KS1 Nativity - 1.30pm
11/12/25	KS1 Nativity - 6pm
12/12/25	Christingle Service - 2pm
15/12/25	KS2 Netball Competition
16/12/25	Christmas Jumper Day
16/12/25	Christmas Dinner Day
17/12/25	Festive Biscuit making with Emma Shaw-Bishop
19/12/25	Last day of term!
05/01/25	First day of Spring Term!
28/01/25	Bag2School Collection - Details to follow

MORE DATES TO FOLLOW!

Keep in touch...

Communication is a two-way process, which we value and work hard on. Our first and primary communication is this newsletter, which is published every Friday. Please read it to keep up to date.



Text Reminders



MCAS - Announcements



@MillbrookSchool



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Mr Stainfield: nstainfield@stbarnabasmats.com

Miss Treasure: mtreasure@stbarnabasmats.com

Mrs Edgell: bedgell@stbarnabasmats.com

Mrs Belton: rbelton@stbarnabasmats.com

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Millbrook C of E Primary School

Term Dates for September 2025 - July 2026



September 2025						
Mon		1	8	15	22	29
Tues		2	9	16	23	30
Wed		3	10	17	24	
Thur		4	11	18	25	
Fri		5	12	19	26	
Sat		6	13	20	27	
Sun		7	14	21	28	

October 2025						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tues		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thur	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

November 2025						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tues		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thur		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

Autumn Term

3 September - 19 December 2025

Half Term - 27 - 31st October 2025

Christmas Holidays - 22 December 2025- 2 January 2026

Spring Term

5 January - 2nd April 2026

Half Term 16th - 20th February 2026

Easter Holiday 3rd April - 17th April 2026

Summer Term

20th April - 23rd July 2026

Half Term 25th - 29th May 2026

Summer Holidays from 24th July 2026

School Holidays/ Weekends

Bank Holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2025
New Years Day	1 January 2026
Good Friday	3 April 2026
Easter Monday	6 April 2026
May Bank Holiday	4 May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026

Inset Days

3,4,5th September

5th June

22nd & 23rd July

December 2025						
Mon		1	8	15	22	29
Tues		2	9	16	23	30
Wed		3	10	17	24	31
Thur		4	11	18	25	
Fri		5	12	19	26	
Sat		6	13	20	27	
Sun		7	14	21	28	

January 2026						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tues		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thur	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

February 2026						
Mon		2	9	16	23	
Tues		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thur		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22		

March 2026						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tues		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thur		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

April 2026						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tues		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thur	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24		
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

May 2026						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tues		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thur		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
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June 2026						
Mon		1	8	15	22	29
Tues		2	9	16	23	30
Wed		3	10	17	24	
Thur		4	11	18	25	
Fri		5	12	19	26	
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July 2026						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tues		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thur	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

August 2026						
Mon	31	3	10	17	24	
Tues		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
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