

Millbrook Matters 25-26

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Dear Families,

We have been taking full advantage of the beautiful autumn weather this week and making the most of every opportunity to be outdoors or to bring the outdoors into our classrooms.

Winter Class had an unforgettable adventure climbing to the top (and back down again!) of Brown Willy on Bodmin Moor 🏔️. It was a challenge that needed endurance and perseverance, but they did it! The views from the top were truly spectacular and the sense of achievement was something the children will carry with them for a long time.

Another highlight this week was some perfectly legal apple scrumping 🍏 followed by Mr Bell showing the children how to use an apple press to make fresh juice. It was a fantastic way to learn about where our food comes from while also enjoying a well-earned autumn treat.

Back in Spring Class, the children brought the season indoors by using foraged conkers 🍂 to help with their maths learning. It was wonderful to see how the spoils of autumn could be transformed into practical and fun tools for counting, grouping and problem-solving. This simple yet magical activity reminded us all of the joy of learning from nature.

It has been a week filled with fresh air, determination and creativity. I am so proud of the children for the way they are embracing every new challenge and celebrating the wonder of the world around them.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Best wishes,



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Spring Class	Awards	Summer Class	Autumn Class	Winter Class
WOW Award	English Award	Mimi for her brilliant Snow Queen stories.	Rufus for writing an engaging opening paragraph to his fiction story.	Zennor - For your fabulous use of fronted adverbials.
Eli for knowing all the phonics sounds taught so far!!	Mathematician	Dylan for his amazing place value knowledge.	Cayden for his focus and determination in math lessons.	James - For your in-depth understanding of place value.
	Valued Contribution	Myshie for being an amazing role model in class.	Lennox for his support of the younger children at lunchtimes .	Anoushka - For your boundless energy and enthusiasm on our Adventure Day.

School Value Award...

School Values Award	Friendship	Courage	Creativity
	Tallulah and Sky - For being supportive and encouraging to one another during our adventure day!	Esme for being so brave after cutting her chin open.	Halley for her fantastic inventions in Curious Quest.

Bring It! Award

Rubus - For your superb Bring It homework this week! Well done!



In the news this week

**Can anyone break a record
if they try hard enough?**



Guinness World Records is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year. The book was first published in 1955, and is now sold in over 100 countries. Each year, it collects unusual and amazing records, from the fastest runners to the tallest buildings and silliest challenges. To mark its birthday, the 'global authority' on record-breaking achievements shared some records that no one has tried yet and is encouraging people to have a go.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Ask someone at home whether they are familiar with the Guinness World Records. What records can they recall?
- > Discuss the skills required to break records. E.g., hard work and ability.
- > Think about something you would like to get better at this year. What goal could you set and how might you achieve it? Share with someone 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 and Tuesday - Bikeability and Learn2Ride - selected students

Tuesday - Autumn Class Residential Deposit Deadline

Thursday 2nd October - Census Day Menu! Please make sure you check and book a lunch on MCAS.

Attendance this week!

Our whole school attendance last week was:

94.9% attendance

We are striving for

97% attendance

Attendance at school is so important - if you are having any difficulties with your child's attendance, please let us know so that we can support where possible.

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@stbarnabasmat.com

After School club
hmorgan@stbarnabasmat.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.

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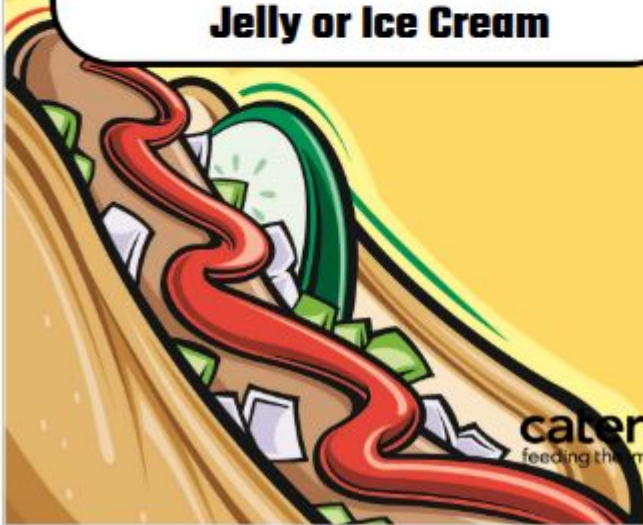
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HOT DOG DAY

2nd October

**Butchers Pork Sausage
or Vegan Sausage with a
choice of toppings served with
Chips
Jelly or Ice Cream**



caterlink
feeding the imagination

Census Day!

Thursday 2nd October is our
Autumn Census Day.

On this day, Caterlink are
providing a special menu for
the children! Please ensure that
you log in to MCAS to book
your child's meal.

Thank you!



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Wellbeing Corner

We are already 3 weeks into the new term and time feels like it is moving faster. This can be quite overwhelming at times. It makes us feel like we should know where we are going, what we are doing and have everything in order.

Here is a timely reminder that you don't have to have it all figured out right now. Remember to stop, take a step back and breathe. It will all be ok.

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Jenny - Joint Mental Health Lead





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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

- 29/09/25 Bikeability Learn2Ride and level 1&2
- 30/09/25 Bikeability Learn2Ride
- 30/09/25 Autumn Class Residential Deposit Deadline
- 02/10/25 Census Day!
- 08/10/25 Flu Vaccination Clinic
- 16/10/25 Summer Class Outdoor Dave Trip - details to follow
- 20/10/25 KS1 Sports Competition - Details to follow
- 21/10/25 KS2 Sports Competition - Details to follow
- 24/10/25 LAST DAY OF TERM
- 30/10/25 Winter Class Residential - Deposit Deadline
- 03/10/25 FIRST DAY BACK - AUTUMN 2

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



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Mrs Edgell: bedgell@stbarnabasmats.com

Mrs Belton: rbelton@stbarnabasmats.com

#BRINGIT





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YEAR 5 AND 6 OPEN ... EVENING 6pm

Thursday 2nd October

**Visit us to find out more
about what we offer at TCC!**

- On show:
- Meet the teachers
- See the classrooms and laboratories
- Library
- Sports and recreational facilities

**There is no need to book. For further details
please contact us using the details below:**

- enquiries@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk
- 01752 812511

**We are thrilled to
welcome our new
students for the
upcoming year.**





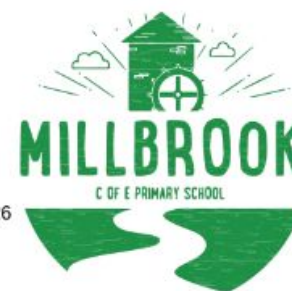
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Millbrook C of E Primary School

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	
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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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Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

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	
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Thur	2	9	16	23	30	
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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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