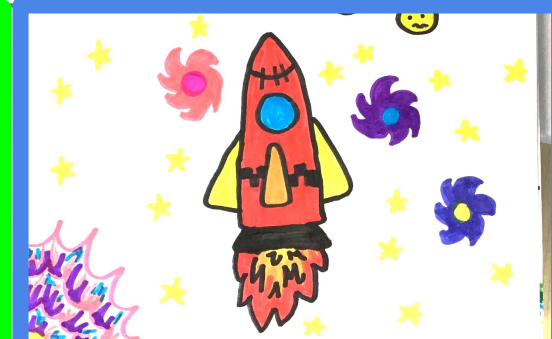
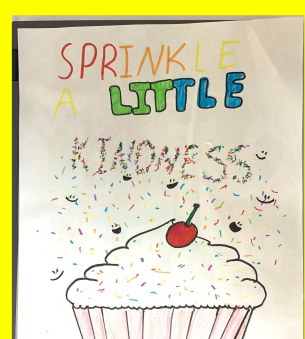


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Dear Families,

This week at Millbrook, our classrooms have been filled with big questions, thoughtful conversations and lots of reflection as we explored the theme of creation through our RE lessons.

RE is such an important part of our curriculum because it gives us the chance to make sense of religion and worldviews, explore some of life's big questions, discover what people believe and how those beliefs influence the way they live and most importantly, reflect on our own ideas and ways of living

As part of this, we joined with schools not only across our Trust but also across Cornwall in an online assembly led by the Reverend Canon Simon Cade to think about the close links between friendship, our focus value this term, and creation. It was wonderful to hear children recognising that kindness and care should not only be shown to our friends but also to our whole planet 🌱. The word that came up again and again was respect, and it made me so proud to hear how deeply our pupils were thinking about this.

Alongside the children's learning, our staff also took part in some spirituality training this week. Together we are working on ways to support children in noticing moments when they can reflect on their own ideas, ask curious questions about others' beliefs and celebrate the beauty and wonder of the world around us. ☀️

It has been a week full of thoughtful reflection, gentle kindness and a growing awareness of the importance of looking after each other and our planet.

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	Alice for her great ideas in Curious Quest.	Rufus for using cursive handwriting in his resolution paragraph.	Elana for reading and AR quizzing on seven books already this term. Your result have been inspirational!
Sully for fantastic phonics.	Mathematician	Harry J for ordering 2 digit numbers.	Lola for showing resilience when tackling reasoning and problem questions without support.	Edie for working so hard in maths this term and achieving full marks in the end of unit test.
	Valued Contribution	Marella for her amazing knowledge on animals !	Rosie for being a supportive member of Autumn class and being a great role model for the year 3's.	Holly for your amazing homework depicting your family tree.

School Value Award...

School Values Award	Friendship	Courage	Creativity
	Samuel, for playing so well with the other children.	Poppy, Ace and Frankie for completing their Level 2 Bikeability this week.	Isaac for his Geography homework.

Bring It! Award

Penelope - For getting up on stage last weekend with the band and singing to an audience!



In the news this week



Can sport bring people closer together?

Running charity, parkrun, has announced a new project called parkrun primary, which is bringing junior running events closer to primary schools. The aim is to give children more chances to run or walk and volunteer on weekends in a fun, free, and inclusive way. Organisers say it's not just about fitness, but also about helping children build friendships, confidence, and life skills in their local community.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Are there any parkruns near where you live? Have you or anyone in your family taken part in one? If not, would you like to?
- > What are some of the clubs or initiatives in your area that bring your local community together?
- > Alongside sport, what are some ways we can spend time with others?

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 - Flu Vaccination Clinic sign up deadline - Midday

Wednesday - Flu Vaccination Clinic in School

Friday - Harvest Festival - 2pm

Friday - 1st Cross Country League Event for Running Club

Attendance this week!

Our whole school attendance last week was:

93.8% 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@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.



The Mental Health Support Team warmly invite you to attend...

Wild Wellbeing

During October half term MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Halloween Wild Wellbeing session at various locations across Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.
Please book EACH child on to a session

Sessions available at:

- Golitha Falls - Tuesday 28 October
- Lanhydrock - Wednesday 29 October
- Dipping Pond, Goss Moor - Thursday 30 October
- Tehidy Woods - Friday 31 October

*Free parking at all sites

Activities will last approx. 2 hours
Please feel free to drop in from 10am, activities end at 1pm

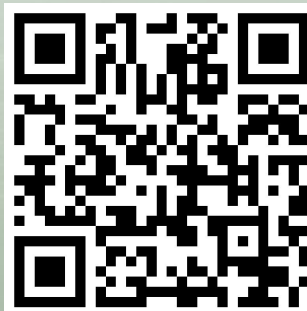
To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/fwtSJ59Cuv>

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
[Cornwall Mental Health Support Team \(MHST\)](#)

Wellbeing Corner

Following on from their previous successes, the Mental Health Support Team are running more Wild Wellbeing sessions during half term. They are free to attend. If you wish to join in the fun, please book a space using the link to their Google Form or the QR code:

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Jenny - Joint Mental Health Lead

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Smart Watches



Could we please respectfully request that children do not wear smart watches to school as they have many of the same functions as a mobile phone and pose a safeguarding risk in school. If your child does wear their smart watch to school, it will need to be handed in to the office in the mornings, in the same way as a mobile phone.

Thank you.



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The
deadline for
applications is
**15 January
2026**

Do you have a
child born **between
1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?**

If so, you will need to apply
for a place in a reception
class in September 2026 for
your child by the deadline
of **15 January 2026**.



Please note: you will need to apply even if
your child attends a school's nursery or pre-
school class. If a school is oversubscribed
the fact that a child attends a school's
nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery
or pre-school, does not automatically
guarantee a place at that school. The
school's oversubscription criteria will be
used to allocate places. Visit our website or
contact us for more information.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
for more information and to access the
online application system.



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Together 
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The
deadline for
applications is
**31 October
2025**

**Transfer to
secondary
school**

September 2026

Applying for a place
in year seven at a
secondary school



Information and guidance

Application form and information: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Telephone: 0300 1234 101



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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

08/10/25 Flu Vaccination Clinic
10/10/25 Harvest Festival in church 2pm
16/10/25 Summer Class Outdoor Dave Trip - details to follow
20/10/25 KSI 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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Mr Stainfield: nstainfield@stbarnabasmats.com

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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
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January 2026						
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February 2026						
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Sun	1	8	15	22		

March 2026						
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April 2026						
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May 2026						
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June 2026						
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July 2026						
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August 2026						
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