

End of Autumn term



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Newsletter

"Together towards our very best"

New Milton Junior School

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Headteacher message

Hello parents and carers,

As we reach the end of this Autumn term, I want to take a moment to celebrate all the amazing things our children have done! They have worked hard in class; shown kindness to one another; put on a fantastic show; and created a wonderful sense of togetherness in our school. NMJS is such a special place, and I know you'll join me in thanking our fantastic staff for all their hard work and dedication.

I hope you have a fun-filled break with lots of celebrations. Take care of each other, and most importantly, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I'm excited to see you all on Tuesday, January 6, 2026!



The children were magnificent! We could not have been more proud of them if we tried. As a club they worked their socks off both during club and over many a lunchtime rehearsal! The final performances reflected a cast who worked seamlessly as a team to both sound and look fantastic. Congratulations to them all, and thank you at home for your support with lines and costumes.



Announcements

The Christmas Carol service is being led by our amazing Year 4s, everyone is invited and we hope to see you all in Church on Friday 19th December at 9.30 am, St Mary Magdalene Church.

If any parents can support with walking the children to and from school to church, your help would be very much appreciated.

The school will close at 1.30pm on Friday 19th December, after afternoon registration.

Lost property will be displayed on a table in the main playground. In the case of bad weather, it will be in the school reception area. Please do come and check as we have several unnamed items!

Don't forget we have a good selection of PRELOVED uniform in the office; please come and help yourself to clothing.

Chartwells Catering

NMJS is changing to Chartwells catering from the 1st January.

Menus and applications for special diets have already been shared and information can be found on the school website.

<https://www.newmiltonjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Chartwells+Catering&pid=98>

Meals can be paid for in exactly the same way, either via SCOPay or cash to the school office. Cost of meals will be £2.75 per day (£13.75 for the week), Our debt policy remains, and we ask that meals are paid for as we go or upfront.

Our team in the kitchen hasn't changed- Jamie and Sally look forward to serving your children from the new menu's in January.

Important changes to be aware of:

*Cost £2.75 per day.

*Your child will no longer be able to purchase TUCK in school. Please send your child with a piece of fruit or a bread roll. We remain a nut free school.

*Jacket potatoes / Pasta will be the 3rd option each day.

Applying for Free School Meals

If circumstances change, you can apply for free school meals at any point in the school year.

[Apply for free school meals - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)



Have you visited the school website recently?

<https://www.newmiltonjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Community%3A+What%27s+On%2E%2E%2E%2E&pid=89>

We have created a page sharing all local events that have been sent into us, including the local HAF offer and events at New Milton Library

<https://www.newmiltonjuniorschool.co.uk/holiday-activities>

NEW MILTON LIBRARY

Tuesday 23rd December: 11-1pm Cooking Demo with Munch

Tuesday 30th December: 11:30 Winter Wonderland Christmas Magic Show

Tickets are free; however, places must be booked in advance. To find out more information and to book your place please follow the link on our website.

Upcoming Events

- Friday 19th December – Christmas carol service
- Friday 19th December – 1.30pm Finish for Christmas
- Monday 5th January – INSET day
- Tuesday 6th January – Children return to school
- Thursday 8th January - Y5 visit from actor and author, Chris Connaughton
- Monday 12th January – After school clubs start this week*
- Friday 16th January – 5HU Class assembly 9.00am - parents are welcome
- Wednesday 21st January – TT Rock Stars day*
- Friday 6th February – 5LA Class assembly 9.00am - parents are welcome
- Thursday 12th February – Y3 Egyptian day*
- Friday 13th February – INSET day
- Monday 16th February – 20st February – Spring half term holiday
- Friday 27th February – 5MI class assembly 9.00am - parents are welcome
- Wednesday 4th March – Fraser Portraits class photos
- Thursday 5th March – World Book Day*
- Friday 13th March – 4RO class assembly 9.00am - parents are welcome
- Friday 20th March – Red Nose Day*
- Thursday 26th March – Easter service*
- Friday 27th March - School closes at 3.30pm
- Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April – Easter holiday
- Monday 13th April – Children back in school

Dates are subject to change

*More information to follow

Fundraising

Last term we raised a tremendous amount for the following charities:



• Royal British Legion: Remembrance Day £110.32

• Children in Need: Pudsey £545.00



• Christian Aid: Little Christmas Cards £122.20 Thank you for your continued support!



Spring Term 2026 After School Clubs

Day	Club	Run By	Start Date	Finish Date
MONDAY	Film Club	Mr Tappenden	12.1.26	16.3.26
	Mindful colouring / drawing	Mrs Romley	12.1.26	16.3.26
	Boys Football	Mr Chappell	12.1.26	16.3.26
TUESDAY	Girls Football	Mrs Kitcher	13.1.26	17.3.26
	Fitness Fun	Mr Buckland	13.1.26	17.3.26
	Chess & Board Games	Mr Davies	13.1.26	17.3.26
	Netball	Mrs Wright	13.1.26	17.3.26
THURSDAY	Computing Club	Mrs Westwood	15.1.26	19.3.26
	Books, glorious books	Mrs Grinyer	15.1.26	19.3.26
	Samba drumming	Mr Geary	15.1.26	19.3.26
	Art Club	Miss Soakell	15.1.26	19.3.26
FRIDAY	Running Club	Mrs Austin	16.1.26	20.3.26

Spring term clubs will start on Monday 12th January and will run for 9 weeks. The last day of clubs will be Friday 20th March.

If you would like to secure a place for child at one or more of the clubs, please complete the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZH7WNXJ>.

Please only sign your child up for a slot if they will attend every week as places are limited.

The survey must be completed by 12.00pm on Wednesday 7th January. You will receive a text message informing you if your child has been allocated a place on Friday 9th January.

After School Clubs will take place from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. If you have any questions regarding the clubs, please contact the school office. If your child cannot attend a session, make sure to notify the school office. If we do not receive any communication and your child misses two consecutive weeks, they will be removed from the register, and their place will be offered to a child on the waiting list.

PTA

The PTA has been very busy over the past few weeks, wrapping shoe boxes for the chocolate hampers and collecting prizes for the PTA raffle. The team worked incredibly hard to secure over 60 fantastic prizes this year. The response from local businesses was amazing, with many being super generous and supportive.

A massive thank you to everyone who bought a ticket. We are incredibly proud to announce that we raised a total of £1887! Thank you again to everyone involved.

Last term, we purchased every class Wet Play games, which have already been fully utilised!

To run events next year, like the disco and cake sales, we need more volunteers, so please get in touch with us via the office or at nmjspta@outlook.com

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the PTA!

