

Autumn term

Newsletter



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"Together towards our very best"

New Milton Junior School

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Message from Mr Geary



Wow, we have been back two weeks and already a lot has happened. The pupils have settled into their new classes really well and there is a lovely buzz of learning evident throughout the school. Clubs have started and over 250 pupils will be attending at least one after school activity each week. This only happens because of the willingness of teachers to give up their time in order to provide a range of exciting activities. The school production this year is Matilda and I am sure it will be a huge success. As always, there are so many opportunities for the pupils here at NMJS. All we ask is that they rise to the challenges set for them.

I am always on the playground at the start and end of the day. Feel free to come and share your thoughts or just say hello.

Use of photos and cameras in school

Years 4, 5 and 6 will today bring home a new form that needs completing. The changing digital world has significant implications on how we use photos of the pupils. We have decided that we will not take any new images that depict the faces of the children in the school unless we obtain specific permission. With this in mind, we ask that parents refrain from taking any photos of pupils on the school site. Our main objective is to keep everyone safe in both the physical and digital world.

Let's have another great term.

Mr Geary

Reading



Thank you so much if you have already fallen into a routine of finding a few minutes - wherever possible - to hear your child read daily. We know life is busy, but it makes an enormous difference to your child accessing each and every lesson. If you would like any advice with how and when to hear your child at home, please chat with Mrs Grinyer at a time that is convenient for you.

We are looking for parent readers (between 8:50 - 9:15am daily) to support our children with reading in school. It is always lovely to have your support in school, and it is extremely beneficial for our children to be heard as often as possible. If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

If you wish to come and choose a book with your child to share at home, the school library is open for parents with their child every Tuesday 8:30 am, Wednesday 8:30am and Thursday 8:30 am.

Announcements

School Website

<https://www.newmiltonjuniorschool.co.uk/>

Please check the website for all the latest news, letters, breakfast club booking form and other information.

Wraparound Care

Breakfast club is offered at the junior school, (£4.00 per morning) drop off from 7:45am, booking forms are available on the school website or via the school office.

Twilight club is offered at the infant school and a link for all the information is below.

<https://www.newmiltonjuniorschool.co.uk/nmjs-breakfast-club-nmis-twilight-club/>

Parking at Drop Off and Pick Up Times

Please can we remind all families to be respectful of our neighbours when parking at drop off and pick up times.

We do offer a Park & Stride scheme. This is at the car park behind the Tesco Express, Old Milton Road.

Please call into the school office if you require a permit.

Cool Milk

Register your child for school milk today!

Our school provides a milk scheme that is available to pupils.

Each pupil who registers with Cool Milk will receive a carton of semi-skimmed milk every day, for around £20.00 a term.

Please call into the office for a registration form, or go to www.coolmilk.com for more information.

Snacks & Lunch

Snacks can be purchased from Hampshire Catering at breaktime. Fruit is 50p and a bread roll is 45p. Children will need cash to purchase.

You can also bring in fruit or a bread roll from home.

Dinners are ordered in the classroom each day and the menu can be found on the school website. The cost is £2.75 per day. Children can opt in for school dinners as they please.

Please contact the school if your child needs a special diet for medical reasons.

Nut-Free School

A reminder that we are a nut-free school to help keep children with serious nut allergies safe.

Please ensure that packed lunches do not contain nuts or nut products, including chocolate spreads containing nuts.

Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe.

Pre-loved Uniform

We have a large stock of donated uniforms, so if you require any items, please feel free to come and have a look.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 17th September	Fraser Portraits Individual Photographs
Wednesday 23rd September	Y5 Avon Tyrrell Residential meeting at 3.30pm
Tuesday 29th September	Flu immunisation https://www.hiowhealthcareimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=SH115929
Friday 2nd October	6WE Class assembly 9am - parents are welcome
Friday 9th October	Harvest Festival - Led by Y3
Friday 16th October	6PA Class assembly 9am - parents are welcome Year 6 height and weight*
Monday 19th October - Friday 23rd October	Y5 Avon Tyrrell Residential
Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October	Half term holiday
Monday 2nd November	INSET day
Wednesday 4th November	Parents' Evening*
Thursday 5th November	Parents' Evening*

All dates can be found on the website
Dates are subject to change

*More information to follow

Attendance



Our Attendance documents are on the school website:

<https://www.newmiltonjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Attendance&pid=76>

Please take the time to have a look at our 'Support and Expectations' documents, and please get in touch with Mrs Grinyer should you wish to discuss anything.

In 2025-26, our attendance was celebrated a significant success. Our goal is to have 100% of the children in daily, but we understand life happens.

Please talk to us. If we can help in anyway, it is our aim to do so before a problem grows. Getting your child in even on those trickier days, and trusting that we will send them home if needed makes a big difference to the progress both academically and socially that your child will make.

Thank you for your support day in day out; it makes a huge difference, but please know, if you have any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please do reach out to your class teacher or Mrs Grinyer at any point.



Are you interested in joining the PTA?

New members welcome.

Can you help the PTA on a regular or ad hoc basis?

If you would like to find out more, please get in touch with the PTA at: NMJSPTA@OUTLOOK.COM



Applying for Free School Meals

From September 2026, children whose parent/carer receives Universal Credit may be eligible for Free School Meals, regardless of household income.

If your circumstances change, you can apply at any point during the school year.

👉 Check your eligibility and apply:
<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

If you think your child may now be eligible, please apply to make sure they receive the support they are entitled to.