

Milldene News 22

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Science Week

A big "Thank You" to everyone involved in helping to make Science Week an exciting, interesting and enjoyable event for all the children. They participated in a variety of activities and developed their 'working scientifically' skills during the whole week. To build upon our Bronze Space Education Quality Mark, we had Space as the theme for two days and on Friday invited Roger Pittock, our Space Ambassador, back into school for the day. The Star Gazing evening organised by the PTFA was an added bonus and one many children will not forget.

Mrs Read: Science Coordinator



11+ Exams for 2019 Entry

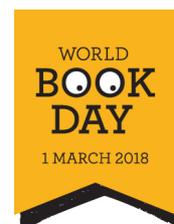
A reminder that registration for the 11+ exams for children looking to start secondary school in 2019 will be from 5th June 2018 to 20th July 2018. The test itself will take place on Saturday 22nd September 2018.



Please visit www.csse.org.uk for full details and to order past papers.

World Book Day—This Thursday!

On Thursday we will be celebrating World Book Day! We are inviting the children (and staff) to dress up as their favourite character from literature.



If your child does not have a costume to wear, then they are welcome to attend in usual non-uniform.

Books and Biscuits

We talked today about how valuable it was to have first hand experiences to draw on in order to make our writing more detailed. The children are very lucky to have a rich menu of clubs and activities, both inside and beyond the school gates. Thank you for enriching their lives through family trips and visits to interesting, cultural and historical places within Essex and indeed much further afield. These experiences all help to broaden their horizons and outlooks.

Mrs Locke

This week's participants were:-

Ruby: Joshua H	Opal: Evie
Sapphire: Ryan	Emerald: Eloise
Topaz: Paige	Diamond: Archie
Amethyst: Millie	





Thank you to everyone who supported the Stargazing evening last Thursday. And a big thank you to our hosts, **North Essex Astronomical Society**, for their interesting presentation and for the wonderful opportunity to see the moon and stars up close.

Spring disco | THIS Friday | 4:00-5:15pm (Infants) / 5:30-7:00pm (Juniors)



Many thanks to everyone who returned their form and payment by last Friday's deadline. We are no longer accepting forms, but you can pay on the door at the disco (£4). Slap bands, bracelets, temporary tattoos and other goodies will be on sale on the night - we suggest between £3-£5 spending money. Thank you to all our parent volunteers, we will be in touch later this week. **However, we still need helpers for the junior disco so please let us know if you can help.** We hope the children have a great time!

Mother's Day gifts | NEXT WEEK



Please check your ParentMail for details of how to pre-order the Mother's Day gifts. Forms are also available from the school office. The children can purchase and wrap surprise gifts for someone special. Please return the order form and cash (NO OLD £10 NOTES) to the school office **promptly by pick up THIS THURSDAY.**

Your School Lottery – have you got your ticket?



Congratulations to last Saturday's winner. Please join now at <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/milldene-primary-school> to be in with a chance of winning.

Thank you for your support, Milldene Primary School PTFA

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Ruby Class Residents

As part of Science Week, Ruby and Sapphire Class have been observing chick eggs, which have been placed in Ruby Class. We are delighted to say that we have five chicks in residence! Three of them are boys and two are girls.



The children have loved having the chicks with us, but they can only stay until this Friday. It has been a pleasure to have them, as always.

If you are able to offer any of our chicks a home, please contact the school.

School Meals

Please note that we are on Week 1 of our school menus this week.

Thank you.



Book Donations

A big thank you to Charlotte in Topaz Class for donating not one, but two books to celebrate her 7th birthday! Charlotte kindly donated *The Toilet Ghost* and *Baby Aliens Got My Teacher!* By Pamela Butchart. The books will be kept in Topaz Class for all the children to enjoy.

Thank you!



Attendance

Last week's attendance award went to Ruby Class, who had an attendance figure of 99.63%. Well done!

As a school, our overall attendance was 95.79%. We are slowly improving and creeping towards that all important 97%. With a little more effort we should get there!

Remember: every day counts!

Family Learning with Adult Community Learning Essex



Is Your Child Safe Online?
Adult Community Learning Colchester
FREE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 28th March 2018
10 am- 12 noon

Do you want to be more confident in making sure your child's online experience is safe?

Does your child use Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook and Twitter?? Do you know if they are safe?

Come along to this **FREE** workshop to find out more.

To book please drop in at Reception or call Sarah on 03330 320903 quoting course code: EWL3A40Y17

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Adverse Weather

Thank you for getting our boys and girls to school safely and on time during the snowfall and freezing temperatures.

Please be advised that any changes to school opening times will be communicated via the ParentMail system.