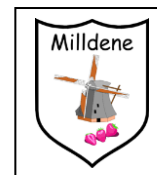


# Milldene Primary School Newsletter



**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers,

At the end of our first full week back, it's been wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled into school life. Thank you to the parents who attended the Year 6 and Year 3 Parent Information Meeting this week. Please see 'Diary Dates' for other year group meetings.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Coxhead

## Gardening Club is back!

Welcome to all our new and existing gardeners! We have kicked off the new term with a bumper harvest of apples that we donated to the kitchen. The beds are being dug over too and we are making good use of the items that were kindly donated.  
*from Mrs Dale.*

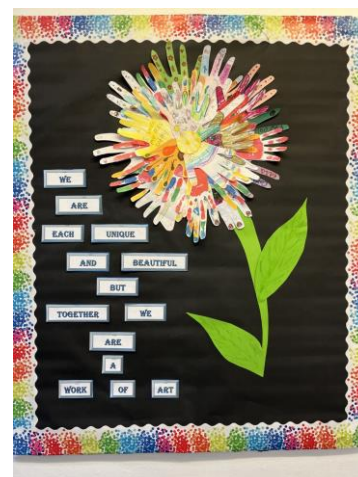


## ELSA – a message from Mrs Smith



A Big Thank You!

During the last term, I asked for your help to create an inclusive piece of art for the ELSA Wellbeing Room Display Board by drawing around your hand and decorating it. Thank you to everyone who created a hand for me and below is the finished display.



Thank you all so much you are amazing!  
Mrs Smith

## SEND

Colchester Parent SEND Support Group.  
The next meeting is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September  
10am-12pm at Greenstead Community  
Centre, Hawthorn Avenue, Colchester, CO4  
3QE.



## Attendance and Punctuality

Congratulations to **Year 3** who won the first  
Attendance Cup of the year with 97.6%.



## Diary Dates

Date	Event
15.09.25	Year 5 Parent Information Meeting at 3:30pm
16.09.25	Year 1 Parent Information Meeting at 3:30pm
16.09.25	PTFA Annual General Meeting at 7:00pm
17.09.25	Year 2 Parent Information Meeting at 3:30pm
18.09.25	Year 4 Parent Information Meeting at 3:30pm
23.09.25	Reception Class Parent Information Meeting at 3:30pm

**Core Value Awards:** James Y6, Harriet Y5, Shakira Y4, Leon Y3, Alfie Y2, Evie Y1

*kindness*

*respect*

*curiosity*

## Morning Break

As part of our commitment to the Essex Healthy Schools Programme, we will no longer be providing biscuits at morning break. If needed, we encourage parents to send in a healthy fruit snack from home. Children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to be provided with free fruit. Thank you for supporting our efforts to promote healthier habits for our pupils.

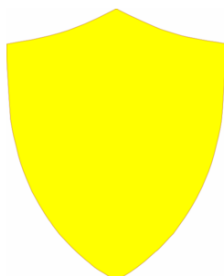
## WOW Awards

Y1	Joshua and Tilly
Y2	Elis and Ethan
Y3	Eleanor and Macaiyla
Y4	George
Y5	Naomi and Reggie
Y6	Huwaina and Noah

## House Points

This week's winning house is Curie with 292 points.

**Curie**



**Milldene Primary School**

**'Living and Learning Together'**

*kindness respect curiosity*



## **Year 6 to 7 Secondary School Admissions for September 2026**

The new secondary school admission round opened today, Friday, 12 September 2025, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2026.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2025.

Applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

The website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2026-27 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies.