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MILTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Website: www.miltonprimary.co.uk

4th September 2009

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope your family enjoyed the summer break and that the children are relaxed and looking forward to an exciting new term. At this time of year many new families join our community; if you are one of them, can I take this opportunity to warmly welcome you to Milton School.

It has been a busy six weeks at school! As part of our on-going programme of improvement the Y1 (year 1) classrooms have been refurbished and a mini ICT suite created. We have also bought lovely new bookcases and seating so that we can create more exciting reading areas for the children to sit and enjoy books. As with all refurbishments we have endeavoured to improve access for individuals with special needs.

Staffing

I am sure you will join me in welcoming two new members of staff, Mrs Gray who will be teaching Y2 and Mr Fraser our new KS2 (key stage) deputy and Y6 teacher. I know they would be pleased if you introduced yourself to them.

Since September 2005 PPA time (Planning, Preparation and Assessment) has become a legal obligation in all schools, so each week on a regular basis your child will be taught by another member of staff. We are also fortunate in having a skilled team of teaching assistants who regularly work with teachers and their children. Next week you will receive a year group newsletter which will inform you of the names of all the adults working in his/her class.

Mid-day Supervisor

We are looking to appoint a mid-day supervisor for Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday each week. The ideal person would also have the flexibility to cover the occasional absence of other lunch time staff. Mid-day supervisors work from 12.15 – 1.30 term time only. (£6.75 per hour – pay award pending.) Experience of working with groups of children would be an advantage. A full CRB would be required. Please contact the office for further details.

Children's Clothing

Please can I remind you of the need to clearly name all of your child's clothing. It is also essential to regularly check that your child has brought home his/her own uniform as it is easy for it to get muddled. Parents are understandably cross when named items get lost, I am sure they are circulating around the school population with parents unaware that their child is not wearing his/her own clothing.

School Meals

Please can I remind you that the cost of a school meal has gone up to £2.00. Money can be paid termly (£142.00), half termly (£72.00) or weekly (£10.00). Please make cheques payable to Milton Primary School.

Information Sharing

We will continue to try to keep you informed of school events and issues through regular newsletters sent on Fridays via 'parent mail' (from mid September) or with the children. You will see from the dates attached that parent/ consultations are in the week beginning October 12th, however if you need to discuss any issues before then please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher. They are all out on the playgrounds at the end of the school day. The website is currently being updated and transferred to a new host, and hopefully this will be available from mid September.

On Thursday 10th September (3.30 – 4.00) you are welcome to make an informal visit to your child's class. I am sure the children will enjoy showing you around their new rooms.

Yours sincerely

S J Dorrington

Mrs Ashman will be teaching woodwind on Monday afternoons. If your child (year 4, 5 or 6 only) is interested in learning a woodwind instrument (flute, clarinet, oboe, bassoon and saxophone), please send them along to see her then, or contact Cambridgeshire Music www.cambridgeshiremusic.org.

MILTON RANGERS F.C.

FIRST SESSION IS SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

MILTON RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB meets on Saturday mornings at Milton Primary School (entrance via Humphries Way) during term time between 10.00 and 11.30am. All children that attend Milton Primary School are very welcome to attend. And we particularly welcome girls and boys who have not attended before. Children from foundation (reception) classes are very welcome but please make sure that all children wear the right football kit and are prepared for the colder weather! Please also give your child (ren) a drink. Children under 8 must be dropped off and collected by a parent. Children under 5 must have an adult carer (parent or guardian) stay with them throughout the session. The object of the club is based on all players having **FUN**. We coach individual and team skills. Fair play, good conduct and the nature of competitiveness will be promoted. But we want the children to enjoy themselves.

Andrew Latchem – Secretary Milton Rangers F.C.