

WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2025



MILWARDS PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER



Welcome back!

In the blink of an eye, the summer has gone, and our thoughts turn to darker evenings and, dare I say, Christmas performances! All the staff at Milwards hope that you had a pleasant and restful summer. I delivered the first assembly of the year this morning, and it's always one of my favourites as the children looked so smart. I did, of course, remind them to pester you about ensuring that their lovely new uniforms are marked with their names.

This term, we welcome three new members of teaching staff to the team: our new SENCO, Mrs Scott; Mrs Grant, who will be working in Years 3 and 4; and Mrs Klingenspor, who will be working alongside the team in Year 6.

With Year 6 in mind, it seems a good time to give you early warning that applications for an Essex secondary school place for the next academic year open on 12 September 2025. The window for applications closes on 31 October 2025. It can be accessed using the following link: [Essex Secondary School Admissions](#).

Please be sure to check each individual secondary school for their Open Evening times. At this point, we have not been supplied with a list of these, so I recommend you visit the respective school website or give the school a call.

A reminder that we are also no longer opening the gate adjacent to the Community Centre at the end of the school day.

We very much look forward to working alongside you this academic year and all the exciting events that are due to take place.

Kind regards,
M. Doughty
Head Teacher

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THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR COMMUNITY! 😊

Privacy Notice Please see the following link to a page on the HILT Academies website where you can view the Privacy Notice for Pupils and Parents.
<https://www.milwards.essex.sch.uk/general-data-protection-regulation-2018/>

Contact details

A reminder to please keep all of your contact details up to date. This can be done by logging into your Arbor app or via the website: Milwards Primary School and Nursery.



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SHARE OUR POSTS AND SPREAD THE JOY ABOUT THE AMAZING LEARNING HAPPENING HERE. FOLLOW US TO STAY UPDATED ON ALL THE EXCITING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES. LET'S GROW, LEARN, AND HAVE FUN TOGETHER UNDER THE BRIGHT SUN! 🌞

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A Message from Our New SENCO

Hello! My name is Mrs Scott, and I'm delighted to introduce myself as the SENCO working across the Trust. I'm really excited to be stepping into this role and can't wait to get to know the children, families, and wider school community. Over this first half term, I'll be reaching out to parents and carers to introduce myself properly and begin working together to support the individual needs of our wonderful children. If you see me around, please do feel free to come and say hello, I'd love to meet you! I'll be in touch soon, and I look forward to working together

Newsletter Diary

With each newsletter, we'll include a diary featuring important dates. As new dates come up, we'll add them and highlight them for easy visibility. Please keep in mind that our school diary is always evolving, so some dates might need to be adjusted. We'll strive to keep these changes to a minimum!

Date	Event	Additional information
04.09.25	Year 6 meeting	Expecations for Year 6 in classroom at 3.30
08.09.25	Year 4 meeting	Expecations for Year 4 in classroom at 3.30
09.09.25	Year 1 and year 2 meeting	Expecations for Year 1 and year 2 in classrooms at 3.30
10.9.25	Year 3 meeting	Expecations for Year 3 in classroom at 3.30
09.09.25	Nursery starts again	Nursery starts again today for all our current nursery students. New children will receive separate transition timetables.
11.9.25	Year 5 meeting	Expecations for Year 5 in classroom at 3.30
12.09.25	Secondary applications open	https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/secondary-school-places
23.09.25	Individual photos	The photographer will be in to take individual photos
26.09.25	Reception meeting	In the Hall at 9.00 - How we teach maths and phonics and how you can support at home.
27.10.25-31.10.25	Half term	
31.10.25	Secondary applications close	Applications for Secondary School need to be submitted online by this date
28.11.25	INSET	School closed for staff training
12.12.25	Pantomime	Optional trip to see Sleeping Beauty

Date	Event	Additional information
05.01.26	Start of the Spring term	School opens at the normal time for the new term
16.02.26-20.02.26	Half term	
27.03.26	End of the Spring term	School closes at 1.30pm as this is the end of the Spring term. PM nursery children should attend the AM session this day.
19.05.26	Class photos	Class and team photos
17.07.26	End of the Summer term	School closes at 1.30pm as this is the end of the Summer term. PM nursery children should attend the AM session this day.



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