

## Newsletter - 12/01/26

### Welcome back.

It is lovely to see our children and parents again after the holidays.  
Welcome to our new starters, we look forward to getting to know you all.

### Learning this half term:

This week your key person will be giving you all the information about what the children are learning this half term. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask us. You will also find useful information on our website <https://www.mcmillan.lancsngfl.ac.uk/>

### Tapestry

Tapestry is our online learning journal so we can share with you, what your child is learning in nursery. You can also share with us, what you have been doing at home.

All new starter parents will receive an email so they can activate their tapestry account. If you require any further assistance, please see Mr Hamza in the office.

### Save the date

#### School Leavers Phonic and Number Work Shop

This will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Further details will be sent out shortly

### New Parent Information Session

We have a session for the parents of our new starters on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February. Further details will be sent home.

### Home Learning

#### Homework Project

Each half term we provide a homework project for you to complete with your child at home. Certificates are awarded to children who complete the project.

*This term's project is 'Being an Artist,'  
What different types of artworks can you create?*

*At home, with your child you could...*

- ✓ Paint or draw a picture?



- ✓ Make a collage?





- ✓ Take a photograph?



- ✓ Make something out of junk modelling



- ✓ You could make a frame for your artwork



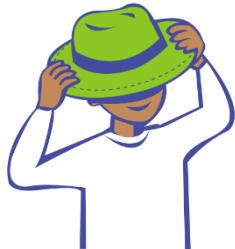
You could share your learning with us, by putting it onto tapestry or bringing it into Nursery.

You can complete this project anytime this half term (until Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026)

We look forward to seeing your Artist Projects.

### Skill of the half term

Our skill of the half term is to put on hats and shoes. We would like our school leavers to also be able to put on gloves.



Further details about the skill of the half term will be given.

### Attendance

8 of our children had 100% attendance for the Autumn term. These children all received a certificate and present.

We had 18 children who had excellent attendance, over 94%

We had 3 children with significantly improved attendance.

Well done and thank you to all these children and their families.

It is important to attend nursery every session so we can prepare your child for school. If you cannot attend, please contact Mr Hamza on 01282 612709 to let him know the reason for your absence.

### **Uniform**

Uniform is not compulsory, but we do have nursery sweatshirts, polo shirts and book bags. They are on display in our entrance. If you would like some nursery uniform, please see Mr Hamza in the office.

### **Adverse Weather**

In the event of adverse weather, we always make every effort to remain open. Our advice to parents/ carers is 'only travel if it is safe to do so'. If it is unsafe to open due to severe weather conditions, parents/ carers will be notified via email and the website.

### **Community information**

#### **Primary School 2026 - FINAL REMINDER**

If you haven't already done so, remember to apply for your child's primary school if they go to Primary School in September 2026.

**Thursday 15 January 2026** - This is the closing date for primary applications

**Thursday 16 April 2026** - Offers issued to parents

It is the parent/carers responsibility to apply for a Primary school place but if you do require assistance, then please see Mr Hamza in the office.

You apply online at:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/>

### **Other News**

We are delighted to introduce Miss McVeigh to the McMillan team. She is the new Bumblebee Key Person after Mrs Taylor's retirement. Miss McVeigh comes with a wealth of experience and will make herself known to the parents of the Bumblebees on the door.

If you would like any further information or any questions, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Ms Cathy Stokes, Headteacher

