

## Dear Families,

Time really is flying and unbelievably we're already half way through the first half of Autumn Term. It's been great to see so many of our families engaging with the Seesaw learning platform with many commenting that it has led to further discussions at home about class themes and school work. If you would like any help using any of the features of Seesaw or you would like additional family members added to your account let us know. Something I have really enjoyed over the last few weeks is being able to very easily see the breadth of curriculum we offer here at Mill View. Here are just some of the great things that have been happening across school this week.



#### **School Developments**

The exciting first phase of our outdoor play area renovation will start on Monday and is due to take three weeks to complete. We are working closely with the Pentagon Play team to ensure that access to our school site at the start and end of each day is clear for you to walk through and we will keep you updated with anything you need to be aware of via PING.



#### Staff

Last week we received the great news that Mrs Robinson has been successful in her application to become a Specialist Leader of Education for the NCTEM Maths hub. This is great news for Mrs Robinson and also us here at Mill View who will benefit from her expertise in school as well as the high quality training she will receive to support her role. She joins Mrs Hetherington and Miss Gaunt who hold the status of Specialist Leaders of Education in English.

This year we will also be supporting Mrs Thomson in completing the nationally recognised Professional Qualification in Senior Leadership, this will have a hugely positive impact in supporting the strategic development of our school and is a great opportunity for Mrs Thomson. I am incredibly proud of the wide range of skills all members of our staff team have to offer our children, curriculum and each other and it's lovely to be able to share their good news with you.

Mrs Callaghan in our school office has recently stepped into a newly created trust role of school business manager. Mrs Callaghan is integral to the smooth running of many of our school systems and we are delighted that her skills and talents have been recognised.



#### Food bank

# WEST CHESHIRE FOODBANK SHARING FOOD: CHALLENGING INJUSTICE: PROMOTING DIGNITY

Over the next three weeks we will be collecting contributions outside school at the beginning and end of the school day for the West Cheshire foodbank. There is no doubt that an increasing number of people within our community rely on this important charity and it would be great if we could pull together to support them. A collection box will be on the bench by the main school gates from Monday. They are particularly in need of; tinned meat, bags of sweets, long life juice / small bottles of cordial, tinned potatoes, instant custard, instant mash, tinned puddings / fruit.

### The MVP Governing body

Our Local Governing Body are responsible for overseeing the strategic direction and management of our school. They enable us to run as effectively as possible, working alongside myself and Mrs Gibbons and supporting teachers to provide excellent education to children. We are very lucky here at Mill View to have an incredibly committed Governing Body who bring a wide range of skills and expertise from their professional lives to the governing board. Following a recruitment drive 18 months ago our Governing Body have committed to high levels of training and are always looking for ways to improve processes and impact. We are currently developing new ways to ensure that our Governors remain visible within our community while current social distancing measures are in place.

The MVP Governing Body & special responsibilities

Stephen Webb	Chair of Governors <a href="mailto:stephen.webb@millview.cheshire.sch.uk">stephen.webb@millview.cheshire.sch.uk</a>
Laura Edwards	Vice Chair and Health & Safety
Anuska Dostalova	Pupil Premium & Looked After Children
Joanna Disley	Governor Training
Hailey Kelso	Finance
Denise Noble	SEND
Sam Glendenning	Staff Governor
Ali Gibbons	Staff Governor
James Brown	Data Protection
Jane Beston	Safeguarding

Have a great weekend everyone.

Mrs Doyle and the Mill View TEAM

Dates to add to your diary - further dates will be added as events are arranged so please do check each newsletter		
for changes.		
Whole school zoom assembly	Every Friday 10am	
You are all welcome to join us if you can.		
Meeting ID 898 5770 4189		
Password assembly		
If you child is receiving a celebration assembly postcard their class teacher will let you know via Seesaw		
Individual school photos (unfortunately due to social distancing measures we are unable to invite younger siblings into school for photos this year)	15 <sup>th</sup> October	
STEAM week celebration – you will be invited to join your child's class to share their learning remotely – invites to follow	23rd October	
Non – Uniform Day (bring £1 for our class nominated charities)	23 <sup>rd</sup> October	
Last day of Autumn Term 1	23rd October	
STAFF INSET (No children in school)	02 <sup>nd</sup> November	
First day of Autumn Term 2	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	
Parents Evening – Parents evening will be held remotely this term. Time slots will be made available two weeks before.	10 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> November	
Family Carols in the Forest – TBC dependent on social gathering restrictions at the time	09 <sup>th</sup> December	
KS1 Christmas Performance – We will confirm the format of the performance nearer the time	15th & 16 <sup>th</sup> December 1.45pm	
KS2 Christmas Performance - We will confirm the format of the performance nearer the time	17 <sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm	
Last day of Autumn Term	18 <sup>th</sup> December	
First day of Spring Term 1	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	