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## Important Start Dates/Times for September

### Wednesday 2nd September

#### Year 7—New Starters/Induction

8.15am - 2.45pm

Enter via Main Reception

### Thursday 3rd September

#### Year 7 - 8.15am - 2.45pm

Enter via Main Reception

#### Year 8 - 8.45am - 2.55pm

Enter via Maths Block Entrance

#### Year 9 - 9am - 3pm

Enter via Student Entrance

### Friday 4th September

#### Year 7 - 8.15am - 2.45pm

Enter via Main Reception

#### Year 8 - 8.45am - 2.55pm

Enter via Maths Block Entrance

#### Year 9 - 9am - 3pm

Enter via Student Entrance

#### Year 10 - 8.30am - 2.50pm

Enter via Student Entrance

#### Year 11 - 8am - 2.40pm

Enter via Science Block

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# Millfield MESSENGER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this final Millfield Messenger for the academic year finds you and your families safe and well. This special edition aims to be a celebration of just some of our many achievements during this challenging academic year.

Over the last few months I have been humbled by the hard work of our students, our families, our staff and our community. I know that I have mentioned this in many letters and emails, but I would like to thank all the parents who have sent words of praise to the team. We are an exceptional school and every day I am reminded of how proud and privileged I am to be the Headteacher.

At the start of the Covid-19 crisis, I came across a quote from the artist Charlie Mackesy, which I copied to all the team at Millfield in my weekly staff briefing:

"What's the best thing you've learned about storms?" asked the boy.  
"That they end."

These last few months have been a storm, in so many ways, for so many. Families have had many challenges, including having to adapt to working from home and remotely educating their children. Like many schools, we have discovered that some of our families have struggled with remote learning as they did not have access to enough devices, and as a school this is something we are going to try to address. However, I am incredibly proud of the determination and resilience of our students and their parents; we have seen everyone trying their absolute best, and that is all we can ask of anyone.

Back on March 18<sup>th</sup>, a day that will stay with me forever, we all found out our schools would close to most students and our Year 11s would not sit their GCSE exams. Our Year 11s, in their final week in March were incredible. Every single teacher was proud of them; they were determined, they were mature and there was hardly a dry eye when the school gave them a guard of honour send off, when they left school on that final Friday. We wish them all every success in their futures.

We have also been exceptionally proud of our key workers' children, who have come into school and worked hard on their studies – they have been a credit to their families.

In our first parents' forum, held back in November 2019, parents asked that we have one central place for all information and communication to come from. I am pleased to say that in September we are launching *Talaxy*, which is linked to Insight (so passwords won't change!); this will enable your child to logon to access homework and they can also upload it to their teachers. I am also pleased to advise parents that all other action points raised in the meeting have now been completed. Due to its success, we will host another parents' forum in 2020/2021.

We are really looking forward to meeting our new Year 7s in September, Mr Byrne our Head of Key Stage 3 and Transition, has done a fantastic job providing a virtual induction and transition pack for them – my welcome message can also be found on the school's website. We know that most schools will not be able to provide an Open Evening for our 2021 Year 7 intake, but do not worry because our team are working really hard on providing a virtual Open Evening, which will be launched on our website in autumn.

We are very excited that we are able to open our doors to all our students again in September, and we will do what we do best: Be an exceptional team!

Stay safe and well over summer.

*N. Regan*

Nicola Regan  
Headteacher

To keep up to date with events, please follow us on our school Twitter page @millfieldhighsc.

## Be Exceptional!

## GOODBYE MR. BULLEN



In 2006, Mr Bullen became Headteacher at Millfield. He quickly turned the school around and made it the place where the families of Thornton and beyond wanted to send their children, and where teachers and staff wanted to come to work. He did this with his outstanding leadership qualities and his clear vision of a 'Team Millfield', a place where every child

matters. That vision means that for every child who walked through the doors into Millfield Mr Bullen wanted the best for them: the best education – full of opportunities. He wanted them to leave being the best that they could be. And that ethos and culture continues today, as we all strive to ensure our students receive an exceptional education, full of opportunities, as our students grow into confident young men and women.

Of course, he also has his other unique leadership qualities: his singing (we have all been treated to his many songs over the years!); his dancing and his famous impression of Churchill's, "we shall fight on the beaches" speech. In fact, no one can forget Mr Bullen's incredible speeches, and his charismatic manner on stage. As Adams said: "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." And that is most certainly what Mr Bullen has done for our school community over the fourteen years he has dedicated to Team Millfield.

Anyone who has worked closely with Mr Bullen over the years, can also tell you that part of his vision revolves around care; he cares about his staff, takes interest in them, identifies good qualities in them and seeks to ensure they are developed as teachers to be the best they can be. Of course, he also cares for the children, talking to them about what their journey through Millfield has been like, what we can do better as a school, and most importantly to make sure they have achieved their dreams, their aspirations.

Over the last two years Mr Bullen has been our Executive Headteacher, and now the staff, the students and the governors all wish him every success in his new position at FCAT. Everyone at Team Millfield will ensure that the diamond at the heart of Thornton continues to sparkle.

Goodbye Mr Bullen, we will all miss you!

## GOODBYE MRS. BONELL



It is with great sadness that the Learning Support Department say a fond farewell to two of our longest serving team members.

Mrs Bonell has been the Learning Support Manager at Millfield since 1998 (22 years!) and has worked tirelessly over that time to help and support students with additional needs to meet their potential. Over the years Mrs Bonell has supported hundreds of young people in school on a daily basis and on trips to places like Paris with the MFL Department. She has been incredibly supportive of everyone she works with, helped along with a good sense of humour. We wish her a long and happy retirement where she can enjoy lots of holidays and time with her family.

## GOODBYE MRS. ALLEN



Mrs Allen has been a Teaching Assistant at Millfield for 22 years. Her kind and gentle nature have made her a perfect support for students who have needed extra help and back up in lessons. I am sure that she is looking forward to being able put her feet up and enjoy more time with her family and her dog as she embarks upon a well-deserved and happy retirement.

## GOODBYE MRS. NEEDHAM



We are very sad to see Mrs. Needham retiring. She has been an incredible member of the team. Starting 4<sup>th</sup> September 2000, she worked in the finance department with Mrs. Mountford. She later moved on to be the Exams Officer and did an excellent job with Work Experience. Mrs. Needham has a great

ability to manage lots of projects all going on at the same time. She wore the many 'hats' very well. She made many friendships over the years and worked closely with Mrs. Atkinson, Mrs. Whiteside and more recently Mrs. Draper, as well as keeping the IT boys in check. A50 will miss the excellent homemade oat and chocolate cake, it was yummy! She was always extremely busy but always made time to share a brew and a chat with colleagues. Mrs. Needham has been a great help to so many students not only in helping them to feel calm and supported in their exams but also in supporting students with their work experience placements. She always goes above and beyond to help students make phone calls to employers and to give advice on how to be prepared for an interview. In fact she helped so many young people grow in confidence through her support on Mock Interview Day.

Mrs. Needham was often on hand to give advice to colleagues and her professionalism was always first class. Attention to detail is an impressive quality that she made look so easy. She will be sorely missed, not only for her excellent work ethic but also for her caring, supportive and good humoured nature. Good luck and best wishes from all at Millfield! We hope you have a happy retirement and enjoy spending more time with your family.

GOOD BYE & GOOD LUCK!





## GOODBYE MR. GERRARD



On October 31<sup>st</sup> 1990, Mr Gerrard walked through the doors of Millfield to begin his teaching career; now, nearly 30 years later and having taught at Millfield for over 25 years, he is leaving to become an Assistant Head Teacher at Armfield Academy. Students will be well aware of Mr

Gerrard's love of Liverpool FC, with the Anfield sign and 'Klopp the cat' on prominent display in the science lab! During his time he has undoubtedly had a huge impact on thousands of students and staff who have been part of Millfield; I am sure there are people reading this who remember being in Mr Gerrard's biology lessons! Mr Gerrard has been involved in many events and initiatives both in and out of the classroom over the years, from laughing yoga to STEM competitions. Students will know him as a passionate teacher; he has an imaginative way of helping students to remember things from anecdotes including Mrs Gerrard, to chants about the Kelvin Scale! Mr Gerrard will be missed and, on behalf of all staff and students, we wish him all the best in his new job.

## GOODBYE MR. GREEN



Mr Green is leaving Millfield after 2 years; he has been a real asset to the science department and will be missed! Mr Green came to Millfield as a trainee teacher 3 years ago and secured a permanent teaching position, since then he has become a much-loved teacher always going the extra mile to support students and helping them with everything

from centripetal forces to relationship advice! Mr Green has been an outstanding form tutor; students had an 'out of this world' experience at his popular astronomy club and had some exciting visits planned before Covid-19 unfortunately scuppered them. Mr Green is leaving Millfield for a career outside of teaching and we all wish him the best for the future.

## GOODBYE MR. CLANCY



It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to the bedrock of the History department, Mr Clancy. Godwin once said "Good teaching is 1/4 preparation and 3/4 theatre" and that is certainly true of Mr Clancy's classroom. The recreations of the Battle of Hastings and the variety of accents used during his lessons

have amused his students and colleagues for years. Every Open Evening there has been a steady stream of Mr Clancy's ex-students, many who are now the parents of Millfield's current students, coming to say hello and who still talk of his lessons fondly. Mr Clancy has been an inspiration for many, including Miss Elliott, and the whole Humanities department wish him every happiness in his retirement.

## GOODBYE MR. COOPER



It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to 'the man, the myth, the legend' that is Mr Cooper.

Peter Cooper started at Millfield in January, 1992 (almost 29 years ago) as part of the Design Technology team. He quickly established himself and it was soon realised what a talented, highly skilled and dedicated teacher he was. Over the years Mr Cooper has thrown himself into many different aspects of school life, from going on the Year 7 camp, driving the minibus on trips (an all-time favourite being the Lowry in Salford), supervising the after school Tae Kwando club and always being available to students to help them reach their full potential either after school or during the holidays. More recently he has offered advice to students to help them with future avenues of learning through his role as Careers Coordinator.

To staff he has been a constant support in his role as union representative. His humour in the staffroom has cheered up many staff members and his culinary soup creations have been greatly received with the money donated to charity as a result. He is an active participant in the 'Wainwright Walking Challenge' group and an avid cricket follower. He will be sadly missed from the staff end of term productions, where his natural dancing ability was given too much applause. At the centre of it all, he has always been supported by his wife and family. We all wish him a happy early Retirement, with many DIY projects to look forward to and time to spend on his many hobbies, while enjoying life with family and friends.

The final good bye comes from Mr Cooper himself, as in his own words, he was often heard to say to staff: "Carry on!".

GOOD BYE  
GOOD LUCK  
SO LONG, ADIOS  
CIAO, FAREWELL  
AUF WIEDERSEHEN  
ADIEU, CZESC, NAMASTE  
BUT HOWEVER WE SAY IT  
SORRY  
TO SEE YOU GO!



**Team Millfield  
wish you  
ALL  
the very best  
for the future.**

# Welcome to New Staff

## MR. HUMPHREYS

### Deputy Headteacher



Back in February 2019 I was looking on the TES to check if the advertisements I sent had been uploaded and I came across one school advertising for a Deputy Headteacher. Out of interest I read the job description and realised that it was the areas in which I had the most experience. I downloaded the 16 page application pack and after reading the testimonials from Alice,

Richie, Sarah, Hannah, David and Chris I had to go and look around the school. I was greeted by a very passionate and enthusiastic Headteacher who clearly had an exceptional vision for her school – I just had to apply!

Fast forward 16 months and I am coming towards the end of my first year at Millfield – what a year it has been! I remember when I started in September the term 'Team Millfield' was often used and I never understood this initially as all schools are teams but within a few weeks it dawned on me that this school has an exceptional team – one that I had never experienced in the previous 18 years of my teaching career. The way everyone works together continues to amaze me! In my first INSET with colleagues I remember saying that I wanted their help to make Millfield the best attended school in Lancashire. With a strong team effort our attendance rates are now higher than Lancashire and National Averages and we are the best attended school on the Fylde coast – what a result! This year, we have also redeveloped our curriculum offer and have a new timetable structure for the next academic year all whilst navigating our way through a global pandemic.

I am really excited about the future of our school and what we can achieve together. The staff and students have been so supportive and every day I feel so privileged to be part of Team Millfield.

## MR. TYSON

### Head of ICT and Business Studies



I am Mr Tyson, Head of ICT and Business Studies. I will be starting in September having moved from Saint Aidan's.

I Look forward to meeting you all in September. I have been a Teacher of Computer Science for the last 11 Years, as well as being a Head of Year for the past 7 of them. My biggest achievement in teaching to date is

being lucky enough to help write the Assessment Framework for Lancashire schools a couple of years ago. I have a passion for teaching and like trying different teaching strategies to get the most out of students. I have always loved computers; I like programming, web design and gaming.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with family and

friends, DIY and cooking (I trained as a chef before I became a teacher).

I am really looking forward to joining the Millfield team and am especially looking forward to meeting new people (staff and students) and making some really exciting changes to the Computing Curriculum.

I look forward to meeting you all in September.

## MISS CLARKE

### Maths Teacher



Hello I'm Hannah Clarke and I am very much looking forward to joining Millfield in the maths department. I want to introduce myself and let you know a bit about me. I studied maths at the University of Leeds before doing my PGCE in Preston; apart from work I am an avid netballer, competing in the North West region. As well as Playing, I coach and umpire, so I like to keep myself busy. I also very much enjoy walking with my family and 1-year old puppy Millie. I am looking forward to meeting you all in September.

## MR. BLUNDEN

### Maths Teacher



In the past couple of years I have either visited or worked at almost every high school in the Fylde area and I can say with 100% honesty that Millfield is far and away the best school I have been to and I am delighted to be staying on with the school teaching maths next year. I am local and when I am not busy with my two children or the many animals we live with, I spend my time playing the guitar, watching and playing football and reading horror and Japanese fiction.

## MR. NEWSOME

### Science Teacher



Hello everybody, my name is Mark Newsome and I am a science teacher. My apologies to all you Lancastrians out there but I am a Yorkshire man originally from Pontefract. I have a Biochemistry degree from Lancaster University, and as a student worked for a cancer research lab before starting teaching in 2015. I follow the

Castleford Tigers in Rugby league, and am trying to learn Italian in my spare time! I love my subject and believe science lessons should be fun and push every student to achieve their best, as we discover how our world works!



## MISS SHEPHERD History Teacher



Hi, I am Miss Shepherd and I teach History! I particularly love Elizabethan England and the Early Modern period. As you can tell, I love anything historical and my days off usually consist of visiting historic sites. This can range from castles to Roman forts. I enjoy reading and I am currently reading a book on Howard Carter. I am also a

massive Harry Potter fan and love anything to do with the books! At the minute I am also learning to knit but it is very slow progress so far...

However, most of my days are taken up looking after my dog- a husky who thoroughly enjoys going for walks and not staying very clean! I am really excited to be starting here at Millfield and looking forward to sharing my passion for History.

## MRS. DEVANEY Art & Design Teacher



Hello, I am Mrs. Devaney and I am going to be teaching Art & Design here at Millfield from September. I am very passionate about my subject and have been working as an Artist for over 10 years. Within our classes, I expect all pupils to try their best and experiment with their own style as well as trying lots of new ones. I am hoping to inspire the next Van Gogh! I will also be teaching

Textiles, Technical Drawing and SMART Materials.

## MISS SHARP Science Teacher



This will be my first year of teaching science after completing my teacher training with the Fylde Coast SCITT. I have a chemistry degree from the University of Central Lancashire and am a member of the Royal Society of Chemistry. During my degree I completed projects on: electrochemistry; the storage of nuclear materials and the separation

of isotopes. I grew up in St. Annes and have always loved being by the sea and enjoy taking my dog on walks on the beach. I also have tortoise called Norman. I really enjoy reading, especially on holiday. My favourite book is 'One Day' by David Nicholls and I am currently reading 'Hello World' by Hannah Fry. Teaching at Millfield will be my first job and everyone has been so lovely. I'm really looking forward to getting stuck in and being part of Team Millfield.

## MRS. McLAUGHLIN Teaching Assistant



My name is Stacey McLaughlin and I joined Millfield in October 2019 as a temporary member of staff in the Learning Support Department, working alongside a small group of students whom I have seen grow and develop an enthusiasm for learning. I was overjoyed when Millfield then offered me a permanent position within the Learning Support Department and I accepted the position to become a long standing member of Team Millfield.

## MRS JACKSON Design Technology/ Graphics Teacher



Hello! My name is Mrs Jackson and I will be teaching Design and Technology and Graphics from September. I live near Preston with my family and dog Poppy. I love baking, sewing, knitting, crochet and lots of other crafts. I also like to read and going for walks in the countryside. I am

looking forward to meeting you all and getting to know you and the school.

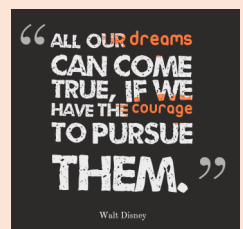
## MRS. FAIRHURST Careers Leader & Community Officer



Hello, I am Mrs Fairhurst and will be your new Careers Leader and Community Officer.

Have you thought about what you want to do when you leave school? Whatever your answer, I am passionate about opening your eyes to the endless career possibilities out there, giving you experiences of the real world and helping you achieve your career goals.

"All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them."  
Walt Disney



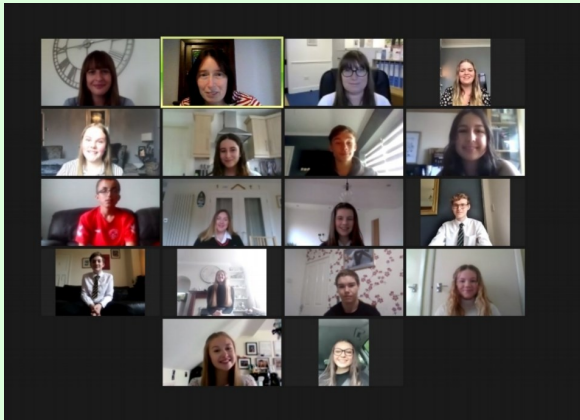
## SKYE Student Support



'Skye, Mrs Regan's dog, helping out at school.'

# Our Senior Students

## The New Senior Student Team



On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June we conducted our first ever Zoom interviews for the new Senior Student Team. It was a fantastic experience that we all thoroughly enjoyed. It was fascinating to hear the wide variety of activities they have been involved in, both in and out of school, ranging from sport, to employment and voluntary work and between them they have a huge amount of achievements. The students impressed us enormously and have some great ideas to improve our school. They had clearly prepared very well for their presentations and interviews. It was lovely to hear some of the wonderful comments the students made about the school and staff and their experience of Millfield. We're sure they will do a wonderful job.

Our Head Girl and Boy will be Harriet and Luke.

Our Deputies will be Georgia, Tegan, Kyle and Jacob.



Our Senior Prefects will be Richie, Josh, Katie, Sophie, Jessica, Phoebe, Gracie, Jennifer and Maddison.

Miss Gower  
Head of Key Stage 4

## Thank you and Goodbye

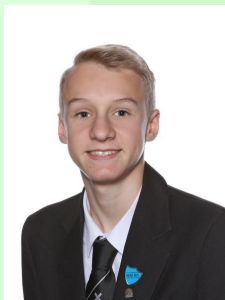


Hi there! This is Jade Hopkins, former Head Girl. There are no words to describe how amazing being Head Girl has been over this last year. The opportunities that have been passed my way are ones I will never forget and will always be thankful for. It feels like yesterday when I was able to lay a wreath with Alex (former Head Boy) at the cenotaph. There

were so many events where Alex and I were able to represent Millfield, such as: Remembrance services, Open Evening, Presentation Evening (which was the first event Alex and I represented the school as Head Boy and Head Girl) and many more! The confidence and determination I have is thanks to Mrs Regan and her team when deciding who will represent the school for 2019/20.

I never like saying goodbyes which is why it was so hard when Year 11 had to do it on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Although we had to leave four months early, Millfield gave us the best send off which - speaking on behalf of our year group - we will always be grateful for! Being at Millfield for the last five years has been incredible to say the least. The support from all the teachers is something I'm also thankful for and will never forget.

Thank you all for such an amazing experience and I wish the best of luck to the new Senior Leadership Team. Can't wait to see what you can do for Team Millfield!



First of all I would like to thank all the staff for their amazing support over the amazing five years I've had at Millfield. Now, after five years I am ready for the next challenge in my life that I look optimistically towards. Without a shadow of a doubt my years at Millfield have been the best of my life!

In my final year at Millfield I was appointed as Head Boy and it has been fantastic. I've been honoured to receive important responsibilities that have helped me grow my confidence and my maturity. Next year I go to college and embark on the next stages of my life thankful for everything Millfield has done for me.

## Hello from new Head Girl & Boy



Hi my name is Harriet Piper and I am the Head Girl of Millfield School 2020/21. I am 15 years old and I am a very active person. I enjoy taking part in performing arts and musical theatre inside and outside of school, I perform 3 shows per year and it's what I love to do with my free time. I enjoy playing sports in school and am part of various different teams. I am

taking my GCSES (hopefully) next year, the subjects I will be taking: Maths, English, Science, Religious Education, Sport, Geography and Drama.

I hope to make a positive impact, helping the school to be exceptional and make the pupils feel comfortable when they return back to school in September and also assist the new year 7s adapt to high school life. I am delighted to be Head Girl of Millfield this year and I can't wait to see what the year holds.





Hello, my name is Luke Park and I would like to proudly introduce myself as the Head Boy of Millfield for winter 2020 and summer 2021. As Head Boy, I would like to say that should any students face difficulty in anything within the school then I am here to help all of you within Team Millfield. It is my duty as Head Boy to make sure all students have a good time within the school, no matter the problem or difficulty. I would like to welcome all Year 7 students joining Team Millfield this year and I would also like to welcome back all returning students. I wish you all a great year at Team Millfield and I promise to do my best to make our school a place that truly does create bright futures.



# Senior Students 2020-2021



Head Girl  
Harriet Piper



Head Boy  
Luke Park



Deputy Head Girl  
Georgia Hutchinson



Deputy Head Girl  
Tegan Blakeley



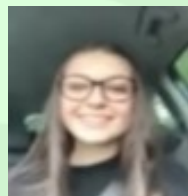
Deputy Head Boy  
Kyle Sanderson



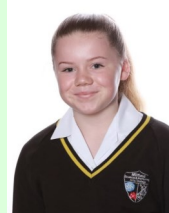
Deputy Head Boy  
Jacob Clegg



Senior Prefect  
Sophie Tyler



Senior Prefect  
Jessica Wilson



Senior Prefect  
Gracie Wells



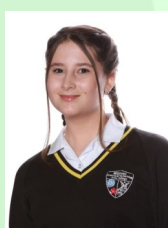
Senior Prefect  
Katie Acton



Senior Prefect  
Madison Cross



Senior Prefect  
Jennifer Firth




Senior Prefect  
Phoebe\_Clemas



Senior Prefect  
Richie Porter



Senior Prefect  
Joshua Lane



# Star Students

**For exceptional work with their remote learning.**

## Key Stage 3

### ENGLISH

- \* Elisha Stead
- \* Phoebe Ritchie
- \* Emma Fairfield
- \* Caitlin Hornsby

### MATHS

- \* Ethan Woodcock
- \* Zac Haddon
- \* Olivia Cope
- \* Taylor McCarron

### SCIENCE

- \* Richard Reygan
- \* Caitlin Hornsby

### MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGE -MFL

- \* Sophie Eden
- \* Phoebe Ritchie

### FOOD TECHNOLOGY

- \* Alyssa Hellawell

### TECHNOLOGY

- \* Molly West
- \* Ethan Frohlick
- \* Tom Langford
- \* Caitlin Hornsby

### ART

- \* Andrew Lattimer Dell
- \* James Dowie
- \* Holly Walwyn
- \* Kayleigh Porter

### MUSIC

- \* Caitlin Hornsby
- \* Sophie Eden

### DANCE

- \* Sophie Eden
- \* Stephanie Shaw

### DRAMA

- \* Amber Davis
- \* Grace Cudlip
- \* Caitlin Hornsby
- \* Maddie Gilby

### HISTORY

- \* Shoan Tanaka -Iglesias
- \* Adam Sillet
- \* Isabelle Kay
- \* Ethan Frohlick

### GEOGRAPHY

- \* Shoan Tanaka -Iglesias
- \* Amber Davis

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -RE

- \* Ayla Gokben
- \* Evie Jones


### PHYSICAL EDUCATION - PE

- \* Sophie Eden
- \* Lewis Kershaw
- \* Elle Armstrong
- \* Adam Snelson

### PERSONAL SOCIAL HEALTH EDUCATION -PSHE

- \* Rebecca Blackburn
- \* James Reeve
- \* Isabelle Kay
- \* Sammi Cheng





# Star Students

**For exceptional work with their remote learning.**

## Key Stage 4

### ENGLISH

- \* Hannah Mullin
- \* Gabriel Lukose
- \* Madeleine Francis
- \* Rafael Jackson

### MATHS

- \* Lily Leeming
- \* Kacie Watkins
- \* Jessica Broadbent
- \* Eleanor Brooks-Brennan

### SCIENCE

- \* Tegan Blakely
- \* Billy Wade

### MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGE -MFL

- \* Isobel Farey
- \* Joseph Thistleton
- \* Niamh Ritchie

### FOOD TECHNOLOGY

- \* Katelyn Laird

### TECHNOLOGY

- \* Isabella Hill
- \* Lucy Walwyn
- \* Joseph Thistleton
- \* Liam Howarth Maney

### ART

- \* Emily Richards
- \* Niamh Ritchie
- \* Tegan Blakeley
- \* Bradley Howarth - Maney

### MUSIC

- \* Katelyn Laird
- \* Meghan Pyke

### DANCE

- \* Tegan Blakeley
- \* Emily Roberts

### DRAMA

- \* Jessica Broadbent
- \* Hannah Boden

### HISTORY

- \* Isobel Farey
- \* Millie Cardwell
- \* Luke Jones
- \* Meghan Pyke

### GEOGRAPHY

- \* Emily Richards
- \* Eleanor Brooks - Brennan

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -RE

- \* Jessica Hatton Bailey
- \* Lily Quanbrough

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION - PE

- \* Madeleine Francis
- \* Georgia Astil
- \* Billy Wade
- \* Oliver Alderson

### MEDIA STUDIES

- \* Kyan Sinclair

### FILM STUDIES

- \* Lauren Norcliffe

### HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

- \* Freya Miller
- \* Sienna Baggley

### SOCIOLOGY

- \* Niamh Ritchie
- \* Kate Rawcliffe

# ★ Rewards ★

Although it is a shame that we lost a third of the year, there were still literally HUNDREDS of rewards given out this year to our exceptional students!

Usually in our last assembly before we break up for the holidays, the House that has achieved the most housepoints is announced to a huge roar in the assembly hall. Last year it was Bronte's Bears and this year, although we won't have the same cheer, I am pleased to announce that the Bears have won for a second year!

Winners!



Congratulations to Miss Cullen and all the staff and students in Bronte's Bears!

Obviously there were lots of students who contributed to their House successes but certain students went a long way to ensuring their House had a good chance of winning the main competition and so I want to give them a special mention as they were the top housepoint earners in their year group ....WELL DONE!

Year 7: Isabel Daniells  
Year 8: Phoebe Ritchie  
Year 9: Isobel Farey  
Year 10: Michael Maguire  
Year 11: Louise Jones

Next year I look forward to the introduction of our new INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS, the first of which will be in September when students can win up to 500 housepoints for their House in a "The Cube" style competition. More info on that next year!

In addition to the House competition we've had plenty of other efforts that have been recognised. We had several forms win a Domino's Pizza lunch from the inter-form housepoint competition—that was a very popular prize! We had over 100 bags of sweets go out to students for the weekly top housepoint earners from each year group. The Year 11s, although it was sadly not the event we had planned for, had earned lots of money off their Prom tickets by earning a pound for every subject they were on target in and we also had 131 students nominated for hot chocolate with the Head for exceptional work in various subject areas.

I'm really looking forward to everyone being back in school and can't wait to get the competitions and rewards started all over again. Until then, have a restful summer as I am certain we all deserve one!

Mr Deaville- Assistant Headteacher

## HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEADTEACHER

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A huge hello to all my fabulous Sharks and Sharks to be! Well this has been an unusual year hasn't it? First of all I want to mention how this year has been a lesson for us all to not take anything for granted and appreciate every single day. It has shown us how resilient we can be and that we

can adapt to any situation. I'm so proud of all of you for taking everything in your stride and being the best **you** can be.

Sharks managed to collectively receive 4484 house points this year, which is absolutely fantastic and I know this only shows a fraction of how hard you all work. I'm so proud of you all and I can't wait to see how much we can beat this by this time next year! I know things may be different when we return but I know we will all be there to support each other.

Recently, the Senior Student team was appointed and the new Head boy is one of our own; well done to Luke Park! What an absolutely amazing achievement this is! This young man has shown what can happen be achieved by consistently displaying the Millfield Way, showing resilience, hard work and determination. Sophie Tyler is also on the prefect team; well done to Sophie! These students have gone above and beyond what's expected of them and are who you all should aspire to be. Let's make sure you be the change you wish to see in the world.

A very big, warm welcome to our new Sharks joining us in Year 7; I can't wait to meet you all in person! I know that you will all be feeling nervous and excited but I promise we will welcome you into our Millfield family and I know you will make an exceptional start to your high school journeys! You will love being part of the Sharks!

Usually at the end of each term we have our celebration assembly, which you all know I



absolutely love; celebrating our successes! However, under the circumstances this obviously can't happen, so I've picked out my absolute star students in terms of top house points for each year group who are:

- Year 7 – Summer O'Brien
- Year 8 – Ethan Frohlick
- Year 9 – Henrietta Bruce
- Year 10 – Michael Young
- Year 11 – Jayden Howell

A huge well done to you all! You should be very proud of yourselves!

I can't wait to see all of my Sharks again. Let's make sure we start the year as we mean to go on; this is a new beginning for us all and I can't wait to see our dreams and aspirations become a reality very soon.... Don't dream it...be it!

Take care everyone and stay safe!



Mrs Doran  
Head of Shakespeare Sharks



To all my Rhino students past, present and future, what a strange year it has been. My first year and what a rollercoaster journey I have taken. I have loved every minute of my Millfield journey so far and I am heartbroken that the academic year in school ended so suddenly without much time to prepare. As your Head of House, I am so proud of you all in lots of different ways. You have adapted so quickly to

change, learnt so many new skills and continued to work so hard at such a difficult time. Although I have only been part of team Millfield from such a short space of time, I am so grateful and proud to be part of this amazing school and community. My expectation was for all my Rhino students to achieve at their highest level and believe and achieve that anything is possible. I will continue to encourage you all in every aspect of school life and look forward to seeing you all very soon.

### Year 7 students

To all my Year 7 students, I just want you all to know that you have all made me proud to be your House Manager and it has been a pleasure to watch your confidence grow in such a short space of time. Continue to work hard and I can't wait to see you all after summer.

### Year 11 students

No words can describe how brave you all were the last day of term. It makes me emotional thinking back to the last day and how incredibly proud you all were to be at this school. To see your emotion and gratitude towards staff and students it just shows how amazing your journey here

has been. You all stayed so positive at such a difficult time and this is testament to the school and our community. You certainly turned a bad situation into a positive and I will never forget your bravery. I wish you all the very best for the future and continue to use the Rhino Moto "Believe & Achieve." I have no doubt that you will achieve amazing things.

### Future Rhinos

Due to the current situation the transition process has not run as we would have liked it to. However, I want you all to know that you will be in safe hands on this important journey you are about to embark on. You are going to make new friends, meet new people and develop new opportunities with confidence. I can't wait to meet you all in person and guide and support you on the exciting new journey as part of Team Millfield.

Usually at the end of the year we would have a celebration assembly.

Here are my Star Rhino students in terms of the **Rhino Motto of Believe & Achieve.**

Star students:

- Year 7 Olivia Clueit
- Year 8 Daisy Briggs
- Year 9 Henry Neil
- Year 10 Oliver Alderson
- Year 11 Jade Hopkins

I hope you all have a lovely summer, continue to stay safe and I look forward to seeing you all very soon.



Mrs Clare  
Head of Rowling's Rhinos



These months will have been the strangest times of your life and time at Millfield so far. But we have all got through them together. In September, we will all continue to stay strong as a school as you continue your Millfield journey.

We will also welcome a brand new group of new Year 7 students. All staff and current students will always be available to help you settle in and calm any worries you will have from day one. Millfield will be a fresh start for all of you to mature, develop and establish a great education for yourselves.

Existing students are well aware of our high expectations for them to both achieve and

behave. A special mention for Hawks top house points earners for Spring 2020:

- Imogen Borrowdale
- Oliver Barber
- Finlay Jennings
- Amber Davis
- Jessica Lee
- Connor Nicholson-Roberts
- Jennifer Firth
- Joseph Thistleton
- Elouise Martin-Richards
- Jesse Lukose.

When your learning journey re-starts in September, we will expect all of you to engage fully in lessons from day one. With effort comes reward. That applies in every walk of life. I am proud to help and support all of you as Hawks.



Mr Edet  
Head of Hawking's Hawks



To all of my current and future Bears, I'd like to firstly welcome our new Bears into our family. We can't wait to see you in school and show you how fantastic both Millfield and being a part of Bears are. I know you will love it here.

What an amazing and successful year the Bears have had! Huge congratulations to our Year 10s who have made the Senior Student Team. Out of 15 members, 7 are Bears; 3 of them being Deputy Head Boys and Girl. They should be an inspiration to you all and proof of what you can achieve through hard work. I can't wait to see them all representing Millfield and Bears next year.

I am so pleased to tell you that Bears are the winners of the highest House Points this year, with an incredible 5745 house points! That is down to each and every one of you trying your hardest at all times, and is after a short year too; imagine what we can achieve next year when we will be in for a whole school year! I am incredibly proud of you all. You have worked hard and it really has paid off. All of you have individually contributed to the success of Bears and I couldn't be happier with the efforts I know you have made.

This year in particular, we have shown resilience, strength and the ability to adapt. Things may be different when we return to school, but I know that you

all will cope with this and that we will all be there to support each other. I am confident that we will start next term stronger than we were before.

My 'Top Bears' this year with the highest number of house points in their form are:

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| Year 7  | Lewis Kershaw (B1)<br>Maddison Ashton (B2)       |
| Year 8  | Oliver Stott (B3)<br>Grace Cudlip (B4)           |
| Year 9  | Grace Kline (B5)<br>Tillie-An Davenport (B6)     |
| Year 10 | Kyan Sinclair (B7)<br>Luke Lee (B8)              |
| Year 11 | Louise Taylor (B9)<br>Eva Gibson Swarbrick (B10) |



I really can't wait to see you all again and to welcome our new Bears into the family. Keep believing in yourselves, because you really all are fabulous! Let's continue to push ourselves to be THE best House in Millfield.

Well done to you all!  
Miss Cullen  
Head of Bronte's Bears

### **Presentation Evening 2020: Recognising the Achievements of our Students**

Unfortunately, this year we were unable to hold our annual presentation evening. However, all students in Years 7 to 10 still received notification of their awards, along with the programme.



When we return, we will hopefully be able to hold a presentation assembly during the autumn term to celebrate their exceptional achievements and present them with their prizes.

The school would like to thank our many sponsors for their continued contributions, which our students are always so grateful to receive.



# Key Stage 3



As a school we were delighted to introduce the very first 'Key Stage 3 Graduation Programme'. The aim of this programme was to give Key Stage 3 its own identity and to encourage our students to become exceptional by the end of Year 8 at Team Millfield. Although this programme was cut short, we were given the opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge students'

achievements over the past 6 months. This was not only an opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge achievements so far, but also to mark the next step in our students' education. The next two years will require a shift in emphasis and maturity in both their studies and in their ways of learning and the graduation was as much to prepare them mentally for this as it was to celebrate.



Although we haven't had our planned graduation ceremony we plan to organise a ceremony in December.

Mr Byrne  
Head of Key Stage 3/Transition

## Man United V AZ Alkmaar

Mr Byrne ran a trip in December for students to go and watch Man United v Az Alkmaar in the group stages of the Europa League. This trip was attended by over 60 students who got to witness Man United score 4 goals against the Dutch opposition.



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## Fairtrade Competition Finalist

Millfield's entry to the Fairtrade Lancashire Schools' Competition: Design a card to celebrate the 25 Years of the Fairtrade mark.

Our entry was created by  
**Emily Hume 7Z.**



Unfortunately Emily's card didn't win but her amazing entry, showing hard work and creativity, was recognised. Emily received a certificate as a KS3 finalist. Well done Emily! Here at Millfield we recognise Emily's exceptional success and have passed her certificate to her on behalf of Fairtrade Lancashire, who also pass it on with their congratulations. Fairtrade Lancashire additionally wishes all Millfield staff and pupils a stress free and safe return to school.

## Millfield Girls Inspired at Maritime

### Roadshow



As part of the Key Stage 3 Graduation Programme, girls in Year 8 attended the Fleetwood Nautical College for an interactive day of science, technology, engineering and maths in a maritime context. This trip definitely inspired our young women in our school to pursue STEM-related careers in the maritime sector.

## Work Experience

Congratulations to all our Year 10 students for the successful completion of their 2 weeks work experience in February. We have had some fantastic feedback from local businesses.

### Work Experience Star Students

Kyle Sanderson -YMCA – Poulton  
Luke Park - Blackpool Victoria Hospital/Millfield Science Department  
Lauren Norcliffe - Marks & Spencers  
Reyaka Paterson - Perfect Image  
Luke Lee - Lee & Co Solicitors  
Harriet Piper - Anchorsholme Primary School  
Jamie Rigby - Illuminations Lightworks - Blackpool Council  
Kaya Barton-Rossall - Maximeyez Optical  
Kyan Sinclair - Morvern Care Centre  
Harry Morris - Affordable Windows  
Matthew Pumphrey—Blackpool & Fylde College/Army Residential  
Ashleigh Cowburn—Warren Manor Day Centre



## Careers and Work-Related Learning.

Although this has been one of the most disjointed years due to Covid-19, almost every student in every year group at Millfield had a personal and meaningful interaction with a variety of employers and post 16 training providers. There have been countless presentations to all students during house and year group assemblies, notably from: Education Business Partnership; the NHS; Theresa Saxon from UCLAN; United Utilities; the National Citizenship Service; Lancaster University and Edge Hill University, to name but a few.

Of the many hands-on and practical experiences, amongst the most memorable was back in October when every Year 9 student joined with the army in a 3D practical problem solving event in the sports hall. This involved a range of tasks which relied on excellent communication skills, team work and resilience. True to form, our students did not let us down and showed great determination in completing all the set tasks.

Year 8 students were in for a rare treat in October when they all took part in a 'Mini Speed Networking' event with employers from some very different disciplines including the building and construction industry, manufacturing and a national government department. The students taking part in this event asked some very searching and imaginative questions and they were not disappointed by the responses from these organisations.

In November, a number of Year 10 students went to Manchester to the UCAS 'Create Your Future' exhibition where they had a unique face-to-face experience with literally hundreds of creative courses, traineeships and careers in design, music and performing arts, etc.

Amongst our usual collection of Careers and Work-Related Learning experiences was the eye-opening attraction of our highly recommended Careers Convention in January. This well-attended annual event offered the opportunity for all students and parents/carers to engage with employers, training providers, Universities and supporting organisations. Amongst the other visits and experiences were trips to Myerscough College, to see all of their amazing facilities and courses, the BAE Systems apprenticeship show at Mill Farm where students had personalised presentations about engineering, accounting, project management and design; Morrisons, Lancashire Fire and Rescue, Victrex and Barclay's Bank through their Life Skills Transformation Trust were amongst a host of other organisations who kindly gave their time to help all our students to experience an exciting vision of just how bright their futures might be.



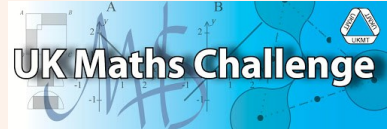


## UK Math Challenge

Well done to all our Year 9, 10 and 11 students who took part in the Intermediate UK Maths Challenge in February. The challenge encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematic techniques to solve interesting problems.

We would like to congratulate the following students who are receiving a bronze award:

- \* Isabella Hill
- \* Liam Howarth Maney
- \* Tomas Turner



We would also like to say a huge well done, for receiving a silver award to:

- \* Jake Hawes
- \* Louis Pritchard-Pope

These awards are a huge achievement as only 40% of the students who take part are issued an award.

## A Visit for our Year 10s

This is the Manchester Actors Company who visited our Year 10 students to perform the power and conflict poems from their GCSE English anthology.



## United Utilities Educate Year 7



Year 7 had a visit from an acting company called Gibber in January who delivered a sketch on behalf of United Utilities about the dangers of flushing the wrong items down the toilet, namely wet wipes. They were challenged to create a vlog to teach other students about how this is ruining the environment and how it can cost a lot of money to fix. Two of our Year 7 students, Hannah and Isabel, have been short listed in the competition. This has been postponed until September but everyone will be able to watch the video on Youtube and vote soon. Last year we came in second place in the competition, so this year we are determined to take first prize!

## Masterclasses



Year 7 and 8 students have taken part in Masterclasses throughout the year. They have proved to be very popular and we have seen fantastic feedback from the students and parents/carers. Staff have

absolutely loved sharing their skills and talents, sometimes outside of their normal subject area and look forward to doing this again in the future. We had sessions ranging from Rubik's cube algorithms to sign language spelling. The most committed students were rewarded with a French cooking competition - well done to Emily H for winning this!



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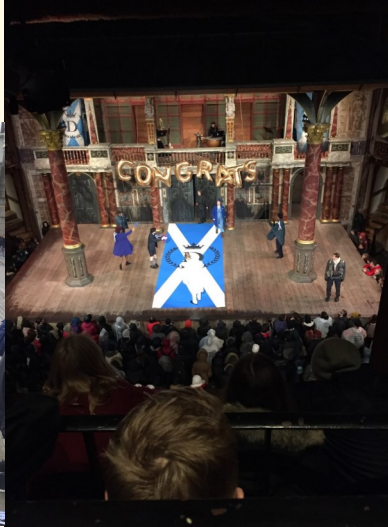
During February some of our Year 10 and 11 students visited New York for four days. They had an amazing time sight seeing, including from the top of the Empire State Building. They visited the Statue of Liberty and were given a guided tour of the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. They also got to watch 'Wicked' on Broadway and had fun ice skating in Central Park. Both staff and students made memories to last a life time!





## History Adventures

The History Department ran a trip to London in March for GCSE historians to develop their understanding of Elizabethan England. Pupils attended a workshop on Shakespeare, a performance of Macbeth by Deutsche Bank at the Globe Theatre, a visit to the Clink Museum (pupils enjoyed the Tudor cells for photo opportunities) and a chance to explore the Tower of London. We had a great time exploring Borough Market and indulging in all the delicious food choices. All pupils were an absolute credit to the school.



## Geography Trip



These are the photos from the geography fieldtrip to Loughrigg Terrace and Grasmere in the Lake District. The physical fieldwork at Loughrigg Terrace, measuring the Footpaths, is connected to Glacial Landscapes and the Management Strategies element of the course. The human fieldwork in Grasmere is connected with the Changing UK Economy and how changes affect the social and economic growth of a rural landscape.



## Year 7 Camp



## Army Careers



## Great Yorkshire Show





## A Visit to the Battlefields



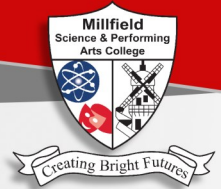
## Careers—Year 8 Speed Networking



## World Book Day







## Senior Leadership Team



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