



Friday 4th September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic start to the new academic year! It has been wonderful to see our children return to school with such enthusiasm, smiles and excitement for learning. Classrooms have been buzzing with activity as pupils settle into their new routines, meet their teachers and catch up with their friends.

We would like to extend a special welcome to all our new pupils and families who have joined our school community this year.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coxhead

New School Website

We are delighted to announce that our new and improved school website is now live! With a fresh look and improved layout, it's easier than ever to find key information and keep up to date with the school news. We hope you enjoy having a browse.



www.milldene.essex.sch.uk



School Improvements over the Summer Holidays

During the summer holidays, we made several improvements across the school, including enhancements to the Early Years playground, the installation of a new water fountain, and a fresh coat of paint in the school hall. These upgrades have helped create an even brighter, safer and more enjoyable environment for our pupils.



Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to all our pupils and families. It has been wonderful to see the children return with smiling faces and eager to share their summer holiday stories!

Class	Teacher
Reception	Miss Amy Stubbs
Year 1	Miss Jasmine Boorman
Year 2	Miss Emily Lane
Year 3	Mrs Eda Karaca 4 days a week Mrs Tracey Larman 1 day a week
Year 4	Miss Madison McDonald
Year 5	Miss Laura Eglington
Year 6	Mrs Joanne Watson

Snacks

We would like to remind parents about the snacks that are suitable for children to bring into school.

We encourage healthy choices such as fresh fruit, vegetable sticks, plain crackers, breadsticks, and rice cakes.

Please do not send children to school with cakes, chocolate, sweets, crisps, or other high-sugar snacks.

Thank you to all the parents who already support our healthy eating policy by providing nutritious snacks for their children. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps us promote healthy habits across the school.



Upcoming Diary Dates

Date	Event
30.09.26 – 02.10.26	Year 6 Residential – PGL Bawdsey Manor
08.10.26	Individual School Photos
12.10.26	Flu Vaccinations
20.10.26	Coffee Morning – Autism Outreach



SEND News

First Family Information & Support Session in School!

We warmly invite our parents and carers to join us for our first Coffee Morning that is taking place on Tuesday 20th October from 9:00-10:00am. This session will be led by Autism Outreach. An Autism Outreach coffee morning is a friendly, informal drop-in event for parents, carers and family members of autistic individuals. These gatherings offer a safe space to share experiences, meet local support staff, and get practical advice or signposting on diagnosis, education, and daily care.



Good Beginnings Course

A face to face course for parents and carers of children aged 5 or under, who are autistic or have social communication needs.

<https://send.essex.gov.uk/search-support-groups-and-activities/good-beginnings-course>



Masking Awareness



Free online talk for parents
24 September 7pm - 8pm

Book online
facefamilyadvice.co.uk
Parent - Live Talks page



[Book Free Talk Now](#)

 September Timetable All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long £24 each or FREE with School Membership Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours	
Facing Defiance	1 Sep 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	1 Sep 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	7 Sep 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	7 Sep 7pm
Introduction to OCD	8 Sep 10am
Decreasing Depression	8 Sep 7pm
What is ACT?	14 Sep 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Sep 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	15 Sep 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 Sep 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Sep 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	22 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	22 Sep 7pm
FREE - Masking Awareness	24 Sep 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	28 Sep 10am
School Anxiety	28 Sep 7pm

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