# **Millom School**

#### In the News

#### Autumn Term 2023



# A message from the Chair of Governors, Elsa Mason

Well, there's certainly been lot's going on this term! Those of you who have been following the Facebook page will, I'm sure, have seen the breadth and quality of the achievements at Millom School, sporting successes, music and drama achievements and performances, engagements in the local community to name but a few.

Do please take some time to read through the newsletter as we celebrate all that our students and doing, being and achieving. They are students to be proud of and so very well supported by our dedicated staff. Thank you to all who have played their part in these successes.

Wishing you a peaceful and joy-filled Christmas.

Mrs E Mason

Millom School Governor



Millom School
Christmas Card
Design.

By Martha in Year 9.

Well Done.

Other entries can be found in the Millom School Newsletter.

### A message from Mr Savidge, Headteacher

As you read through this newsletter you will see that there is much for our students to be proud of from this term. We started the term celebrating the results of our Year 11 and 13 students. Students went onto all sorts of destinations, including our Sixth Form, and this is a real strength of the school as we pride ourselves on the number of students who go on to be successful in further education and in apprenticeships. We also had a number of students go onto a range of universities including one student going onto study History at the University of Oxford. I would like to thank the staff for their unwavering hard work and to parents for supporting your children through the examination season.

You will see from reading the newsletter that the range of activities that students have been involved in have increased significantly this term. This includes the development of our enrichment programme which has broadened out considerably this year with the support of staff and members of the community. I would like to thank those who have come in and worked with our students this year. These activities are so important in helping students to develop skills through these experiences.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

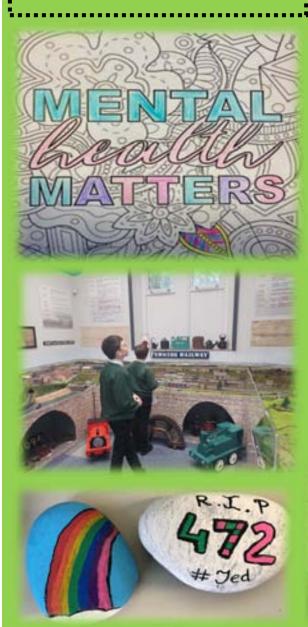
Mr M Savidge, Headteacher

# Enrichment Wednesday's

On Wednesday afternoon's all students throughout the school take part in Enrichment Activities.

Enrichment allows our students to develop interests and talents in a range of areas, enhances personal skills and qualities desirable to future employers and further education, prepares students for future success, equips students to be responsible, respectful and be active citizen's and contributes towards the enjoyment of school life.

#enritchement #takepart #betterlearner #takeresponsibility #learnto read #readtolearn











#### **Cumbria Cricket**

At the end of July Josh and Zac (dressed in white) met Liam Trevaskis from Durham Cricket during the EPP game.

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#takepart #betterlearner #cricket



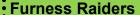
#### Cumbria Cricket

August saw the U16 Cumbria boys a victory against Lancashire in their penultimate league match.

Special mention to Callum H for a great performance.

Also a big well done to Sam, Zac and Oliver who played in the U14s tour of Barnard Castle.

#takepart #betterlearner #cricket



Congratulation to Owen, Trent and Rio (past students who left in Summer 2023) who were announced or the Furness Raiders 2023/2024 squad in August 2023.

#takepart #betterlearner #furnessraiders

#### **BMX World Championships in Glasgow**

■ Another huge congratulation to our very own Emie who took part in the BMX World Cham-■ pionships in Glasgow in August.

Despite an injury earlier in the year Emie raced super hard as always and collected a very well deserved W4 plate.

#takepart #betterlearner #bmx

#### A-Level Results Day

Congratulations to our student who collected their A-Level Results in August.

#takepart #betterlearner #alevelresults







#### GCSE Results Day

Congratulations to our student who collected their GCSE Results in August.

#takepart #betterlearner #gcseresults



"Opportunities don't just happen, you create them." - Chris Grosser



### Cross Country

The first week of cross country for all year groups happened at the beginning of September.

We were lucky enough to avoid the rain in the first week. Year 11 had a great day weather wise for their penultimate run.

The second week of cross county, all year groups again took part in their Games lesson.

#takepart #crosscountry #pe #TakeResponsibility



Please visit the Millom School website for current staff vacancies



#### Year 10 Catering

'Egg Plating—Year 10 Decorative Challenge and Skill of making Scrambled Egg'

#takepart #betterlearner #TakeResponsibility #catering #scrambledegg





#### **Girls Football**

Well Done to the U16 girls who travelled to Furness Academy mid-September to play football. V Dowsdales—Won 4-1. V Furness Academy—Won 3-1. V St Bernard's—Won 2-1. V Chetwynde—Drew 0-0.

#takepart #betterlearner #takeresponsibility #girlsfootball



#### Year 5 & 6 Open Evening

On 26 September we held our annual Year 5 & 6 Open Evening at Millom School.

We hope everyone who came to visit had a lovely time. It was lovely to meet you all.

A big thank you to the staff involved and students who helped out.

#takepart #betterlearner #readmore #year 5and6 #openevening

"There is no top.
There are always further heights to reach."





## Jascha Heifetz

Please
update any
contact
details with
the School
Office —
01229
772300



#### Oreo Plate Tectonics

Mrs Johnston's Year 9 Geography class learnt about plate tectonics by using Oreo's.

#takepart #betterlearner #readmore #takeresponsibility #learntoread #readtolearn

Look out for our hashtags on Facebook and Twitter;

#takepart #readmore #betterlearner #learntoread #readtolearn

#takeresponsibility

#### Map Skills Lesson

Year 7's learned some map skills during their first term. They calculated their height at different scales as part of their map skills lesson.

#takepart #betterlearner #TakeResponbibility #geography





#### Year 11 Science

Mrs Vance's Year 11 Science class have been making genetically modified plasmids using strawberry laces and cola laces to represent DNA!

An example of this is how bacteria can be engineered to produce human insulin to treat diabetes.

Genetic engineering has never been so tasty!

#takepart #betterlearner #science

#### **REACT Foundation**

The Ugly Animal Society came to visit in September on behalf of The REACT Foundation. The group presented a workshop to local Year 5&6 students.

#takpart #betterlearner #reactfoundation

Success is
a journey
not a
destination





"There is no substitute for hard work."
- Thomas Edison

#### Millom Junior Striders Group

A message from Millom Junior Striders in Cumbria Athletics League meets 2023:

There has been a good season for Millom Junior Striders ranging from U11s/U13s/ U15s IN THE Cumbria Athletic League this year.

They were are great group of kids who supported and held each other and work well together as a team. Some individuals were rewarded for some fine culminative performances over 4 meets in the athletics season:

Calvin S—Bronze medal for100m/1500m, Silver for Long Jump andJavelin.

Lucas A-S—Gold medal for High Jump,silver for Log Jump.

Hannah T—Silver medal for High Jump and Shot Putt.

Katrina L—Bronze medal for Long Jump.

Well done to all the competitors in Millom
Junior Striders. We are always looking for new participants, all ages welcome.

#takepart #betterlearner #runningcommunity

#### **World Mental Health Day 2023**

7C were busy with their tutor on 10
October making a 'Mental Health
Awareness' display for their form room to
celebrate and recognise World Mental
Health Day 2023.

Great work Mrs Coates and 7C what a great idea!

#takepart #betterlearner #mentalhealthawareness #wordmentalhealthday2023 #takeresponsibility











#### **Dungeons and Dragons**

Mr Higgins is delighted that the Dungeons and Dragons Club is off the ground, as an extension of the Tabletop Gaming Enrichment activity.

Meeting on Tuesday afternoons after school to create characters, roll dice, wage campaigns and cast spells!

All are welcome and can engage at various different levels.

Mr Higgins would like to take the opportunity to again thank those parents who have made voluntary contributions to the Tabletop Gaming Enrichment activity, as it allows us to buy more of the resources you can see in the pictures—Thanks.

Mr Higgins (Level 1 Wizard).

The New Dungeons & Dragons film is a good introduction to the world and its characters, should you be stuck for a movie over the holidays.

#takepart #betterlearner
#afterschoolclub #enrichement





The best way to predict your future is to create

it.

PE Kit Lost Property—If you think you may have lost some PE Kit, please visit the AWP desk.

#### **Girls Football**

10 October saw the Year 7 and 8 girls football team face Whitehaven Academy in the County Cup.

Unfortunately both teams lost, but, there were
 some excellent performances and some great
 teamwork.

#girlsfootball #takeresponsibility



Please remember to label your child's school jumper(s) with their name.

We have an increasing amount of jumpers making their way to lost property without names labelled inside.

#### **U16 County Cup Netball**

In October the U16 team travelled to Furness Academy to play in the County Cup; facing teams from UVHS, Dowdales Chetwynde and Furness Academy.

It was a fantastic tournament and the girls played some amazing netball. Unfortunately, we didn't qualify for the next rounds but the team should be proud of the effort they put into each game.

#netball #TakeResponsibiliy #thisgirlcan

#### 70

On Friday 13 October, 70 had already reached over 100 positive points in the first 5 weeks!

Well done 70.

#TakeResponsibility #betterlearner



#### Medical Enrichment Club

Students in Medical Club have been learning how to suture.

They mastered the basic instrument tie and attempted the figure of 8 suture, which is used for deep wounds, for example, after a caesarean section.

Well done to everyone involved in the club.

#takepart #readmore #betterlearner
#TakeResponsibility



#### **Finnley**

Congratulations to Finnley in Year 8 for his multiple awards for an outstanding season at Haverigg Cricket Club.

Finnley also got confirmation of another season representing Cumbria.

A fantastic achievement, well done Finnley.

#takepart #countycricket



#### **Grade 3 Drum Exam**

Well done to Ethan who has passed his Grade 3 Drum Exam with a high merit.

#takepart #betterlearner
#takeresponsibility
#musicexams #music
#drums

#### BAE Enrichment Session

The Year 7 students had a
brilliant afternoon of
Enrichment during October
with BAE.

BAE came into school to work with students, focusing on team building and employability skills. The afternoon involved a range of activities that students needed to complete in mixed tutor teams.

A special mention to Danny
 P and Nevaeh M who
 spoke in from of their year
 group and all the staff at the end of the workshop.

A big thank you to BAE.

#enrichment #transition #teambuilding







#### **Football Festival**

On Monday 16 October the Year 7's travelled to the Football Festival.

After losing their first game to Walney School, the students went on to convincingly beat St Bernard's School, draw with Dowdales School and narrowly lose to a last minute goal by Furness Academy.

Fantastic effort from all the students.

#takepart #girlsfootball #betterlearner #thisgirlcan



IF YOU THINK YOU MAY HAVE LOST AN ITEM OF UNIFORM, PENCIL CASE, WATER BOTTLE ETC. PLEASE ASK YOUR CHILD TO VISIT STUDENT RECEPTION.

(Mrs Moore's Classroom).

THANK YOU!

#### Rugby League Enrichment

The boys have thoroughly enjoyed their Wednesday afternoons with Ellis from Barrow Raiders. They covered all aspects of the game and had been exemplary throughout.

#takepart #betterlearner #rugby





#### England Lionesses

Well Done to Martha and her team mates on their success in October.

Martha scored 4 goals for the England Lionesses in their game against Ireland.

**England 6** 

Ireland 0

#takepart #Lionesses #girlsfootball

Please can we remind students to bring a water bottle to school daily, especially if you have PE on that day. There are water filters around school site for refilling bottles.

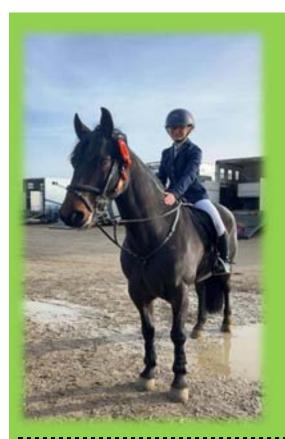




## **Tabletop Gaming Enrichment**

These brave young men were the first to attempt to build the Warhammer: Cursed City character set.

#takepart #betterlearner #enrichment #warhammer



#### **British Showjumping Championships**

Well Done and congratulations to Jodie in Year 8 who competed at The British Showjumping Championships in October.

Jodie competed over 4 days, in very competitive classes, with lots of other junior riders from all over the country.

Jodie was placed in the top 10 in most classes winning an 8th, 6th, 3rd and even a 1st!

#takepart #showjumping

"There is no end to education. It is not that you read a book, pass an examination, and finish with education. The whole of life, from he moment you are born to the moment you die, is a process of learning." 
Jiddu Krishnamurti

#### Halloween Showjumping Championships

Estelle in Year 7 has competed in the Spooktacular Showjumping Championships in the October half-term.

Estelle competed there for 4 days and achieved double clears and a 4th out of 223 competitors.

Estelle is hoping to be picked for the England Team again this year. Unfortunately she missed out previously because her pony was injured.

Well done Estelle.

#takepart #betterlearner #TakeResponsibility





#### Daisy First Aid

A big thank you to Julie from Daisy First Aid for coming in to do a few sessions with Mrs Burgess's enrichment group.

#takepart #betterlearner #takeresponsibility #FirstAidTraining



Photo taken by Mrs
Johnston—Enrichment.

Calling all Eco-Friendly Students!

**Millom School Eco Club** 

Thursday's

3pm-4pm

**L12** 

If you are interested in helping the school become more environmentally friendly, or if you're interested in looking after the planet, Eco Club is for you!



"DON'T UNDERESTIMATE YOURSELF. YOU ARE MORE CAPABLE THAN YOU THINK." - MISTY COPELAND

#### **Copeland School Games**

Well done to our Sports Leaders who refereed the Copeland School Games dodgeball event for the local primary schools on 1 November 2023 at Millom Recreation Centre.

The Sports Leaders also helped and supported the children in playing the game. What a lovely event to be part of.

#takepart #betterlearner #dodgeball

# Year 9—UK Parliament Workshops

In October some Year 9 students attended a workshop with Rachael from UK Parliament.

They learned about the structure of our parliament and government, how an election works, our local constituency and even took part in their own election.

Students worked together as a 'party' to campaign on issues they felt important to them and win the vote within the constituency.

Thank you to Rachael, it was a brilliant morning!

#Citizenship #betterlearner #UKParliament

#### Remembrance Window

Some of the Year 7 students, as part of their enrichment lessons have been working on the reception window for Remembrance Day.

A big thank you to all the students and staff involved in the varying poppy contributions to the display.

#takepart #betterlearner
#TakeResponsibility
#rememberance
#rememberanceday



"BE YOURSELF, EVERYONE ELSE IS ALREADY TAKEN." -OSCAR WILDE

Mexican Themed Bags— Made by Mrs Coates's Year 9 students.

# L.I.F.T—Local Industry Funding Technology

A big thank you to Sellafield and L.I.F.T for the kind donations of equipment for our Technology Department.



"Everything you can imagine is real." Pablo Picasso



Garden Club with Mrs Drage—Enrichment



Crafting Club with Mrs Johnston—Enrichment

"Not every day is good but there is something good in every day." - Alice Morse Earl

#### **Remembrance Assemblies**

This year's Millom School Remembrance assembly lead by Mr Prior, focused on the service and sacrifice of all those who defended our freedom to protect our way of life and to those who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Various students respectfully took part in the assembly with
 reading and music contributions. Thank you to the students
 who also attended the ceremony at the Cenotaph in Millom.

#takepart #betterlearner #rememberanceday







When Mr Higgins started the Tabletop Gaming Enrichment activity, his ambition was that some students would develop their own original board games.

On Wednesday 15 November 2023 the wonderfully creative Heidi in 6th Form delivered their first such example—'Camp!'.

Hopefully the quality of the product will inspire more inginuity from our students.

Well done to all involved.

#takepart #betterlearner #enrichment #tabletopgaming









Forget They shall grow not old, as we that are left to grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember

Lest we

Children in Need Sponge the Staff—raised £186

them.



Needlecraft Club Enrichment—Needlecraft work

#### Jake—Year 10

- After a sensational
- Cumberland Wrestling season this year, Jake in Year 10 has been selected to represent England in the **Brittany Backhold** Championships in March
- A massive congratulations to Jake! A very proud school and community will be cheering you on.

#takepart #betterlearner #cumberlandwrestling



"Who you are tomorrow begins with what you do today." -Tim Fargo



PLEASE **INFORM SCHOOL** OF ANY **STUDENT** ABSENCES BEFORE 9:30AM. THANK YOU.



#### Year 11 Geography Trip

The Year 11 group spent the day observing the coastal defences, recording the beach profile, taking height measurements of the groynes and completed annotated photographs of the geology.

Everyone braved the cold with the high spirits and were brilliantly behaved as always.

#takepart #betterlearner #geography



Year 8 Bird Boxes—Technology

#### Year 11 and 13 Careers Event

A massive thank you to Wendy, Millie and Jade from Sellafield who came into school today to speak to our Year 11 and 13 students about the different apprenticeship opportunities available for Post-16 and Post-18 progression routes.

#aimhigher #careers

#### **Photography Workshop**

A photography workshop was provided by commercial photographer, Michael Sewell for some of our Year 11 and Year 13 students.

The workshop gave the students the opportunity to work with a professional photographer and use some high end photography equipment to enhance their technical knowledge and gain a better understanding of the industry.

#takepart #betterlearner #takeresponsibility #photography





"If everyone is moving forward together, then success take care of itself.

—Henry Ford"



BAE Enrichment Workshop with BAE-Robots

"Once you choose hope, anything's possible."

Christopher Reeve



Craft Club Enrichment—Salt Dough Decorations



# Mrs Vance's Wednesday Enrichment Group

On 22 November Mrs Vance and her Local History Group hopped on the train to Ravenglass to visit the remains of the Roman Baths.

In addition to the adventure they group enjoyed a delicious ice-cream from Ravenglass Handmade Ice Cream

#takepart #betterlearner#localhistory #enrichment



#### **Goat Aid**

This term students studying GCSE Geography in Year 11 have been learning about Ethiopia as a case study.

Part of this case study is understanding the impact of an aid project in the country. The Year 11 students have been investigating the impact of the World Vision's Goat Aid in Ethiopia, learning how the supply of just one goat to young children in the country can have a substantial, long term impact on their lives and the overall economic development of Ethiopia.

Since studying Goat Aid, the classes have been fundraising to purchase more goats to support the project.

We successfully raised £42 which allowed us to purchase 2 goats. The goat will be helping young people through the provision of milk for drinking and selling, as well as manure to help grow crops.

Well done to Year 11 and Mrs Johnston.

#takepart #betterlearner #takeresponsibility #goataid

#### **Liverpool John Moores University**

In November our Year 12 and 13 students attended an Open Day at LJMU.

Over their two campuses students were able to explore different course options, tour the facilities and speak to staff and current students.

In the afternoon they had the chance to explore Liverpool, grab some lunch and do a little Christmas shopping.

#aimhigher #university #TakeResponsibility



## Mrs Vance Local History Group

Mrs Vance's local history enrichment group went to Holy Trinity Church in Millom in November.

The afternoon was spent learning about the fascinating history of the ancient building.

The group were informed by the guide of the Norman features of the church and stories behind the medieval tombs. They were also able to view objects from the original castle and musket balls dating back to the English Civil War when the castle was attached three times.

The group also got to ring the church bell!

A great afternoon had by all.

#takepart #betterlearner #enrichement #localhistory

#### **Garden Enrichment Group**

The gardening enrichment group are doing a brilliant job at clearing the year's growth, ready for Winter.

They have worked really hard! So proud of the results they are seeing.

The site is looking great. Well done to the group for all your hard work.

#takepart #enrichement #TakeResponsibility #coldoutsdie







**Barrow Raiders Enrichment Session** 







Picture taken by Mrs Minter on Millom School Site on 2 December 2023



#### **Cumbria Youth Alliance**

Cumbria Youth Alliance came into school to complete their Call to Social Action sessions.

The 6th Form presentations were a success, with the group choosing to create a vegetable garden in school, selling the produce to fund school stationery.

Well done to all involved.

#takepart #TakeResponsibility
#cumbriayouthalliance

#### Wizard of Oz

Year 11 Drama students
performed The Wizard of Oz to
60 Year 5 & 6 students from
Black Combe School and their
teachers.

Hannah H (The Wicked Witch) and Lilly F (Glinda) both codirected the performance with Hollie G as Dorothy, Isabella A as the Cowardly Lion, Elijah R as the Tinman, Leah W as the Scarecrow, Jess M as The Wizard of Oz and Kelis H as Auntie Em.

The final performance was a huge success with the students from Black Combe School having a brilliant time.

The show was for part of their exam for Component 2 of their BTEC—30% of their final grade.

Well done everyone!

#takepart #TakeResponsibility
#wizardofoz

#### • Millom School Christmas Card Designs

- Once again we have had some amazing designs for the Millom School Christmas Card.
- Well Done to all our entrants, all the designs are so wonderful.
- #takepart #betterlearner #Christmas #christmascard #christmas2023















#### **Awards Trip to the Cinema**

On Thursday 14 December some of our

- students who had average attitude to behaviour
   and learning on their Go4Schools account were
   rewarded with a trip to the Roxy Cinema in
- Ulverston.

The students and staff had a great time.

#takepart #betterlearner

#### **Millom School Christmas Concert**

On 12 December, Mrs Gibbon and her students put on a Christmas Concert at The Holy Trinity Church in Millom.

Well done to all involved and thank you to everyone who attended, we hope you enjoyed the evening.

#takepart #TakeResponsibility #Christmas

#### **Archery GB**

Congratulations to Alfie in Year 11 who achieved No.3 in the compound rankings in December.

#takepart #takeresponsibility #archery

# The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music

Well Done to Lucas in Year 10 for being awarded the 'ABRSM Level 2 Certificate in Music Performance (Grade 4)'.

Lucas was awarded this for his Grade 4
Flat Cornet (high merit) Performance.

Well Done Lucas, what an achievement.
We wish you the best of luck for future
exams.

#takepart #music



#### **BDAE Bursary**

Congratulations to our very own Oberon at Millom School 6th Form for being awarded the BDAE (Barrow and District Association of Engineers) Bursary.

What an amazing achievement Oberon, we are so proud. Well done.

#takepart #takeresponsibility #bursary #BDAE #betterlearner #6thform

#### **Year 8 Catering**

Year 8 were busy making puff pastry Christmas trees and stars at the end of term.

The students used cheese, biscoff and jam as a filling.

#takepart #TakeResponsibility #catering #puff pastryideas

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." - Helen Keller



#### **Staff Leavers**

Goodbye and Good Luck to:

#### Miss Lambert

#### **Teacher of Drama**

#### **URGET REMINDER!**

We have had instances of nut products being brought into school recently—products that contain nuts, including chocolate products such as Nutella, Dairy Milk etc. are NOT allowed on site.

Please check the ingredients of products before packing them for lunches etc. We have students with severe nut allergies.

#### **School Reminders**

If your child is absent from school, please remember to ring in your child's absence before 9:30am. A reason for absence needs to be given.

If your child is absent due to sickness or diarrhea they need to be 48 hours clear from the last bout to be able to then come back into school.

Any medical appointments need to be made out of school time where possible. In order for us to authorise medical appointments please provide the school with a copy of the appointment card or letter, a picture or copy of this can be sent to school via email or given to your child to hand in to Reception where we will then take a copy of the document.

Holidays should not be taken in term time. All requests for time out of school should be addressed to Mr MD Savidge either via email, using the school email address or by letter.

Students should be wearing the correct uniform for school. Reminders with regards to uniform, hair and jewellery can be found on the school website and in the parent handbook.

We can accept forgotten packed lunches, money, books etc. but it is the responsibility of your child to collect these from Reception. We cannot get messages to students. If your child has forgotten there lunch or money for their lunch they will be able to get something from either refectory and the money spent can be paid back the following day.

If as a parent/carer you would like to make an appointment to see a member of staff. Please contact the school via telephone in order to do this.

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