

It Starts with a Bee ... (cont.)

Costain kindly purchased a number of beekeeper suits for children so that the pupils can help out with the bees and view them close up. Pupils are also involved in hive construction and inspection through to extraction, honey jarring and selling.

Over the past few years the school has worked hard to create and maintain a bee friendly garden with nectar rich plants and an apple orchard, making it easy for children to observe pollination first hand.

In June 2022 the school was recognised by North West in Bloom, who selected it for three prestigious awards. More recently Y6 children achieved success in gaining their Junior Bee Keeping Award.



Basic Computer Course

Further sessions of this popular course - suitable both for beginners and those wishing to 'refresh' basic skills - will be held in Shevington Library from 3 to 31 October (every Tuesday between 10 am and noon) and similarly between 7 November and 5 December. Application forms are available in the Library and early booking is advised. The cost is £3 per session. If you have any queries, please ring 01257 252618.

The school provides further opportunities for the pupils to develop their business and entrepreneurial skills through its farm shop, 'Honey Buzzness'. This is a fully functional shop selling refreshments, honey and fresh produce, all grown within the school's own vegetable patch.

Anti-Social Behaviour Issues?

See it
Report it
Get it LOGGED!!!!



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N: North
S: South
W: West

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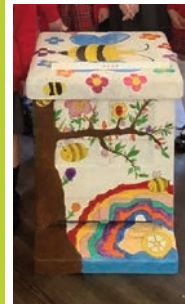
Miles Lane Extra Care Development Latest

Demolition of the old school buildings was completed in June and construction of the new roadway and building has started. Some of the bricks from the old building have been retained and will be used in the new scheme. Prior to demolition some items of interest were found in the school – old pictures, a mosaic and some old equipment. An effort will be made to incorporate them into the project to create a link with the history of the site.

The Project's Manager has also met Louise Wade, who carried out a great deal of research prior to the school's bi-centenary and has a lot of information about the school's history. She has started to share this material with him with a view to creating wall displays, public art or something similar and they will be working on this as things progress. The team are also sifting through Wigan Council's archives, where a lot of information about the school has been stored.

Over the next few months a number of new service connections will be introduced. This may mean temporary traffic lights along Miles Lane for short periods of time.

The Extra Care scheme will be owned and managed by Wigan Council, who have received many enquiries about it and how applications for an apartment can be made. For further information, please contact our Clerk, who will point you in the right direction. Expectations are that the scheme will be completed in the Summer of 2024 and we will keep you updated in the event of any changes to this date, but, as things stand, it is still on schedule.



It Starts with a Bee ... Beekeeping Takes Flight at Millbrook!

At Millbrook Primary School pupils are working to contribute to the conservation and protection of the

British honey bee. The school aims to give children opportunities to have as many first hand experiences as possible through its project: 'It Starts with a Bee'.

For the last two years, with support from Bury Bee Keeping and grant funding from Costain, pupils at the school have been keeping bees.

The school has two hives. One is in the school's Apiary in Elnup Woods and the other - a training hive - is in the school's bee garden. With support and expert guidance from Bury Bees the bees are looked after by members of the school's 'It Starts with a Bee' group, involving them in every aspect of bee keeping.

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