



Shevington Vale and Millbrook



Federation Newsletter February 2018

Gosh where has January gone! Returning so soon after New Year has meant that we are now well into our Spring Term and as busy as ever.

Our Federation continues to work as a collaboration and this term our staff have attended joint Continual Professional Training and are also sharing resources. Such links ensure best value when financial planning.

The highlight so far has to be our joint annual Holocaust Service at St Anne's Church, Shevington. The Y5 children from Millbrook and Shevington Vale worked for 3 days at Shevington Vale rehearsing and learning about the Holocaust. On Friday 26th January 2018 our Y5 pupils led the community in a thought provoking service to a full church. This makes me so proud of our children but also shows how history can be brought alive and made to be memorable for our pupils. The children amazed me at their knowledge, also how they embraced the skills of analysing evidence and empathising with the character. It was all very powerful. Thank you also to the families who sent in comments for us to share with the staff and children. It also shows our Federation work at its best.

Our Spring Music Festival is our next collaborative event to be held at Millbrook. Further details will be sent out as soon as the date is finalised.

Life at Millbrook is filled with the continued development of the Arts – music, dance, art and drama as it works hard to refresh and be reaccredited with the Arts Mark award. The 'New' Hub is now a very busy room all week.

Shevington Vale is eventually getting its outdoor space back, Nursery, Reception and Y1 now have some outside space with exciting future plans. We are also working to attain an ICT Award – the green screen technology amazes children.

As we await the warmer weather you will see the development of our 'Daily Mile' tracks in the grounds to improve the facilities for exercise at our schools.

Once again both schools have faced challenges – a one-day closure at Millbrook due to an electrical fault and at Shevington Vale the changes to the entrance gates as work is completed. On behalf of both schools I thank you for the patience that you have shown to my staff during these occasions.

Thank You

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