



Monkfrith Newsletter Autumn Term: Issue 6

Dear Parents,

Kingswood

Last week Year 5 spent three days at the Kingswood Activity Centre in Kent. They had a fantastic time – there will be some photos on the website shortly. Thank you to Miss Donaghy, Miss Delaney, Miss Clark and Miss Cowan for looking after the children so well and making sure they enjoyed their stay.

End of the day for KS2

Please can you make sure you wait on the bottom playground to collect children from KS2. Some parents have started to wait on the top playground and this is making it very hard for teachers to make sure we know where the children are and who they have gone home with.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

A big thank you to all the children who wore green for Macmillan and all the parents who attended the Coffee Morning. All the donations have now been counted and we raised £459.35!

Attendance Information

Please remember that Requests for Authorised Absence are only for **exceptional circumstances**. If you would like more information about what is considered an exceptional circumstance and the penalties for unauthorised absence, please go to <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/citizen-home/schools-and-education/parents.html>.

Attendance for week commencing 1st October 2018

Key Stage 1		Key Stage 2	
Reception Oak	98%	3M	99%
Reception Willow	96%	3P	97%
1B	99%	4F	99.3%
1K	97%	4P	99%
2K	98%	5	97%
2S	100%	6	98%

Congratulations to Year 2S classes and to Year 4F. The overall attendance was 98.47%.

Key Dates for this term for Reception Parents:

17th October 2018 at 7pm – Phonics and Reading

12th November 2018 at 7pm – Areas of Learning and Tapestry

28th November 2018 at 7pm - Maths

We are also in the process of organising a meeting for parents in Key Stage 1 and 2 about how we teach part of the maths curriculum.

We are now trying to make sure that all the dates for the year are on the School Calendar on the website. Please can you remember to check there if you are looking for a date. Contact the Office if you need information about a date that is not there.

Lost Property

At the end of the day on Friday this is what was left in the lost property:

1 fleece	8 polo shirts
3 pairs of girls' trousers	2 white shirts
4 pairs of boys' trousers	1 pink scarf
4 coats/jackets	2 pairs of underwear
10 jumpers	4 pairs of PE shorts
6 cardigans	1 pair of school shorts
2 pairs of socks	2 pairs of tracksuit bottoms
6 odd socks	1 tracksuit tops
1 pair of girls shoes	1 football shirt
1 plimsoll size 12	1 hairband
1 Big Hero backpack	1 pair of tights

Unfortunately most of it is unnamed and so is very hard to reunite with its owner. If you would like to come and look, please come to the Office or ask your child to go and look in the medical room.

Secondary School Admissions

Just a reminder to parents in Year 6 that applications for secondary school places need to be submitted by 31st October 2018.

Barnet SENIASS Conference

Barnet Special Educational Needs Disability Information Advice Support Service is holding its annual conference on the 18 October 2018. The conference is for parent/carers who have children with special educational needs and disabilities.

There are a variety of workshops taking place on the day and parent/carers can attend two of their choosing. Guest speakers will also be present in the afternoon for a Q and A session. Please see the [booking form](#).

Upcoming Events

Friday 12th October 9am - Christmas Fair Planning Meeting - all are welcome!

This Friday, we are holding an open meeting to kick-off our planning of the Christmas Fair. At the meeting we will discuss various topics regarding the fair including stall options, the grotto rooms, food options and much more. If you would like to help, please come along. In particular, we are looking for people to help in these ways:

- Organise a stall (but not necessarily run the stall on the day)
- Grotto Room Organisers
- Santa Volunteers
- Source raffle prizes
- Secure match-funding or sponsorship

There are lots of other ways to get involved to support the Christmas Fair. Please come to the meeting to find out more. If you are unable to attend this Friday, and would still like to help, please contact us on FriendsofMonkfrithSchool@gmail.com.

Friday 9th November 7:30PM - QUIZ NIGHT! Further information and ticket sales to follow after half-term.

Friday 7th December from 3:30 - Christmas Fair

Please note that our committee continues to meet regularly to help plan events for the school. We meet at various times during the week, not just Friday mornings. If you would like to be more involved with FOMS, please be in touch.

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