



## Monkfrith Newsletter Spring Term: Issue 27

Dear Parents,

### Spring Competition

Thank you to everyone who has created an entry for the Spring Competition. It is lovely to see so many children take part in a Monkfrith tradition.

### Online Safety

This week, alongside the newsletter, I am sending out some information from National Online Safety. Over the last few months, teachers and parents have come to me with concerns about various computer games and apps. I know how hard it is to keep up to date with different apps and their settings, but National Online Safety provide lots of really helpful resources. This week I am sending out the Minecraft Guide for Parents. You may know lots already but there also may be some useful advice to keep your child safe.



### Hair

Please can you ensure all hair that is shoulder length or longer is tied up. There are lots of reasons why this needs to be the case in, one of which is nits. There are a few classes where nits are prevalent and long hair not tied up is one of the ways they can spread quickly.

### Parent Governor Election

We have received two nominations for the role of parent governor. This week, each family will receive voting forms (one for each parent who has parental responsibility) along with the candidates' statement. You will have until 12pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May to submit your vote. I will inform you of the result of the vote in the newsletter the following day.

### Free Trial Session and £40 discount at Perform

Popular children's drama and dance school is offering a Free Trial Session and a **special introductory discount of £40 for members of Monkfrith Community Primary School** if they sign up by 24th May. Parents should quote MCPP070519 when they book their free session by going to [perform.org.uk/try](http://perform.org.uk/try) or calling 020 7255 9120.

You can find out more about the classes at [perform.org.uk/try](http://perform.org.uk/try). Alternatively, pdf flyers can be downloaded from [here](#) and [here](#).

## Word of the Week

Here are our last two words for this term...

### KS1

**Word:** scorch

**Definition:** burn the surface with flame or heat/move very fast

The sun scorched the plants in the garden.

**Synonym:** burn

**Antonym:**

### KS2

**Word:** panorama (noun)

**Definition:** an unbroken view of a region/wide view

The school hall offered a panorama of children's writing on the wall.

**Synonym:** landscape

## Attendance

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>.

**I am not authorising absence requests for holidays and will be referring families that take unauthorised holiday to Barnet to be fined.**

### Attendance for week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Key Stage 1		Key Stage 2	
Reception Oak	95%	3M	98%
Reception Willow	97%	3P	93%
1B	98%	4F	96%
1K	99%	4P	98%
2K	98%	5	99%
2S	99%	6	98%

Congratulations to the winners for Key Stage 1 who were 2S and 1K. Our Key Stage Two winners were Year 5! Attendance was 97.7% last week.

## FOMS News

Easter Tea Party - This Thursday 4th April from 3:30pm in School Hall. Please come along for a fun afternoon of cakes, tea, snacks and crafts. We may even have a very special visitor come along that you won't want to miss!

To make the Easter Tea Party a success, we are in need of cake donations on the day. Please drop off your cakes to the school office from Thursday morning. If you are available to help sell cakes that afternoon, please let a member of the FOMS Committee know.

I hope you all have a lovely, restful Easter break. Just a reminder that we break up this **Friday at 2pm** and we return to school on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**.

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