



Monkfrith Newsletter Spring Term: Issue 29

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see everyone back at school last week and it was a really busy week as all the classes started their new topics. **Year 6** have been learning about the heart and how it works and **Year 3** are learning about the Earth and how volcanoes are formed. In **Year 1** this week they have been learning about the different countries that make up the United Kingdom, while **Year 4** have moved from the Romans to the Anglo Saxons for their topic – Traders and Raiders. **Reception** have started finding out all about minibeasts and are growing butterflies. In **Year 5** they have started their Allotment topic, finding out about different methods of farming and in **Year 2** they have begun learning about the rainforest.

European Elections

We understand we will be used as a polling station for the European Elections on Thursday 23rd May. If this is the case, school will be closed. I will confirm as soon as I get confirmation from Barnet Council.

Online Safety - Whatsapp

This week, alongside the newsletter, I am sending the link about Whatsapp for parents. There have been some issues recently with messages on groups and these have then gone on to cause problems at school. [Click here for more details about how to support your child.](#)

Cars around school

The parking situation at the start and end of the day continues to be a huge problem. It is extremely dangerous and causing a lot of anxiety for those parents who want to walk to school with their children.

This week I have seen cars stopping in the middle of the road to let out children, pulling up on the pavement or reversing on to the grass verges on Knoll Drive when lots of children were walking by. If you insist on driving to school, then please think about the safety of everyone's children and make sensible and responsible decisions about where to park.

Football

We have been given a date for the football final against Holy Trinity. If you would like to come along and support the team they will be playing at 4pm on Wednesday 8th May on the pitch at Summerside School.



Parent Governor Election

Just a reminder that you have until 12pm on Friday 3rd May to submit your vote for the Parent Governor election. I will inform you of the result of the vote in the newsletter the following day.

Playground Equipment

Please do not let your child use the play equipment after school.



Word of the Week

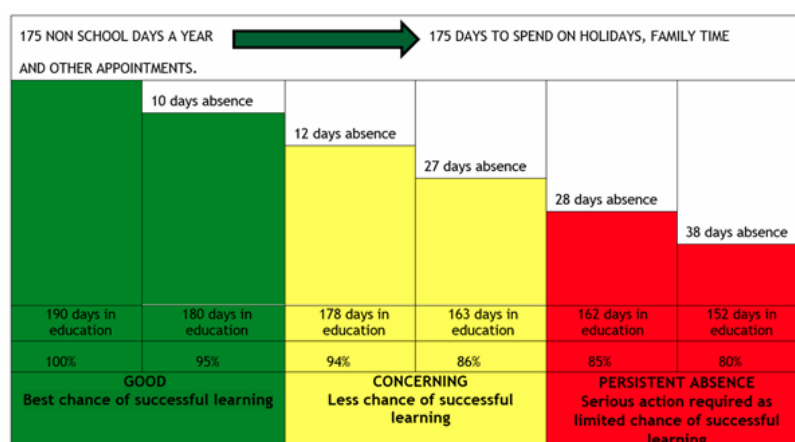
KS1	KS2
<p>Word: narrow (adjective, verb or noun) Definition: a small width or to make less wide</p> <p>The narrow road couldn't fit two cars.</p> <p>Synonym: small Antonym: wide</p>	<p>Word: disclose (verb) Definition: make secret information known</p> <p>She disclosed her secret to dividing fractions!</p> <p>Synonym: reveal Antonym: conceal</p>

Guitar Exams

Congratulations to Daania in Year 4 who passed her grade 1 with merit and to Emre in Year 5 who passed with distinction. Hopefully they will volunteer to play to us in celebration assembly on a Friday soon!

Attendance

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



Attendance for week commencing 22nd April.

Key Stage 1		Key Stage 2	
Reception Oak	81%	3M	100%
Reception Willow	96%	3P	95%
1B	86%	4F	95%
1K	99%	4P	96%
2K	93%	5	98%
2S	99%	6	98%

Congratulations to the winners for Key Stage 1 who were 1K and 2S. Our Key Stage Two winners were 3M!

FOMS News**Summer Fair Sponsorship**

FOMS are pleased to announce that Kinleigh Folkard & Hayward (KFH) Estate Agents have agreed to sponsor the Summer Fair. We have been asked to provide 31 addresses to display a board that will advertise both KFH as well as the Monkfrith Summer Fair. If you could have a board outside of your house, please email friendsofmonkfrithschool@gmail.com or send a message to a FOMS committee member with your full address so we can add you to our list. Please can you send through your addresses by this Friday 26th April as we need to provide them well in advance. Thank you!

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