



## Monkfrith Newsletter Autumn Term 2019: Issue 2

Although last week was only a few days, there were so many interesting things happening around school. Here is a photo from 2D who have got straight down to work on place value and the children in 1C have headed straight to the book corner in their classroom.



In assemblies and in PSHE lessons this half term we are thinking about bravery and courage.



### Meet the Teacher

These meetings are a chance for you to have a chat with your child's new teacher, find out about the curriculum for the year and ways that you can support us to help you child. I hope to see you then! If you are not able to attend, don't worry; the information will be put on the website the following day and you can always make an appointment via the Office to speak to your child's new teacher if you have any concerns.

Years 3 and 4 – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 6pm

Years 1 and 5 - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 6pm

Years 2 and 6 - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 6pm

Please use the main entrance on Knoll Drive.

### Aldi Stickers

Aldi have launched an offer to help schools. If you shop in Aldi over the next few months for every £30 you spend you will get a sticker. Please bring the stickers to school and if we collect enough we can receive sports kits and be in with a chance of winning £20,000.



### Monkfrith reads...

This year I would like to start a new feature in the newsletter. As anyone who goes to a bookshop or browses in the library or on the internet knows, there are so many children's books, it can sometimes be a little overwhelming. If your child (and/or you) would like to recommend a book, please write a short review and email it to the Office. It could be fiction or non fiction – just a book that has been enjoyed.

I am going to write the first one as I read some fantastic children's books over the summer and have been looking forward to sharing them!

### Miss Deasey reads... Malamander by Thomas Taylor

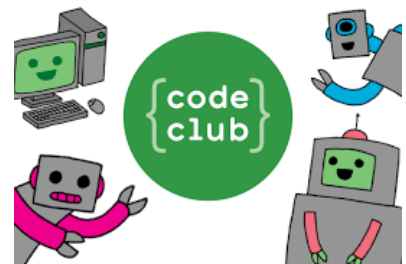
The main character is a boy called Herbert Lemon. He does an unusual job at the Grand Nautilus Hotel in Eerie-on-Sea. Together with his new friend – Violet Parma, who is trying to find out what happened to her parents – he is caught up in a fantastical, thrilling adventure that had me gripped!



This book is aimed at children in Year 5 and 6 but would also make a great story to share at bedtime. I really enjoyed the fast-paced action, uncovering the mysteries of a seaside town in winter and how friends come together to help each other out. The language is amazing as are the illustrations (the author also did the artwork for Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone).

### Clubs

Thank you to those who have let me know about **Code Club**. Existing members can start back this Wednesday (the room has had to change: we are now in the classroom through the dining room by Year 6). We are just working out how many additional children we will be able to take and I will let you know next week. Thank you for your patience.



**KS2 Choir** will start back this Thursday at 8.15am. You do not need to sign up just come along and sing!

### Dance Club for Year 5 and 6

This has moved from Tuesday lunchtime to Tuesday after school. There are approximately 20 spaces. If your child would like to try out this week, text the Office.

### Music Lessons

If your child is learning a musical instrument this term with BEAT, the lessons will start this week.

Monday – Piano

Tuesday – Guitar

Wednesday/Thursday - Woodwind

## **FOMS News**

Welcome back to school! FOMS are planning another fun year of events to help raise money for the school. As it is the start of a new year, it is the best time to join our friendly, welcoming committee and be at the heart of planning our events for the year. We meet approximately every two weeks and vary our meetings between mornings and evenings. Our first committee meeting of the year will be **Friday 13th September at 9am**. If you are interested in joining us, please email us at [FriendsofMonkfrithSchool@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofMonkfrithSchool@gmail.com)

Here are the dates for our events in the Autumn term. Please mark them down in your diaries now and we hope to see many of you at these events throughout the term!

FOMS hosts Macmillian Coffee Morning - **Friday 27th September at 9am**  
Reception Parents Welcome Evening - **Thursday 10th October at 7pm**  
Quiz Night - **Friday 15th November at 7:30pm**  
Christmas Fair - **Friday 6th December at 3:30pm**

Jude Deasey  
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