



## Monkfrith Newsletter

### Autumn Term 2019: Issue 6

**Oak** and **Willow** classes started their phonics lessons last week learning the 's', 'a', 't' and 'p' sounds and how to correctly form their letters. **Year 2** worked so hard this week writing about their trip to the Orchard Project last week so on Friday they had some Golden Time. There were lots of enjoyable creative activities for the children to choose, but it was lovely to find some children choosing to use this time to share a book with a friend!



**Year 5** had a great time at Kingswood activity centre in Kent. All the teachers were really pleased with the way that the children challenged themselves to try new activities and work together as team. Thank you to the adults who gave up their time to go with the children.



**Year 6** had a fantastic workshop to learn all about Mayan civilisation. It was a really intense day, but



they did so well. Mrs Ditchburn was proud of the way they all joined in and came up with great ideas, some of which they will share in their class assembly on 6<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Parent Consultations for Years 1 to 6

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 8am – 8.45am

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 4pm – 6.20pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 5.30pm – 7.50pm

If you have not signed up yet, please pop into the Office to make the appointment.

#### Reception Parents

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday evening at 7.30pm for our 'Welcome to Monkfrith' drinks. Please use the main entrance on Knoll Drive.

## Uniform

Just a reminder as the weather gets colder that if your child would like to wear a layer in addition to or instead of their school jumper inside, it needs to be a **school fleece**.

## Monkfrith reads...

### Lexi in Year 4 reads... **The Demon Dentist** ....

When I read the Demon Dentist, I was really scared but I loved it! It was such a terrifying book and very sad. I loved it because it was full of toxic and dark moments. I look at my dentist in a very different way now!!



The Demon Dentist is also an evil tooth fairy who leaves bugs and spiders under children's pillows! Eeeeeekkkkkkkk!

NOTE: David Walliams is a brilliant author who makes everyone lol (laugh out loud)

Thank you Lexi! This is not a book I have read, but it sounds great! I will add it to my Amazon basket. If you would like to recommend a book, then send your review to [office@monkfrithschool.co.uk](mailto:office@monkfrithschool.co.uk).



## Fundraising

As you can see, Khalil in Year 4 is currently growing his hair. He is about to cut it off ready to raise money. The Little Princess Trust is a charity that provide real hair wigs for children and young people who have lost their hair to reasons such as cancer. If you are able to support Khalil please go to:

[http://www.justgiving.com/Khalil-Hamirani?utm\\_id=26](http://www.justgiving.com/Khalil-Hamirani?utm_id=26)

## Zumba

We have had some children from KS1 and KS2 sign up to Zumba. There are still spaces if your child would like to join. It looked and sounded like great fun last week. Contact the Office for details.

## Music Tuition through BEAT

Parents are now able to enrol their children for individual instrumental tuition through our website to commence in the spring term. The deadline to enrol and pay for lessons is midnight on the 10th December. Please can you ask them to follow this link <https://beatrust.org.uk/enrol/school-based-instrumental-lessons>. This is for new tuition only.

All parents of students who are already having lessons with us will be emailed their invoice for the spring term just before the half term. The date to pay this will also be midnight on the 10th December.

With the exception of piano, all students need to have their own instrument for lessons. We offer a hire service for some instruments but these are subject to availability. Contact BEAT Trust for details.

## ADHD

Barnet have a parenting course coming up, for parents of children with ADHD. The Family Links course is a 6-week nurturing programme beginning on Tuesday 5 November 2019 at 10am to 12.30pm at Barnet Mencap's office. Please email: [projectsupport@barnetmencap.org.uk](mailto:projectsupport@barnetmencap.org.uk) for details.

## Attendance

Please do not request holiday during term time. The dates for this academic year are already on the calendar on the website and the dates for the following year will be there shortly.

KS1		KS2	
<b>Oak</b>	99%	<b>3B</b>	99%
<b>Willow</b>	98%	<b>3P</b>	99%
<b>1C</b>	98%	<b>4B</b>	99%
<b>1K</b>	98%	<b>4P</b>	97%
<b>2D</b>	98%	<b>5D</b>	97%
<b>2K</b>	98%	<b>5F</b>	98%
		<b>6</b>	98%
<b>Average Whole School Attendance</b>		98.5%	

Congratulations to Oak class in Key Stage 1 and Year 3B, 3P and 4B in Key Stage 2 for winning the attendance award this week!

Jude Deasey  
Headteacher

