





Monkfrith Newsletter Autumn Term 2019: Issue 15

This is the last newsletter of 2019 and the last of this term. Thank you to everyone for their support since September, particularly with fundraising and the Amazon wishlists. The children (and their teachers) have worked hard and the break is well-deserved. If you are coming to one of the Christmas Concerts or the Nativity this week, I hope you share our pride in how hard the children have worked and it puts you in a festive mood. Have a fantastic holiday and I will see you all on Monday 6th January as usual!

Boys' Football Team

The team played in their last match of the term on Tuesday against Our Lady of Lourdes. In near darkness (by the end!) they drew 3-3, although the team felt that if there had been goal-line technology the result may have been different! Matches will resume in January.

Christmas Entertainment

Thank you to FOMS who paid for all the children to have a pre-Christmas treat last week. There were games, dancing and balloon animals. The children had lots of fun – thank you FOMS!

Clubs

There **is** Dance Club on Tuesday after school. There will be **no** Code Club on Wednesday or KS2 Choir on Thursday morning. They will resume in the first week back.

Year 2 and 6 Parents

In January, we will be holding a meeting for parents to find out more about Statutory Assessment and Testing (SATS) for children in Year 2 and 6 and the way that we do it at Monkfrith. If you have already had a child in these year groups, there is no need to attend as we are not doing anything differently, but if you would like to find out a little bit more then please come along. The meeting will be on Monday 13th January. KS1 will begin at 7pm and KS2 at approximately 7.30pm. Please use the Office entrance.

Parent Volunteers

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help reading. Evie is creating a list for me about who has volunteered and when they are available. I will be in contact at the start of the term in January.

FOMS

Big congratulations to Yiangos Xioutas, a dad from Year 4 and 3 who was the winner of the silent auction for the Anthony Joshua signed boxing glove. His winning bid for the glove was £500! Thank you so much to the Xioutas family for their generous bid.

The signed Spurs football silent auction also concluded this week with a winning bid of £501! Congratulations to the lucky winner!!

Monkfrith reads...

Bronwyn in Year 1C (and her family) read..."When Winston Delivered Christmas" by Alex T. Smith.

This is a special book which has 24 & a half chapters. You start reading it on the 1st December, and then read one chapter a day on the run up to Christmas Day. The story is about a little mouse, Winston, who finds a letter to Father Christmas that has been lost on Christmas Eve. Winston feels sad that the person who sent the letter won't receive any presents, and so makes it his mission to deliver the letter to Father Christmas. Each chapter we hear about Winston's adventure to find the North Pole and the friends he meets along the way. So far, Winston has battled his way through a busy shopping street, seen the most beautiful



dolls house, found the Jolly Holiday Travel Agents in search of a globe, and made friends with Edna the Pigeon and George the Robin. At the end of each chapter, there is a Christmassy activity you can do, one of which was to make your own Winston finger puppet, which I have loved doing. I can't wait to find out what happens in the end.

Thank you Bronwyn! I have a few reviews ready to start the new year with in January but don't let that stop you sending them in...office@monkfrithschool.co.uk

Attendance

KS1		KS2	
Oak	90%	3B	97%
Willow	92%	3P	95%
1C	97%	4B	95%
1K	95%	4P	95%
2D	96%	5D	96%
2K	98%	5F	98%
		6	97%
Average Whole School Attendance		96%	

Well done to 2K in KS1 and Year 5F in KS2!

Parent/Carer Drop Ins Barnet SEND

Parent/Professional one to one sessions are available for parents/carers of Barnet children and young people (0-25), to share any concerns or issues, with a relevant professional. It is a stand-alone session, so this means that there is no follow-up. The aim of this session is to provide parents/carers with an opportunity to discuss concerns, and collectively think through how to move forward with the situation.

To access these sessions parents/carers must book a place, utilising booking form in the attached flyer. Please return the forms to EandS.Support@barnet.gov.uk

Please share this information with your parent/carer community and distribute the attached flyer and booking form via email and display in your setting. The sessions can only be accessed through a 'first come first served' booking system. In order to achieve fair access to the sessions, it is important that this flyer is circulated to your parent community as soon as possible.

Autism Course

The Cygnets Course, which is a free comprehensive training and support program for parents/carers of children aged 5 -11, with a diagnosis of autism, starts in January. Please follow the link below to sign up.

http://training.barnetce.org.uk/pls/cpd1920/gen bystrand fr pub excl

See you next year!

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