

# Monkfrith School

Summer Term 2021 Newsletter 10

# Sports Week

This morning we have welcomed the Laura Mitchell to school as one of the parts to our Sports Week. We are still counting the final amount of sponsorship money but we have been amazed with how much we raised. If your child raised money for a photo, poster or postcard, they will bring them home tomorrow. Details of how we will spend the money will be shared in the newsletter.





# **Transitions**

It is the time of the year where I know parents and children start to think about September and what a new year may bring so I thought it might be helpful to share some of our plans.

At the start of July information about which teachers will have which classes will be in the newsletter along with some information about the teacher. Your child's 'old' teacher and 'new' teacher will meet to go through a detailed handover. They discuss each child in depth, both academically and socially to ensure that we do everything we can for a smooth transition.

All the children will get an opportunity to visit their new classroom and meet their new teacher before the end of term to take part in some transition activities so that they feel more comfortable coming back to school in September.

For children in Reception, they will get additional opportunities to spend time with their new teachers and begin building relationships so that the transition feels less daunting. Each year our Reception and Year 1 teachers think carefully together about what the children who are moving into Year 1 will need to help them move from the Foundation Stage Curriculum and onto the National Curriculum; the most important thing to remember is that we make the decision based on the needs of the children in the class.

Year 6 are studying a new topic this half term, Maafa. As part of it, 6D have been looking at the British artist, Hurvin Anderson and his painting, Peter's Back. I was so impressed by their finished results!





### **Woodwind Concert**



One of the many things that I have really missed during the last 18 months is our musical performances so I am really pleased to let you know that if your child plays a woodwind instrument we will be putting on a small concert for parents only on the 13th July at 2.45pm. Hopefully this will be the first step towards a return to our usual concerts from the Autumn Term.

# Easy Fundraising

Remember over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to Monkfrith for FREE every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them. This means you can support the school when you get your groceries, book a holiday or day out, order a takeaway, renew your insurance policies or buy anything else – at no extra cost to yourself! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofmonkfrith/





We have been able to give Year 6 a few weeks of football training in this term. This week the girls' football team played their first friendly match against Frith Manor. Miss Pierides and Mr Chris were really proud of how well they played and their determination and spirit. They narrowly lost 1-0. Thank you to the parents who help with transportation and made it possible for the game to go ahead. This week the boys' are playing.

# North London Hospice Fundraising

A huge well done to Chloe (4SL) and Joseph (3D) who completed their 10 mile, yes 10 mile, sponsored walk on Saturday.

They were able to raise just over £1,850 for the North London Hospice in memory of their Grandad who the hospice looked after so well last September.

If you would like to find out more or add in a late donation, click on the link below:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/clare-oatham-vitale





# A message from Barnet Council about the Local Offer

We would like to hear feedback from children, young people, parents and carers, and professionals about our Local Offer: what we are doing well, and what we could improve.

The feedback from our consultation survey will be published on the Local Offer website and will be used to continue to develop the Local Offer website and our local services.

How do I give my feedback and complete the survey?

You can complete the consultation survey using the following link: Consultation Survey Link

When does the survey close?

This survey will close on Wednesday 30 June 2021

#### Social Media

We have had a few issues between children in relation to their use of social media and Whatsapp outside of school.



Please can I ask that if you allow your child to be part of social media groups, that you check in on what they are messaging. These group conversations escalate quickly and children end up writing things that are unkind or inappropriate without always realising the impact. If they knew an adult were checking what they were writing, a lot of the problems would not occur.

# Instrumental Lessons



If your child would like to continue (or start) learning an instrument in September, please visit .https://beatrust.org.uk/

From September we are also hoping to restart group recorder lessons for children in Year 2 or above. If your child would be interested in learning the recorder as part of group, please let the Office know by the 28th June.

# **FOMS AGM**

Thank you to those of you who took time to attend the AGM on Thursday. It was a really positive meeting not only reflecting on the previous financial year but also starting to think ahead.

#### Dates:

Friday 9th July - Non Uniform Day (bring a £1)
Friday 24th September - MacMillan Coffee Morning
Wednesday 13th October - New(ish) Parent Welcome Evening 7pm - 9pm
Friday 12th November - Quiz Night 7.30pm
Monday 22nd November - Happy Bags Collection

Attached to the newsletter this week is some information about how you help support FOMS through your employer. Friends Of Monkfrith School, Registered Charity Number: 1146032

### Term Dates Summer 2021 and beyond

#### June

Monday 21st June to Friday 25th June - Sports Week. During this week children can wear sports clothes and trainers to school everyday.

### July

Friday 2nd July - INSET Day

Thursday 8th July - Full Governing Body Meeting 7pm

Friday 9th July - FOMS Non Uniform Day £1

Friday 16th July - Reports to be sent out to parents

Friday 16th July - Year 6 School Sleepover

Tuesday 20th July - Year 6D Show 9.30am (depending on restrictions)

Wednesday 21st July - Year 6LD Show - 9.30am (depending on restrictions)

Friday 23rd July - Last Day of Term 2pm finish

Friday 23rd July - Year 6 Leavers Disco 7pm - 9pm

### September 2021

Wednesday 1st September - INSET Day

Thursday 2nd September - Children back to school

### October 2021

Wednesday 29th September - 1st October - Provisional dates for Year 6 to Kingswood

Wednesday 6th October - 8th October - Provisional dates for Year 5 to Kingswood

Week commencing 18th October - Parent Consultations

Friday 22nd October - INSET Day

Monday 25th October - Monday 29th October - Half Term

#### December 2021

Friday 17th December - Last Day of Term 2pm finish.

Friday 12th November - Quiz Night! 7.30pm

There are still more dates to be finalised over the next few weeks as the restrictions on schools start to lift.