



Monkfrith School

Spring Term 2022

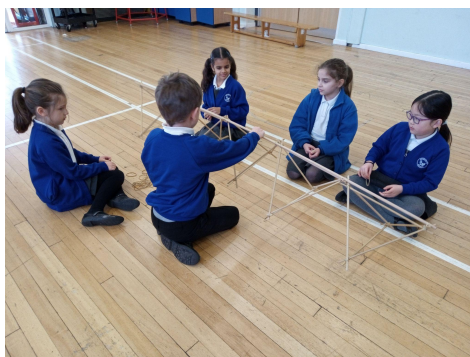
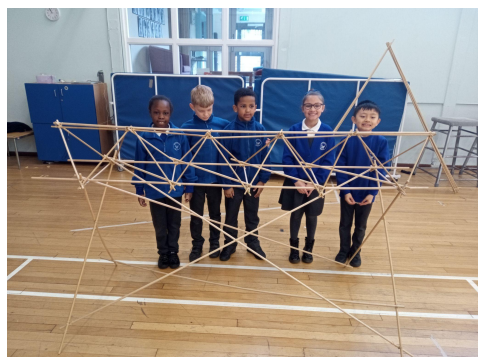
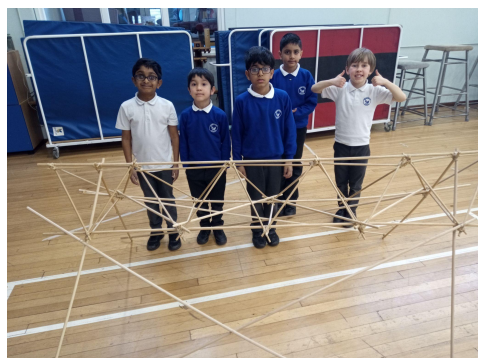
Newsletter 24



If you would like to make a donation to Food Bank Aid, you can drop off anytime between now and Thursday.

First this week, a note on parking. Following a series (of completely justified) complaints from local residents to school, the Council and local councillors, I received a visit from the Travel Plan Team on Tuesday.

I would like to remind parents that if you are not able to walk, cycle or scoot to school, then please park legally and responsibly. This includes not blocking the driveways of our neighbours who are increasingly frustrated with this inconsiderate behaviour. If this means that you need to park and walk a little further, then please do so.



Year 3 had their architecture workshop on Monday last week which links to their topic of Flow. They worked in small groups to create bridge structures. All the children did their best to listen carefully both to the man leading the session but also to each other and try out new ideas. At the end of the session, their bridges were dropped from a height to test their strength and stability. It was very tense!

Valuable experiences like this are only really possible by inviting a visitor into school.



One of the areas that Pupil Council have been working on is reviewing and improving our Behaviour Policy. After consulting with their classes, there was a request that children who consistently do the right thing and always work hard, are recognised and celebrated. As a result, we have introduced Platinum Cards.

Children who are awarded a Platinum Card will also receive a special postcard home with a note from the class teacher.

So far we say a huge well done to: Tino (2K), Zareenah (2K), Callum (2K), Aila (5F) and Abdullah (3D).

Staffing

As you know, Ms Sutton will be starting her maternity leave at the end of this term. We wish her lots of luck! We are also sad to announce that Ms Davies is leaving at the end of the term. In April, Ms Lisa Dunning will be joining us for one year as our new Deputy Head and will also be teaching Year 6D (along with some help from Mrs Powell). I am sure you will make her feel welcome!

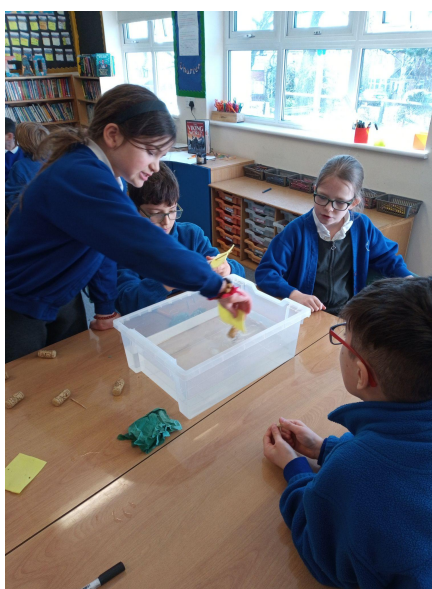
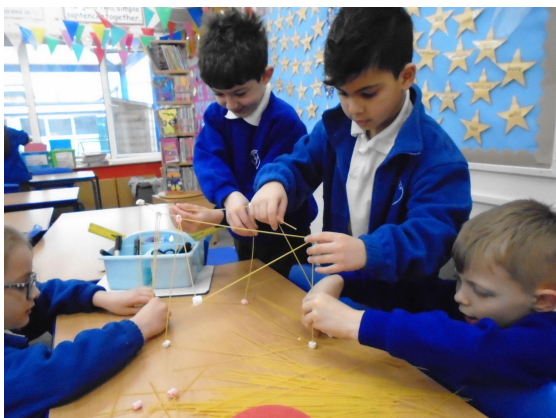


Science Week 2022

This week has also been Science Week in school. Mrs Ditchburn, who is our Science Subject Champion planned a fantastic series of scientific investigations and experiments for the children in each class.

In **Reception** they had a great week exploring bubbles. This year from Year 1 to 6 we are looking at the growth of women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) careers.

In **Year 1** they look at the role of Queen Elizabeth during WW2 (which links to their topic) and investigated how the size of a sails on the wind powered cars they made. **Year 2** focused on Zaha Hadid and creating structure. **Year 3** looked at Sylvia Earle and how to get water to travel uphill. **Year 4** learnt about Dr Gladys West and GPS. They linked this to investigating the keels on Viking ships. **Year 5** created rockets and the role of air pressure while also finding about Katherine Johnson. **Year 6** took inspiration from Beatrice Shilling and investigated the glide of paper aeroplanes.

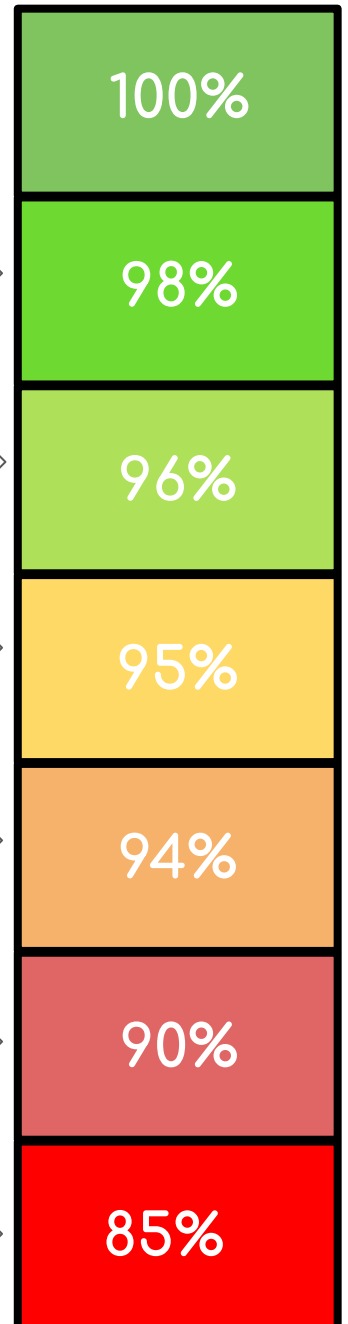
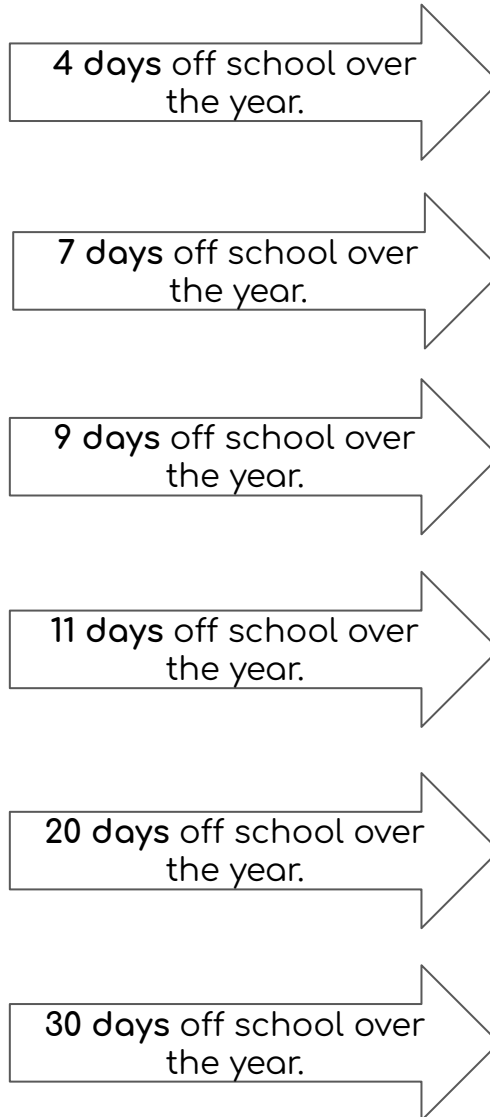




Attendance

Week commencing:
14th March 2022

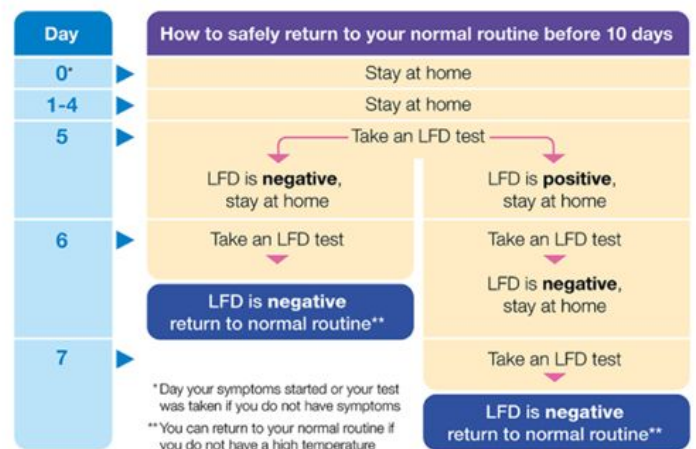
Whole School	93%
Reception	95%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	99%
Year 3	89%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	90%



Covid

The numbers of covid cases in schools across Barnet is rising. Please ensure that if your child has symptoms of covid, you follow the national guidelines and seek a test. If your child tests positive, there are no changes to school absence procedures.

How to safely return to your normal routine before 10 days



Contact Information



Please ensure that we have the most up to date contact information on Arbor. I know that quite a few families have moved house recently so please make sure we have your new address on the system and that your emergency contact information is accurate.

Key Dates for the rest of the year

Monday 21st March - Friday 1st April - Year 4S swimming every day

Friday 1st April - End of Term (break up 2pm)

9am - FOMS Coffee Morning in the Dining Room

FOMS Easter Boxes available from 1.30pm. See the posters around school for details.

Summer Term 1

Tuesday 19th April - Start of Summer Term

Tuesday 19th April - Friday 29th April - Year 5 Swimming

Monday 2nd May - Bank Holiday

Thursday 5th May - School Closed Local Government Elections

Monday 9th May - KS2 SATS Week

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June - Half Term

Summer Term 2

Monday 6th June - INSET Day

Wednesday 15th June - Barnet Music Festival (there still places in Choir if your child in Year 5/6 would like to join)

Monday 20th June - Friday 24th June - Sports Week

Friday 1st July - INSET Day

Wednesday 6th July - KS2 Athletics Competition

Saturday 9th July - Provisional date for the FOMS Summer Fair

Thursday 21st July - End of Term 2pm finish

There will be further dates added.

**GET READY FOR
CHAMPIONS!
HOLIDAY CLUB**

FREE!
5-8th April 2022
10am-12:30pm
St Thomas Church

R-Yr6
Fun, games, drama,
videos, art, interactive
Bible talks, songs,
competitions,
refreshments, and crafts
to take home each
day!

Scan QR code for more info & booking details
www.st-toms.org.uk

Numbots

Times Tables Rockstars

Weekly Leaderboard



Most accurate in the last 7 days	Most correct answers in the last 7 days	Most coins earned
Aadam, 1K Constantino, 1C Deanno, 2K Josh, 1C Nikolay, 1K Esma Ceyda, 2K Angelo, 1C Veronica, 1K Harry, 1C Alfie, 2P	Deanno, 2K Josh, 1C Veronica, 1K Nikolay, 1K Constantino, 1C Aadam, 1K Harry, 1C Esma Ceyda, 2K Zarin, 2K Angelo, 1C	Deanno, 2K Constantino, 1C Josh, 1C Nikolay, 1K Veronica, 1K Aadam, 1K Esma Ceyda, 2K Harry, 1C Alfie, 2P Zarin, 2K

If you have a child in **Reception**, you will be receiving your child's Numbot login information this week!

Numbots can be an effective way of your child consolidating the number skills we teach at school.



Overall School Leaderboard

1. Milan, 6D
2. Myren, 6D
3. George, 4S
4. Khloe, 4S
5. Alexandros, 6D
6. Andrew, 3D

Most improved accuracy in the last 7 days	Most improved speed in the Studio in the last 7 days	Most correct answers in the last 7 days	Most coins in the last 7 days
Ross, 3S Astrid, 3S Ruby O, 3D Iris, 4S Andreas, 4P Ozan, 6LD Amelia, 3S Mylo, 4P Naomi, 3D Lillya, 3S	Nina, 3S Louis, 5F Naomi, 3D Shrina, 4P (playing in the Studio improves your Rockstar status!)	Jasper, 6LD Nina, 3S Christiana, 4P Deanne, 4S Shrina, 4P Issa, 4P Kacper, 5F Ozan, 6LD Kai, 4S Astrid, 3D	Jasper, 6LD Deanne, 4S Kacper, 5F Issa, 4P Christiana, 4P Astrid, 3S Shrina, 4P Mylo, 4P Ozan, 6LD Connor, 5F

