

Alongside the newsletter, you will also be receiving an update from Barnet Public Health about Strep A.

Monkfrith School

Autumn Term 2022

Newsletter 14



We were treated to two fantastic performances of the **Reception** Nativity on Wednesday and Thursday last week. The children were brilliant.

Reception also came along to our whole school for part of our assembly on Friday and joined in really well!

In **Year 1** the children were carrying out scientific investigations into why we need two eyes. They were also

Year 2 wrote letters to Father Chrichton to thank him for their school trip. The children also started their computing lessons for this half term.

Year 4 were thinking about the way that the Romans contributed to our lives today as they planned the essays they will write this week.

Year 5 were learning about Sir Francis Drake and Tudor exploration.

Year 6 took inspiration from the Inuit artist Kenoujak Ashevak to create their own art inspired by British wildlife. They were also looking at a range of poetic devices in preparation for writing their own poems this week.



In **Year 3** the children were creating their own Bell Beaker pots using the designs they planned last week. The results were really impressive! The children also wrote instructions to explain how they made them.





FOMS Jingle and Mingle



A huge **thank you** to everyone at FOMS for putting so much effort into the organisation and to all the volunteers who helped set up during the day or ran a stall. Coordinating such a great event takes a lot of work and dedication.

When everything has been counted, we will let you know how much we raised!

You may have been lucky enough to purchase one of the lovely handmade piece of jewellery from the Huggle stall (all handmade by Sophia in Year 6 and Sophie in Year 4). I got a lovely purple heart necklace! You can also find them on Instagram (Huggledesign)



The raffle will be drawn later today. If you are a lucky winner, then we will let you know and you can collect your prize from the Office!



Supporting attention at home...

At our SEN Coffee morning on Wednesday 25th January 2023, Tiffany Nelson, Trainee Educational Psychologist, will be talking about supporting your child's attention at home. She will briefly cover some theory and factors that influence attention. She will look at strategies to support your child's attention and there will be an opportunity for discussion and to carry out some activities.

Everyone is welcome!



Our Christmas Countdown

If you came to the Christmas Jingle and Mingle on Friday you will have seen we have reached door number 7 on our Christmas Countdown.

'3 Snowmen' and '4 Brussel Sprouts' were created by Reception.



Our '5 Christmas Trees' were provided by 6B.



'6 Crackers Cracking' came from 4S who also provided the crowns, toys and jokes that pop out of a cracker!



The beautiful '7 Stockings Hanging' were made by 1K.

There are 5 days to go...what will be behind door number 8?



Choir

On Wednesday last week, KS2 Choir (along with me and Mrs Folan) went to perform at the Hasluck Trust Christmas Lunch in Parkside Gardens. We have not been since 2019 so it was lovely to be welcomed back by the residents.

The children have been practising a variety of songs to perform - some new and some classics that everyone could join in with! There were a few nerves beforehand, but the children were fantastic and represented our school proudly.

If your child is in Year 4, 5 or 6 and would like to join Choir, then they are welcome to come along on 5th January at 8.15am.

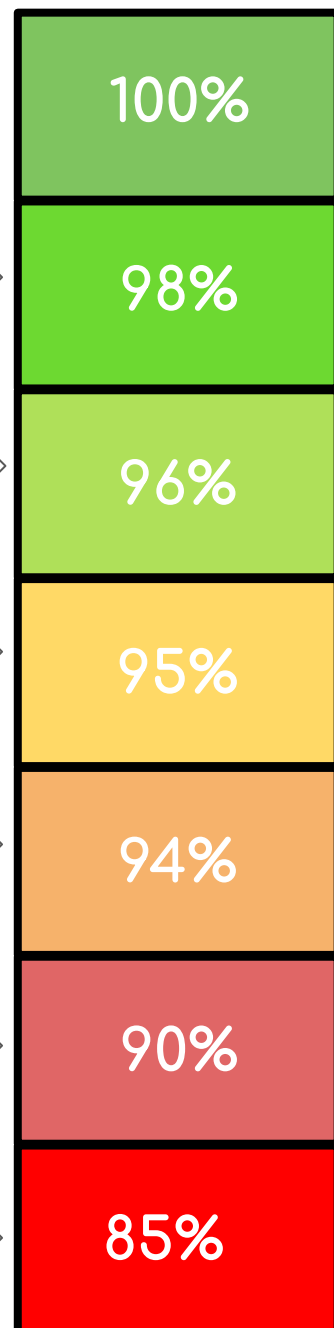
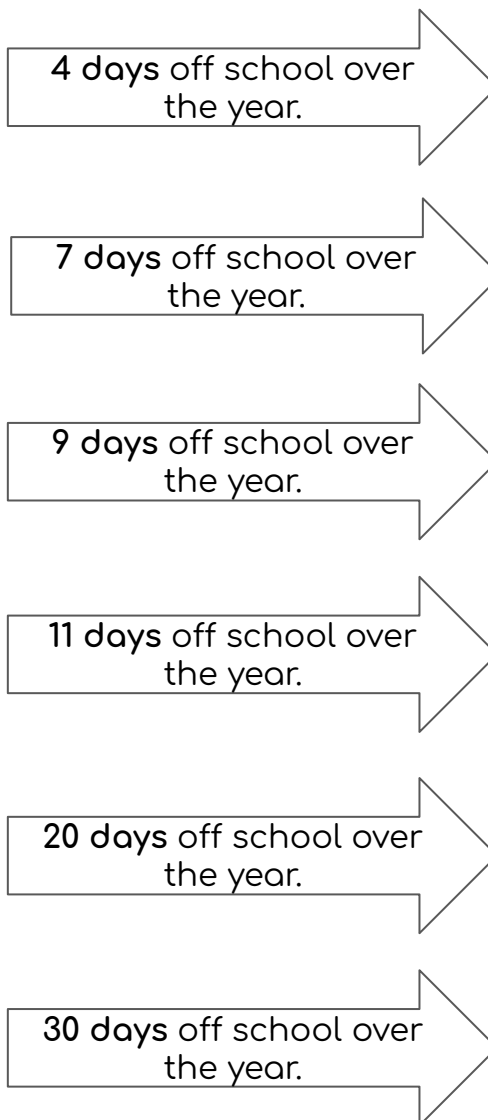




Attendance

Week commencing:
5th December 2022

Whole School	89%
Reception	83%
Year 1	87%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	88%
Year 6	88%



Please remember that no holidays taken before or after the Christmas holidays will be authorised.

Authorised leave will only be agreed in exceptional circumstances.

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Just a reminder to clear your balances before the end of term please. Thank you!



Key Dates for Autumn Term

Wednesday 14th December - KS1 and 2 Christmas Concert 9.30am, Christmas Lunch, Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 15th December - KS1 and 2 Christmas Concert 9.30am

Friday 16th December - School Breaks Up for Christmas 2pm

Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 3rd January - First day back

Wednesday 25th January - SEN Coffee Morning ****Change to the date****

Tuesday 31st January/Wednesday 1st February - Year 6 to Royal Institute

Monday 6th February to 10th February - Children's Mental Health Week

Monday 6th February - Wednesday 8th February - Parent Consultations

Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February HALF TERM

Monday 20th February - INSET 3

Monday 6th March - Dance Festival (Year 5 and 6 Dance Club)

Monday 6th March to Friday 17th March - Year 5 swimming

Friday 31st March - End of Spring Term 2pm finish

Summer Term 2023

Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May - KS2 SATs week for Year 6

Sunday 14th May - Friday 19th May - Year 6 Residential to the Isle of Wight

