



Monkfrith School

Summer Term 2023

Newsletter 5

When you receive this newsletter, Year 6 (and I!) will be on their 6 day residential trip, hopefully enjoying the delights of the Isle of Wight. Last week, the children worked extremely hard as they completed their SATs. All the adults in school were impressed with their determination, hard work and resilience.

Year 3 had a great trip to the Natural History Museum on Thursday. They experienced an earthquake and learnt all about volcanoes in their workshop. As you would expect, they behaved brilliantly and represented our school really well. Thank you so much to all the parents who accompanied the classes. Your support with activities means that it can happen!

In **Reception** the children are really enjoying learning about minibeasts. The focus last week was on the wonder of worms. They have read Superworm and were designing wormeries. Also, the caterpillars have turned into chrysalises so not long to go!

In **Year 1**, in PSHE, they were learning about the role of the emergency services.

Year 4, the children were exploring colour mixing in art and starting to think about the colours and symbols that can be used to express sounds. They also began their new whole class reading text, Arthur and the Golden Rope.



On Friday afternoon, the children in **Year 5** were visited by Father Chrichton from Christ Church, Southgate. As part of their RE they are looking at religious leaders in the community.



Changes to prices of school meals

Our catering is provided by a company called ISS who hold a contract with Barnet Council. At the end of last week, we were notified that there will be an increase in the price of school meals from June. The reason for this change is the increase in food inflation, the increase in the London Living Wage of 8.1%, the increasing cost of fuel and transport.

From 6th June the cost of a school meal will change from £2.34 to £2.55.

If your child is in Reception or Key Stage 1, the meal will continue to be provided free of charge by the Government.

If your family is entitled to Free School Meals and you have a child in Key Stage 2, there will be no charge.

If you believe that your family may be entitled to Free School Meals, you can check here: <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk>

You may have seen that from September, the Mayor of London has announced plans to provide all primary school children with free school meals for one year. We have not had further details about this at present, but these will be shared when we do.

Idle Engines

Idling is when a vehicle's engine is left running while parked or stationary and contributes to toxic emissions. Idling causes high levels of air pollution and high levels of air pollution disproportionately impact children's health.

The World Health Organisation believe that reducing car emissions could prevent over 2 million deaths each year by 2030.

It can also lead to a fixed penalty notice under The Road Traffic Regulations 2002.

Please think about this when you are waiting at the start and end of the school day.



Parent Governor Elections

Details about parent governor elections were sent on Friday. It is a great way to be involved in the life of your child's school.

If you would be interested and would like to find out more about the role, then you can email: governingbody@monkfrithschool.co.uk or have arrange a time to come and see me.



Week commencing:

15th May 2023

Attendance

Whole School	97%
Reception	97%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	97%

4 days off school over the year.

7 days off school over the year.

9 days off school over the year.

11 days off school over the year.

20 days off school over the year.

30 days off school over the year.

100%

98%

96%

95%

94%

90%

85%

Key Dates for Summer Term 2023

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

Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June - Half Term

Monday 5th June - INSET 4

Wednesday 7th June - Reception to Aldenham

Thursday 8th June - Year 2 to London Zoo

Friday 9th June - Class Photos

Tuesday 13th June - Music Festival for KS2 Choir

Wednesday 14th June - New Reception Parents meeting 7pm

Monday 19th June - Sports Week, **including the return of the FOMS Danceathon on Friday 23rd June**

In this week, the children can wear sporty clothes all week rather than their uniforms as it will be an active week! Trainers, shorts, leggings, tracksuits etc...

Friday 23rd June - Reception Sports Morning (9.15am start)

Tuesday 27th June - Barnet Athletics Competition for KS2

Wednesday 28th June - Year 5 to Capel Manor

Monday 3rd July to Thursday 6th July - Whole School Spelling Bee!

Wednesday 5th July - KS1 Sports Morning (9.15am start)

Friday 7th July - INSET 5

****Saturday 15th July Summer Fair****

Friday 21st July - Break up 2pm

Autumn Term 2023

Monday 4th September - INSET Day

Tuesday 5th September - First day of school