

MONKFRITH SCHOOL

Autumn 6 2025



This month marks Black History Month, and the theme is *Standing in Power and Pride*. In recent assemblies, we've learned about the contributions of notable figures such as Norman Ouseley, Doreen Lawrence, and Leah Namugerwa. On Tuesday, most classes participated in the Great Big Live Assembly hosted by the Sanctuary Foundation.

Don't forget it is Show Racism the Red Card Day on Friday 17th October.

This week we had our termly visit from our Learning Network Inspector from the Barnet Education and Learning Service. She spent some time talking to me and about our academic outcomes from last year but then visited classrooms and spent some time with the children talking about their work. She was really impressed with how well the children were able to talk about their learning from so far this term and how they were able to link it back to the learning they had done in other year groups. It was a really positive visit.

On Thursday, school had the delicious smell of baking! Year 2 applied the culinary skills from last week to making their own carrot and cinnamon muffins. They then had fun tasting and evaluating what they had made.



Here are some photos of our Year 6 children sketching the William Morris designs at the Church last week. This week they have been linking their learning about the Victorians with Black History Month by finding out about the life and legacy of Fanny Eaton.



Class Wishlists

Thank you to the parents who have asked about class wishlists. We are in the process of putting them together and will share very shortly. Class wishlists are a way that you can donate something to your child's class that might be wanted or needed.



It was lovely to see so many Reception parents come along on Tuesday evening to find out more about the Reception curriculum and how to support with phonics and reading at home.

In Year 3 this week the children have been learning about sharks. They started with researching about sharks and sorting the information into groups to help them write their factfiles. In Year 1 the children have been sorting and classifying different animal classes.



Year 4 has been experimenting with their predictions regarding the effects of heating various solids. They have also been making playdough to practice the designs they are going to attempt for their jam tarts. When I wrote the newsletter last week, Year 5 had not yet returned from Kingswood. However, it has been wonderful to talk to them this week and learn about the challenges they overcame and the activities they enjoyed. This week they have been releasing their butterflies ready to write up their scientific observations.

Christmas Cards

Your child may have come home this week and said that they have been designing Christmas Cards at school. Don't worry, there is still plenty of time before we get to December but the children have started on their designs. More information about how you can order the design as a card, wrapping paper, bauble or even on a teddy will follow soon. FOMS have selected a different provider this year and the process is very slightly different.

Flu Vaccinations

At the end of this half term, the School Immunisation Team will be visiting and have asked that we share the link to this video about the Flu Immunisation.



Vaccination UK

Immunisation provider for **NHS**

Flu Webinar

School Immunisation Services
Vaccination UK
2025/2026
Christina Mannion
Deputy Clinical Lead

Flu FAQs - Parent Webinar Sept 2025

Watch on  YouTube

Parent Governor Election Results

Voting closed for our parent elections last Thursday. Thank you so much to the candidates who stood and everyone who took the time to vote. The results are as follows:

Jaymaa Shah - 102 votes

Charlie Parish - 65 votes

Demi Jeffels - 52 votes

Negar Mirza - 17 votes



A big thank you!

A huge thank you Jamie, Mehmet and Nils for giving up their time on a Saturday morning to take down the old shed - all done in just 20 minutes! We couldn't have done it without you and really appreciate your help

FOMS Quiz Night 2025

Book Your Tickets Now! Get ready for a night of trivia, fun, and fundraising.

 Date: Friday 14th November

 Time: 7:30pm

 Tickets: Quiz Only £8, Quiz + Food £18
How to Book:

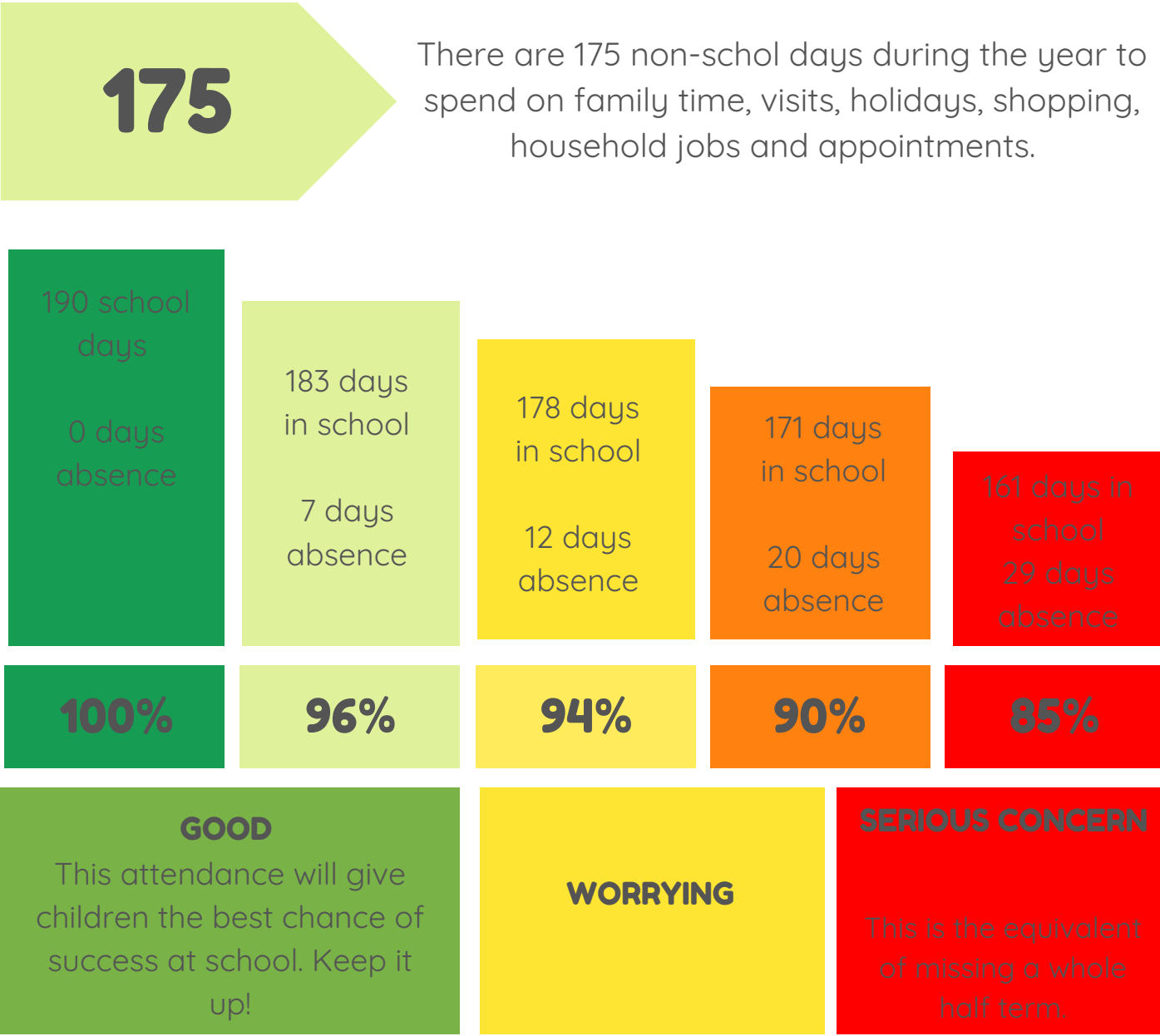
 Online: Pay online on Classlist

Teams of 8 people - or sign up solo and we'll match you with a team!



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

365 DAYS IN A CALENDAR YEAR



Attendance this week

Oak	98%	2M	96%	5S	96%
Willow	98%	3S	98%	5LD	96%
1C	96%	3F	97%	6P	96%
1K	97%	4B	97%	6K	92%
2CW	98%	4P	96%	Whole School	98%

Dates for 2025/6

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st - Year 1 to 6
Parent Consultations

Friday 24th October - Flu Vaccinations

Monday 27th October to Friday - 31st October
HALF TERM

Monday 3rd November - Year 5 Swimming (2
weeks)

Tuesday 4th November - Year 3S to the
Science Museum

Wednesday 5th November - Year 3F to the
Science Museum

Friday 7th November - Individual Photos

Monday 10th and Wednesday 12th November -
Reception Parent Consultations

Monday 24th November - Friday 28th
November - Level 2 Bikeability (Year 6)

Wednesday 3rd December - 6K Class
Assembly

Friday 5th December - Christmas Fayre (after
school)

Monday 8th December - Year 4 to
Verulamium

Thursday 11th December - Year 2 to Christ
Church

Friday 19th December - End of Term 2pm
finish

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5th January - First Day Back

Wednesday 21st January - Science Workshops
for Year 5 and 6

Thursday 29th January - 2CW to the
Transport Museum

Friday 30th January - 2M to the Transport
Museum

16th February to 20th February - Half Term

Wednesday 4th March - Year 6 to St Paul's
Cathedral

Monday 9th March - Year 4 swimming (2
weeks)

Friday 27th March - Break up at 2pm

Monday 13th April - INSET Day

Tuesday 14th April - First Day of Summer Term

Thursday 16th to 17th April - Year 4 Bikeability

Wednesday 22nd April - Year 5 to the Portrait
Gallery

Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May - KS2
SATs week

Sunday 17th May to Friday 22nd May - Year 6 to
the Isle of Wight

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May - Half
Term

Monday 1st June - INSET Day

Dates for 2025/6

Autumn

Autumn 1

INSET - Monday 1st September 2025

Tuesday 2nd September to Friday 24th October

Half Term

Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October

Autumn 2

Monday 3rd November to Friday 19th December

Spring

Spring 1

Monday 5th January to Friday 13th February

Half Term

Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February

Spring 2

Monday 23rd February to Friday 27th March

Summer

Summer 1

INSET - Monday 13th April

Tuesday 14th April to Friday 22nd May

Half Term

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

Summer 2

Monday 1st June to Monday 20th July (children's last day Friday 17th July)

INSET - Monday 1st June

INSET - Friday 3rd July

INSET - Monday 20th July