MONKFRITH SCHOOL

Autumn 7 2025



Parent Consultations for Years 1 to 6

We're looking forward to welcoming you to our parent consultations next Monday and Tuesday.

These meetings are a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements. If you have not booked an appointment, then you can do so via Arbor.

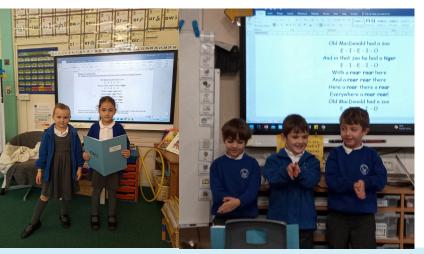
To help the sessions run smoothly and ensure that everyone has the time they need, please arrive a few minutes early if you'd like to look through your child's books before your appointment.

To help keep the environment calm and allow for meaningful conversations, we kindly ask that if you bring your child with you, they bring along a book to read during the meeting.

Thank you for your support and cooperation — we really appreciate your help in making the consultations a positive experience for everyone.



This week, the role play area in Reception has been turned into a hair salon! The children have been busy making appointments, selecting styles, and crafting their unique looks. They have been enjoying the book My Hair by Hannah Lee. Please remember to review the phonics information that will be sent home with the children today; it will help them in practicing the new concepts they have learned this



In the Year 1 the children have been working collaboratively to write their own poem based on the structure of Old MacDonald but using the knowledge that they have gained during their topic: Paws, Claws and Whiskers. They have also been comparing animals using their scientific understanding and learning about how to look after pets in their PSHE lessons. In maths, they have been finding different ways to make a number.

6P Class Assembly

Just a reminder that 6P have their class assembly next Wednesday morning at 9am. Parents are welcome - we hope you are able to join them as they share their learning so far this year.

Our Planet Protectors

Our newly appointed Planet
Protectors for this year are
Francesca and Louis (Year 6), Deniz
and Ida (Year 5), Marios and Bodhi
(Year 3), Maya and Zak (Year 4), and
Louis and Sophia (Year 2). This week
they audited the bins in school to
help us work out what needs to
happen this year to do our bit for the
environment. We are really focused
on trying to reduce our food waste
this year.





Cross Country

Well done to the children who represented Monkfrith at the Barnet Cross Country Competition on Thursday afternoon.

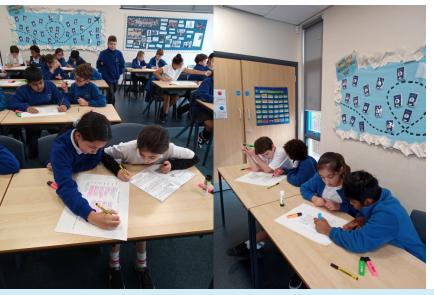
Well done to Callum, Tino, Cora and Annabel in Year 6,

Lorenzo, Reagan, Veronica and Ellie in Year 5 and Seamus,

Lara, Zak and Ayla in Year 4.

A particular well done to Reagan who placed 4th in his race and Lorenzo who came 3rd!

In **Year 2**, the children have been busy practicing the songs they are learning for the KS1 Music Festival. We are hosting one of the festivals this year—Monday, 10th November. Unfortunately, parents are not able to come along and watch, but we will share some photos afterwards, and I am sure your child has been sharing their singing with you at home! **Year 3** have been writing their non-chronological reports about sharks, and **Year 5** have been comparing lifecycles in their science lessons while also finishing their non-chronological reports about aphid-eating minibeasts and finding out about Ada Lovelace.



Year 4 are having a science-filled afternoon as I type, as they explore different states of matter. Photos to follow next week...
Year 6 have been analysing the poems, Still I Rise by Maya Angelou and Proud to Be by Peace. They are going to use this as inspiration for their own proud poem next week. The children are reaching the end of their class reader, Street Child by Berlie Doherty. If your child has enjoyed the story, then there is a sequel—Far from Home—which

follows the story of Emily and Lizzie.

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.



Congratulations to
Maxon in Year 5 who has
been selected for the
Barnet District Football
Team. He is the youngest
player in the team but
played in the Under 11s
game last weekend and
did really well!

Poppies

From the end of next week and then after half term we will be selling poppies on behalf of the Royal British Legion for Remembrance Day. You can find our Year 6 sellers at the gate in the morning on Knoll Drive and Monkfrith Way.

If you would like to buy a poppy or one of the other items (wrist bands, zip tags etc), please make sure you bring along some change.

Minimum donation £1 per item. Thank you.

Year 6 Parents - A message about secondary schools

The deadline to apply for a secondary school place is 31st October. Please make sure that you have named your schools via the online forms to the council where you pay your Council Tax. If you miss the date, you may not get allocated a place in the first round of offers. If you need any help, please let us know, and we will do what we can.





Show Racism the Red Card













EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

175

There are 175 non-schol days during the year to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and appointments.

190 school days

0 days

365 DAYS IN A CALENDAR YEAR

183 days in school

7 days absence 178 days in school

12 days absence 171 days in school

20 days absence

161 days in school 29 days

100%

96%

94%

90%

85%

GOOD

This attendance will give children the best chance of success at school. Keep it up!

WORRYING

SERIOUS CONCERN

This is the equivalent of missing a whole half term

Attendance this week

Oak	97%	2M	96%	5S	96%
Willow	97%	3S	98%	5LD	96%
1C	96%	3F	97%	6P	96%
1K	97%	4B	97%	6K	92%
2CW	99%	4P	95%	Whole School	96%

Dates for 2025/6

Autumn Term 2025

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

Wednesday 22nd October - 6P Class Assembly

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 - Invidivual Photos

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

Monday 24th November - Friiday 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

Thrusday 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 16^{th} to 17^{th} 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