MONKFRITH SCHOOL

Autumn 10 2025



The school photos are now ready. The cut off date for orders to be placed for free postage back to school is Sunday 22nd November. If you do not have your child's photo code, please contact the school office.



This week has been Anti-Bullying Week at school. On Monday we all wore odd socks to celebrate our differences. However, the focus for this year is Power for Good, and it encourages and empowers the children to do something positive. Our School Council representatives decided that they wanted to introduce the Kindness Cups, where the children can record acts of kindness. In the classroom, the children have had lessons this week on kindness, inclusion, and the role of a bystander in situations.



In Year 3, they have been continuing to papier-mâché their robot heads and writing their Iron Man character descriptions, while in Year 4 the children have been learning all about Roman pottery and how the Romans tried to invade Britain. In Year 1, the children have been writing about the planet in their English lessons. They have also started a new block of phonics, so please look out for the phonics newsletter this week.

Year 5 and 6 Dance Club

We still have a couple of spaces in our Year 5 and 6 dance club on a Tuesday. The children are just about to start practicing their dance for the Barnet Dance Festival, so it is a great time to come along and get involved. It runs on a Tuesday after school (until 4:30 PM) and is free of charge. The Dance Festival is one of my favorite days of the year - it is lovely to join with other schools across Barnet to showcase talent and enthusiasm. If your child would be interested in joining, then please just email the Office.



It was lovely to host the first Barnet Infant Music Festival this week. 180 other children from Ashmole and Osidge joined our Year 2 to sing a variety of songs structured around the story, Giraffes Can't Dance. Ros, who runs the festivals, was really complimentary about the children's enthusiasm for music, singing, and dancing after the morning. In Reception, they have been reading the book, This Is Our House by Michael Rosen, and using it as inspiration in the role play area. In Year 5, the children completed their two weeks of swimming with some lifesaving skills today. The children have done so well, and the swimming instructors have been very positive about the children's attitude and behavior during the sessions. Thank you to all the parents who have supported with the endless washing of costumes and towels and to those who were able to come along to help. It is really appreciated. This morning, as part of Children in Need, all the classes took part in the Joe Wicks Live Workout at 9:30 AM. We will share how much we have raised next week.

Spring Term Music Lessons

If you would like to sign your Y1 - Y6 child up for group recorder lessons in the Spring term please email the Monkfrith office by Friday 28th November.

For BEAT music lessons, there is no set deadline, places will be allocated based on availability. Please visit https://beatrust.org.uk/learn-to-play/school-based-tuition/ where you will be able to register an account and apply for lessons.

If your child is already having lessons via BEAT, please look out for an email regarding payment details for the new term. You do not need to re-enrol.

For guitar and ukulele lessons please contact Ross Hughes on therosshughes@gmail.com



Football

It is that time of year when our Boys and Girls" Football Teams start playing. On Tuesday, the Monkfrith boys' football team played in their first league match against Danegrive. Despite all the efforts and determination of the team, we ended up losing 3-1. The way that they played looked promising for future games and Miss Pierides and all the spectators were very proud and amazed by our talented team. Special congratulations to our players' player Callum. Some of our Girls' Football Team were selected to play at the Barnet Football Tournament on Thursday. The girls played well and dominated large portions of every game. It was a great start their first league match is next week.





FOMS Quiz Night 2025 tonight!

A reminder that our annual Quiz Night is at 7:30pm this evening!

It's always a great laugh and we'd love to see as many of you there as possible. Tickets are available on Classlist, or you can just grab them at the door when you arrive.

♣Christmas Event: Tickets available on Classlist! ▲

Monkfrith Magical Merryland is happening on Friday 5th December 3:30-6pm! There will be plenty of fun, food, and festive cheer. Join us for an afternoon filled with magical moments for the whole family. Prebook tickets to participate in Santa's Grotto, Santa's workshop and Elfridges.

Christmas Card Orders

For anyone who missed the Christmas card order deadline - good news! The shop will be reopening from 21st to 28th November, giving you another chance to place your orders. If you have any questions, please email friendsofmonkfrithschool@gmail.com.



Dates for 2025/6

Autumn Term 2025

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

Wednesday 3rd December - 6K Class Assembly

Friday 5th December - Monkfrith Magical Merryland (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

Class Assemblies this half term

Wednesday 18th November at 9am - 4B Wednesday 26th November at 9am - 4P Wednesday 3rd December at 9am - 6K

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