

MONKFRITH SCHOOL

Autumn 11 2025



Christmas Jumper Donations

Thank you to those of you who have already brought in a Christmas jumper for the Planet Protector Sale on Thursday 27th November. There is still plenty of time to get involved. If you have a jumper that you have grown out of but would be good for someone else, please bring it in and give it to the class Planet Protector (or the Office).

In Reception, they have begun practicing their singing ready for the Nativity in December, as well as building a campfire in the role play area and learning about nocturnal animals. Year 1 has been reading the story of Beegu this week. They then acted it out using puppets and drew a story map about the main events. Year 2 has been using the story maps they drew after reading Paddington to write letters about when he arrived in London.



In Year 3, the children have been learning about different joints and how to make them ready for the next step of their Iron Man mask construction. In their PSHE lessons, they have been learning about rules and laws and why we have them.

If your child has signed up to take part in Year 6 Bikeability please make sure that they have their helmet and bike with them on Monday morning. They can wear leggings or tracksuit bottoms and trainers (usual uniform on top) for the 5 days to make it easier. Your child can leave their bike at school over the week (they will bring them into the building at the end of the day) if that makes it a bit easier.

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's 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.

This week some of our children in Year 5 and 6 have been taking part in the Primary Mathematics Challenge. This is inter school competition for children aged 9 to 11. We have submitted our results and will find out how we get on in the New Year!



On Wednesday 4B shared their learning so far this year with their parents (and KS2). The children spoke clearly and confidently, and it was lovely to see their enthusiasm shine through. In the classroom, Year 4 has been writing speeches in role as Boudicca and continuing to develop their understanding of Roman poetry. In Year 5, they are learning about Ancient Egypt and have been looking at hieroglyphics and how we can use these to find out about their customs and culture. Year 6 has been writing from the perspective of passengers on the Titanic, thinking about different styles of formal and informal writing.

As the weather turns colder and children are coming in with hats, scarves and gloves please remember to name them so if they are lost or left somewhere we can help return them!

Across all the classes, they have started their contributions to our whole school Christmas display. Each class has a specific part of work on which will contribute to the final effect. When you are in school in December for the Monkfrith Magical Merryland or a concert or performance, have a look in the hall!



BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents and Carers

A comprehensive training and support programme for parents/carers of children aged 6-19, with a diagnosis of Autism.

This course is available free of charge to families living in Barnet.

A 5 or 6-session online training course, covering topics including: An overview of what it means for your child to be Autistic; Communication; Sensory needs; Understanding emotional regulation/'behaviour'.

For more information, click [here](#).

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



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🎄 **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.



**THANK
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Deloitte.

We have some exciting news to share! Our school has been the recipient of 50 refurbished HP laptops, donated by Deloitte through their Social Impact programme. This contribution was made possible following a nomination by one of their employees, who is also a parent within our school community.

These laptops will enhance the learning tools available to our students, providing access to digital resources and fostering essential skills. We are very grateful to Deloitte for their commitment to supporting education and to the parents in our community for championing our school.

Dates for 2025/6

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 24th November - Friday 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

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5th January - First Day Back

Wednesday 14th January - 5S Class Assembly

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

Tuesday 27th January - Year 6 Magistrates Workshop

Thursday 29th January - 2CW to the Transport Museum

Friday 30th January - 2M to the Transport Museum

Wednesday 4th February - Year 4 to the Science Museum

Monday 9th February to Friday 13th February - Children's Mental Health Week

16th February to 20th February - Half Term

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

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

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

Friday 13th March - Barnet Dance Festival

Thursday 26th/Friday 27th March - Year to Tolmers Residential

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

Wednesday 20th May - Year 5LD Class Assembly

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

Monday 1st June - INSET Day

Wednesday 10th June - 2M Class Assembly

Friday 12th June - Class Photo Day

Wednesday 17th June - 2CW Class Assembly