

Dear Parent

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a fabulous Christmas Holiday and a lovely New Year! We warmly welcome all of our new families to life at Monkleigh School. We look forward to you and your family being part of our Monkleigh Family. Welcome back to families who already have children in the unit or who have younger children starting with us. Welcome back to all of our wonderful Caterpillars and Butterflies. It's been an incredible first few days. Everyone has settled well and are ready to continue on their learning journey.

We are looking forward to an exciting term of learning. Our FSU curriculum page on the Monkleigh School Website has a number of informative links. Please visit the link below for the Parent Information Booklet and other supporting documents. You will also find a blog which is updated weekly and shows the most up to date learning and experiences that have been on offer:

<https://www.monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/classes/class-r>

The links on FSU Curriculum Page give an overview of the learning which will take place each week for Caterpillars and Butterflies. The overview provides information about key books that we will be reading and songs that we will be learning. There is a section which shows possible, experiences, visits and visitors. We are already looking forward to visits from Torrington Dental Practice, a Police Inspector, a nurse and firefighter this term. You can find the detailed overviews here:

Caterpillars

https://www.monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/images/Spring_1_Caterpillars_Fairy_Tales.pdf

Butterflies

[https://www.monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/images/Spring_1_Butterflies_Overview_Traditional Tales updated Dec2022 1.pdf](https://www.monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/images/Spring_1_Butterflies_Overview_Traditional_Tales_updated_Dec2022_1.pdf)

Please ensure that the children have coats, full waterproofs, wellies and a change of clothes in school every day. They will also need to bring their book bag and water bottle into school every day.

Jodie and Nikki work with the Caterpillar Class every day. Mrs Kingdon works with the Butterfly class every day. Mrs Emptage teaches the Butterflies on a Monday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Hinchliffe teaches the Butterflies on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

All children in FSU take part in a PE lesson on a Monday – please ensure Butterflies are wearing full PE kit and that Caterpillars are wearing something comfortable and suitable for PE. Butterflies and Caterpillars take part in outdoor learning on a Thursday afternoon, they can wear old clothes to school on Thursdays.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us via dojo.

We look forward to an exciting and successful year for all of your children.

Yours Sincerely

The FSU Team

