



Monkleigh Primary School - Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

From the Headteacher

Welcome back to the start of the summer term, though I think someone may need to remind the weather that this is the SUMMER term! Let's hope it warms up soon.

The summer term is always a busy one with lots of trips, sporting activities, residentials, SATs etc so I am sure it will be a great term and fly by.

B and T club

Just a quick reminder that B and T is now in two locations with the FSU wrap around provision now based in FSU and the rest of the school in class 2 as normal. There is normally (depending on numbers) only one member of staff with each group therefore they cannot keep coming to the gate to let children in, staff will be at the gate for the start of Breakfast club at 8am to let children in and then will be in school running the club with the children. If you do happen to be late you will have to wait for another member of staff arriving to let your child in. The same applies at the end of the tea club when all children will be bought out just before 4:30pm for collection. If on occasions you need a different collection time please do give us a ring and we will try and accommodate this.

Thank you

School uniform

The school uniform for school and PE is all listed on the website, please ensure that your child is in the correct uniform for school/PE. We will be checking uniforms and ensuring everyone looks smart and ready for the day at school. Please do get in touch if you have any problems with this. Please remember if children are wearing earrings these need to be flat studs and these need to be removed for P.E and swimming.

Forest School

We are very pleased to welcome Hannah Craxton to our Monkleigh Team. Mrs Craxton will be taking over the running of our Forest School. Mrs Craxton has already started this week and the children have been enjoying some great sessions. She will also take over the uptake of the site and the important job of growing some lovely produce to use in our kitchen. Mrs Craxton is a fully qualified Forest school leader and I am sure will be an asset to the school.

Reading

I will be putting some inspirational quotes on Dojo now and then to help inspire us all to help our children to become the best they can be, particularly with their reading. There is so much great stuff that I know lots of you already do that helps your children in so many ways and it is sometimes good to know the

difference this makes or to remind us of the little things we can do at home that maybe we don't do, really make a difference.

Here is the first one that will also go onto Dojo.

Experts in literacy and child development have discovered that if children know eight nursery rhymes by heart by the time they're four years old, they're usually among the best readers by the time they're eight."

Karen Reeves

Attendance...

Class average for this week:

Butterflies: 99.04%; Class 1: 93.27%; Class 2: 96.43%; Class 3: 96.97%

School average for this week: 96.12%; this term: 96.12%; this academic year: 96.08%

Sport

Please remember PE shoes every day, a dry pair of socks and full PE kit for any after school sports clubs. Any questions please dojo or message me sport@monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk

Class 3

I have organised a meeting regarding our class residential to London. This meeting will go through the itinerary of the trip as well as the clothes and items needed.

The meeting will be on the 29th of April at 3.45pm. Pupils are welcome to stay with you.

Many thanks Mr Stevens

Dates for your diary:

Some dates may be subject to change - Keep checking on each newsletter!

Mon 22 nd April	Butterflies trip All clubs start this week – still spaces to book please do this via ParentMail
Tue 23 rd April	Tempest Photography Class Photos
Thu 25 th April	Swimming class 2 year 4's
Tue 30 th April	FGB meeting
Wed 1 st May	RNLI Beach assembly
Thu 2 nd May	Swimming class 2 year 4's
Fri 3 rd May	Butterflies trip