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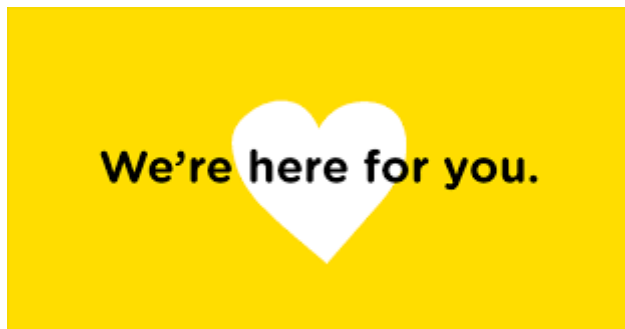
Dear Parents, Carers and Children,



Following on from yesterday's news we now know that things will continue as they are into early March at the earliest. I think we can all agree that all of us would have loved to have had all our children back in school but sadly that cannot happen...yet. I realise this may cause additional anxiety to parents/carers perhaps wondering about the impact of their child not attending school for this period. Perhaps I can allay your fears somewhat.

DO NOT
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OR LOSS
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I want to thank all the parents/carers at home for their fantastic support with the home schooling; be assured that the work that your children are sending back into us is amazing. Know that the work that your children are doing at home is exactly the same as that being carried out in school. Teachers and TA's are keeping all the work that has been sent in, at the top end of school electronically and in KS 1 and lower KS2 it is printed off and put into their books so when all the children return their books and learning should be largely similar. Any gaps we will quickly identify on their return and we will work to fill these gaps as quickly as possible.



Although the children's learning is very important, more so is their happiness and mental well-being, and your sanity; so if you or your children are having a tough day at home just do what you can and don't worry, send us a message and we will do all we can to support.

Remember your child can come on to the daily zoom session and the class teacher can explain a task to your child and help.

We now know this is going to continue for a while longer so do not worry, do what you can and we will be here to get children back on track if needed when they return. You're doing a great job, as long as we have happy, healthy children returning in March (or whenever) we can work with that.

Mrs Tolson will have been in touch with all our families at home by the end of this week and will do the same every week; hopefully this is useful and supportive to you.

Again, I want to thank you for the amazing job you are doing at home, I know it is tough and I know many of you could have requested a place at school and haven't and are trying to work from home and juggling home schooling and I thank you. Also, a big thank you to our critical workers whose jobs are vital to get us through this pandemic.

We do miss having our Monkleigh family together but we are here for you and will do all we can to help and support you through this.

With my very best wishes - *Karen Reeves* (Head Teacher)

FSU - If your child is coming into school, please remember to send them in with a fruit snack and their wellies and waterproofs. Please do contact us if you need anything.
Take Care - The FSU team

Class 1 Parents - Don't forget! At 12pm everyday, there is a story time on zoom and a chance for you to ask any questions or get any support with home learning. For those children at school, please make sure they bring in a healthy snack every day On Thursdays, children can come to school in PE kit, and bring outdoor learning clothes, wellies and water proofs for the afternoon. No uniform needed.



CLASS NEWS

REMEMBER TO BRING A COAT EVERY DAY



Class 2 The daily zoom meetings are set up for 9.15 to 10.00am whilst the children in school in class 2 are out doing their P.E. Please use this time to ask anything that you are not sure about the school work, or you can message via dojo and Mrs Mayhew or I will answer as soon as we can.



For those children in school, you can come to school in PE kit on Fridays with outdoor learning clothes, wellies and coat for the afternoon - no Uniform needed.

Class 3 A reminder that I'm available on zoom between 11 and 12 on any weekday. Thanks for your support and cooperation! Mr Sussex

Please can all children in school have a change of shoes for PE.

Once again thank you for your news about how you are exercising, horse riding, cycling, walking and running. We love to see your pictures!



We have an exciting challenge ahead leading us into half term break. News of this event involving everyone, parents, carers and staff will be posted on dojo on Monday morning 😊 Take care.

FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL (Key worker/Critical children)

- Tuesday - FSU need waterproofs and boots for the afternoon in the garden.
- Thursday - Class 1 can come to School in PE clothes with boots and coats for the afternoon outdoor session. No School uniform is needed.
- Friday - Class 2 can come to School in PE clothes with boots and coats for outdoor learning. No School uniform is needed.

Any questions? Please find me or contact me at.sport@monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk

B&T CLUB

"B" Club (8:00 drop off) - £4.00 (We are still unable to offer food at this time)
"T" Club has stopped until further notice

School Dinners

We're pleased to be able to offer children in school a hot dinner at lunchtime. Take a look at our reduced menu during lockdown.

Week One		
11 Jan, 1 Feb		
Mon	Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	On the side:
	Jacket Potato with Cheese	And for dessert:
	Jacket Potato with Beans	Choice on the day
Tue	Vegetarian Pizza with Wedges	On the side:
	Jacket Potato with Cheese	And for dessert:
	Jacket Potato with Beans	Choice on the day
Wed	Tuna Pasta Bake with sweetcorn	On the side:
	Jacket Potato with Cheese	And for dessert:
	Jacket Potato with Beans	Choice on the day
Thu	Hot Dog	On the side:
	Jacket Potato with Cheese	And for dessert:
	Jacket Potato with Beans	Choice on the day
Fri	Traditional Fish & Chips	On the side:
	Jacket Potato with Cheese	And for dessert:
	Jacket Potato with Beans	Choice on the day

Choose the pudding of the day or fresh fruit or yoghurt will be available ☺

FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday Afternoons	Mrs Tolson to contact home schooling families in Class 1
Tuesday Afternoons (For children in school)	FSU need waterproofs and boots for the garden.
Wednesday Afternoons	Mrs Tolson to contact home schooling families in Class 2
Thursdays - Class 1 (For children in school)	Class 1 can come to School in PE clothes with boots and coats for the afternoon outdoor session. No School uniform is needed on this day.
Thursday Afternoons	Mrs Tolson to contact home schooling families in Class 3
Fridays - Class 2 (For children in school)	Class 2 can come to School in PE clothes with boots and coats for outdoor learning. No School uniform is needed on this day.
Mon 15 th - Fri 19 th Feb	February half term holidays

You may be interested in this:

Cygnets – Parent autism awareness programme invite (Spring 2021)

The programme is for parents/carers of Devon school children aged between 7 and 18 pre or post autism diagnosis. An invitation letter was sent via Parentmail along with the newsletter on 14th Jan.

6 weekly sessions (approx. 2hrs each) related to the following topic/themes:

No.	Topic	Release date
1	Introduction	Mon 22 nd February
2	Autism overview	Mon 1 st March
3	Sensory	Mon 8 th March
4	Communication	Mon 15 th March
5	Understanding behaviour	Mon 22 nd March
6	Supporting behaviour	Mon 29 th March
