



Monkleigh Primary Newsletter

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Friday 20th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

From the Headteacher

B and T

Please don't forget to book in for our exciting B and T events coming up:

B&T Bingo 30th January - book by 9am 27th Jan

B&T Film Club 27th March

Mrs Mash

Many of our families that have been with us a little longer will remember with much fondness our previous Kitchen Manager - Mrs Mash (Mrs Sharon Nash). I felt that many of you would like to know that Mrs Mash sadly passed away a short time ago. We will be representing the school at her funeral and will pass on any details when we get them to anyone who would like to know.

High Five

Well done to our High Five team who did a great job representing the school at a competition at GTS and good luck to our football team who will be playing next week.

Strike action

I am sure you will have heard that there is the potential for school disruption due to strike action.

I am not anticipating this will affect Monkleigh School at all.

School staff did want to make it clear that they did not feel it was right to disrupt the schooling for our children, that this was not fair on them. Though obviously everyone would like more money we would not strike over this.

However we all felt strongly that the message actually needs to be that schools need more funding to support our children, the Government have recently given a small pay rise to school staff but have not funded this, it has come out of the schools budget, school staff feel very strongly that this is wrong as it impacts the money we have to spend on our children. We also feel that the support from outside agencies and for SEN is not acceptable and that schools are being asked to do more and more with less and less money.

As always we will continue to provide what we feel is outstanding teaching, learning, care and support for your children and do all we can for all children and families despite the situation.

School will not close for strike action.

Karen Reeves

Attendance so far...

Class average for this week:

Butterflies: 77%; Class 1: 95.67%; Class 2: 95%; Class 3: 96.33%

School average for the week: 93.85%

School average for the term so far: 94.85%

From Mrs Beer in the Office

FSU - 30hr funding - are you entitled to 30 hrs funding? (*Remember, it's your responsibility to reconfirm your code!*)

Devon County Council - School Transport Consultation

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Clubs - Spring term

<u>Club</u>	<u>Day of week</u>	<u>Year Groups</u>	<u>Limit</u>
Tag Rugby	Mondays	Years 1-6	N/A
Gardening Club	Tuesdays	Years 3-6	10
Football club	Wednesdays	Years 1-6	N/A
Indoor Board Games	Thursdays	Years 1-6	20

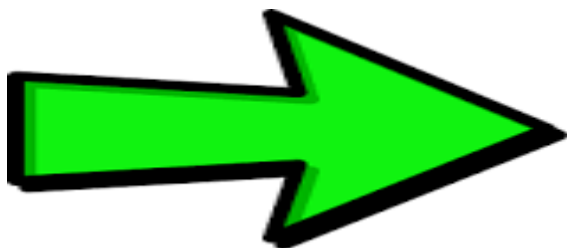
Clubs commenced this week. All clubs run until 4pm. **Don't forget to book siblings into T Club if required.**

Class 2/3 Residentials - Please keep on top of the instalments. Skern final payment due today.

Forest School

Great news!

We have achieved our first award with the Woodland Trust. The children have completed the following: ordering trees from them, planting the trees and recycling.



FSU Butterflies every Thursday afternoon.
Class 1, 2 & 3 every Friday.
Please remember that all children need to wear long sleeved tops, full length trousers and hair tied back. Ideally waterproofs and wellies, this will keep them dry. The children also need their school uniform to change back into after Forest School. Any questions regarding Forest school please message Mrs Hobbs via dojo.



Sport: - Please remember PE shoes everyday, a dry pair of socks and full PE kit for any after school sports clubs.

Our High 5 team had an amazing morning at GTS finishing 4th. Good luck Monday to our Football team.

Hope our Year 3 & 4 Flashmob dojo clips put a smile on your faces! We had such fun making those up and trying to keep them a secret.

Lots of events are coming up, please keep checking Dojo.

Any questions please dojo or message me sport@monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk

Dates for your diary:

Mon 23 Jan	Yr 5/6 Football
Fri 27 Jan	9am - Deadline for booking Bingo event (ParentMail Shop) <i>(book via Shop - this is separate to normal B&T Club - cancel T Club booking if nec.)</i>
Mon 30 Jan	B&T Club Special event - BINGO
Wed 1 Feb	Deadline for next round of nursery admissions Exmoor Zoo visit to school
Mon 6 Feb	Burton Art Gallery Workshop - Class 1
Thu 9 Feb	Skern Lodge Residential -Class 2
Fri 10 Feb	Skern Lodge Residential - Class 2
13-17 Feb	Half term
Mon 20 Feb	School re-opens Burton Art Gallery Workshop - Class 3
Wed 22 Feb	Edukid call
Mon 27 Feb	Butterflies trip
Tue 14 Mar	Butterflies trip
Fri 17 Mar	9am - Deadline for booking B&T Club Film event (ParentMail Shop) <i>(book via Shop - this is separate to normal B&T Club - cancel T Club booking if nec.)</i>
Mon 20 Mar	Butterflies art trip
Sat 25 Mar	Gymnastics competition
Mon 27 Mar	B&T Club Special event - Film Club

Historical Extracts (taken from the old School Logbooks)

1969 - Jan 16 th	<i>(Teacher) brought (a child) across to show him smothered in German Measles, quite the most acute dose I have ever seen in 23 years .</i>
1978 - Jan 18 th	<i>Heavy snow and severe frost overnight. No school buses, only very few away. Secondary children away and were a pestulent nuisance around the school throwing snowballs at the children</i>
1999 - Jan 18 th	<i>Building work commenced to construct a new classroom and convert present classroom into Indoor Toilets</i>
2001 - Jan 24 th	<i>Friends of the School meeting. The main item discussed was the development of the playground - again!</i>
2013 - Jan 30 th	<i>Mr Sussex went to GTS to learn songs for The Big Sing</i>