



This is Monkleigh

## Monkleigh Primary School - Newsletter

**Friday 21st April 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers

**From the Headteacher**

Welcome back to the summer term, always a busy one in the school calendar, we have already got lots of trips and activities planned so have a look at the dates for your diary section and more details will follow later.

### **Coronation**

We would like to mark the coronation happening on the 6th May. Therefore on the 5th may children can come to school dressed in red white and blue if they would like. Children will be able to make a crown at school and we would like to do a lunchtime party on the field. Children bring in a special coronation packed lunch and we all sit together on the field or playground in crowns to eat our lunch (A form will be sent home if you would rather order a school packed lunch).

Then from 2pm onwards parents can come and join us outside, we will have a cake stall and be selling ice creams. Please could we ask for donations of cakes into school on Thursday or Friday morning - we will give a prize to the best coronation cake! You can take your children home from the field after letting a member of staff know.

Please come and join us to celebrate this historic event and we are excited to see the coronation cakes or even a coronation quiche perhaps!

*Karen Reeves*

### **Attendance...**

***Class average for this week:***

***Butterflies: \*100%\*; Class 1: 99.17%; Class 2: 96.09%; Class 3: 95%;***

***School average for the week: 97.06% School average for the term: 97.06%***

***School average for the school year: 94.55%***

### **From the Office:**

**Medicines** - It is parents' responsibility to ensure that any meds held in school are correct / in date etc. If you need to supply more meds (inhalers / epipens etc.) please ensure that new paperwork accompanies the medication in question. Forms that are held in school need to be signed for any medication that has been returned to you.

**Dinners** - Please try to avoid ordering dinners and also sending packed lunches in. Food costs have rocketed in recent months, and we are doing our best to keep within our budget - we don't want to be buying ingredients that are then wasted. Thank you for your understanding.

**Payments to school** - a further request that any payments are bulked together into as few transactions as possible please. Thank you to those who are doing this - it results in less transaction fees, and enables us to keep our costs to you as low as possible.

To remind you of the sort of fees that we incur:

School Meals	1 @ £2.40	£ 2.40 paid (card)	Charges £0.38	School receives	<b>£ 2.02</b>
School Meals	5 @ £2.40	£12.00 paid (card)	Charges £0.38	School receives	<b>£11.62</b>
School Meals	23 @ £2.40	£55.20 paid (paypal)	Charges £1.04	School receives	<b>£54.16</b>

Paying for 1 meal at a time results in a lot less coming to school, and more going to ParentMail. We want to keep costs to you as low as possible but we do need to keep a close eye on the income.

To add numerous weeks' meals (& other items) to your basket (via the app):

1. Accounts
2. School Meals
3. Select date
4. Select meals for that week
5. Pay now
6. Review / confirm choices (this will take you to the basket)
7. Close the basket
8. This will take you back to the calendar - repeat steps 3-7 until you have added everything you want to
9. Once all "shopping" has been completed (including trip payments / B&T Club etc.) go to Checkout (there will be no charge for meals if entitled to FSM or UIFSM)

**School Council** - Our Easter Raffle raised **£219.81**!! Thank you 😊

**Forest School** - 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.**

**Workout Wednesdays - every week - children to come to school in PE kit - school uniform not needed.**

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

Any questions please dojo or message me [sport@monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:sport@monkleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)

### ***Historical extracts taken from the old School Logbooks***

5th April 1957 I visited Frithelstock school this morning to make preliminary arrangements with the Acting Headmistress about the proposed amalgamation of the two schools. April 8th - Mr Blackburn visited school this afternoon to make further enquiries and arrangements concerning the move to Frithelstock.

## Dates for your diary:

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

Mon 24 Apr	Burton Art visit to FSU
Wed 26 Apr	RNLi visit to school After-School Football Club commences
Thu 27 Apr	Swimming lesson (Year 4s)
Fri 28 Apr	New Reception starters tour and visit
Mon 1 May	Public Holiday (School closed)
Tue 2 May	National Childhood Measurement Programme (Yrs R & 6)
Thu 4 May	Swimming lesson (Year 4s)
Fri 5 May	Butterflies Torrington trip Coronation Day celebrations - wear <b>Red, White &amp; Blue</b> - cake competition
Mon 8 May	Public Holiday - Coronation (School Closed)
9-12 May	KS2 SATS
Thu 11 May	Class 1 RHS Rosemoor Trip Swimming lesson (Year 4s)
Mon 15 May	Butterflies Fremington Quay visit
Thu 18 May	Summer Census (please can as many Yr R, 1, 2 as possible have a school dinner today?)  Swimming lesson (Year 4s)
Fri 19 May	Yr 6 - Devon County Show
Wed 24 May	Full Governing Body meeting
Thu 25 May	Butterflies Instow trip Swimming lesson (Year 4s)
Fri 26 May	Non-School Uniform - Rock-Star theme Break-up for May half term - back to school Mon 5 Jun
Mon 5 Jun	After School Sports Club   (Butterflies / Years 1/2) commences
5 - 7 Jun	Class 3 residential (PGL)
Mon 12 Jun	Leavers / Sports team photos
Tue 13 Jun	Butterflies Northam Burrows trip
Wed 14 Jun	After School Sports Club   (KS2) commences
Mon 19 Jun	FSU sponsored event (provisional)
Fri 23 Jun	Sports Day
Mon 26 Jun	GTS Year 6 Transition (to Thu 29 Jun) FSU Sports Day
Wed 28 Jun	Full Governing Body meeting
Thu 29 Jun	Bideford College Year 6 Transition (to Fri 30 Jun) Monkleigh Transition Day New Butterflies Parents Information event
Mon 3 Jul	Yr 6 - Bideford Blues (TBC)
Thu 6 Jul	Monkleigh's Got Talent auditions
Fri 7 Jul	Rounders festival (Winkleigh)
Mon 10 Jul	Butterflies Monkleigh walkaround Yr 6 - Bike ride  (provisional)
Fri 14 Jul	Caterpillars (leavers) trip
w/c 17 Jul	%Attendance reports / letters out
Wed 19 Jul	Full Governing Body meeting
thu 20 Jul	Whole School Trip (TBC)
Fri 21 Jul	FOMS / Village Hall village fete on school field
Mon 24 Jul	Butterflies Leavers' Assembly Year 6 bowling
Tue 25 Jul	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly Family Picnic