



Monkleigh Primary Newsletter

A PLACE TO SMILE, A PLACE TO SHARE, A PLACE TO SUCCEED



Friday 11th June 2021

Dear Parents,

From the Headteacher

MNDA fundraiser – a total of £162.89 was raised in school on the last Friday before the half term break. This has been paid into the just giving fundraising site, bringing the current total to £643!

Thank you so much for all your kind donations. I know Mr Ellis and his family were very touched and grateful that we carried out this fundraiser.

[Parent/Carer Questionnaire](#) - Please click on the link to complete the parent/carer questionnaire. Thank you. The form will be live until noon on Tuesday 29th June – the results will then be collated and shared with the school Governors the following week. We really appreciate and value your feedback.

We are very sad to say that after 35 years of loyalty, hard work and service to the school **Mrs Riddell**, our Meal Time Assistant has decided to hang up her apron and take her well-earned retirement. Mrs Riddell has been a part of Monkleigh for an amazing amount of time and will be very much missed.

If you would like to donate any money to her leaving present, please do send in a donation in a marked envelope to your class teacher.

Thank you.

School reports - Your child/children's school reports will be emailed out to you this afternoon. If you would like to discuss anything about the report please contact the class teacher via Dojo and they will set up a zoom meeting.

Sports Day - After much discussion in school about the viability of a sports day we have decided that as things are still in the air we would once again go for something different this year.

We are therefore going to have a sports week, the week of the 12th July, the children will take part in a range of events over the week all of which will be scored for their team and the winning team will be announced on Friday.

It will be a great fun filled, but competitive week! More details to follow.

Fish & Chip Fridays - To make things more manageable for Mrs Mayo who will be in the kitchen on her own on a Friday fish and chips will continue to be served in a bag (which the children love) however beans in the bag leads to a soggy mess! So all children will be offered salad as a side to their meal instead.

Karen Reeves

☆ **"STARS OF THE WEEK"** ☆

Caterpillars	-	Jack
Butterflies	-	Ozzy
Class 1	-	Erin
Class 3	-	Ruari

COVID - Do not send your child to school if they are displaying any symptoms of COVID:

(New persistent cough, or High Temperature, or Loss of smell/taste). You will need to get a COVID test – siblings of a child displaying symptoms will also need to isolate until a negative test result is received.

In line with our guidance – if we need to send a child home with any of the aforementioned symptoms, we will also need to send home any siblings.

Our most up to date COVID Risk Assessment / information can be found [here](#).

From the Office

Please remember to keep on top of booking dinners and B&T Club. A reminder that the school gets charged for each transaction made within ParentMail. If possible, please add everything to your basket (for more than 1 child if nec.) before checking out – it will help reduce the amount we get charged.

ParentMail forms – we have now stopped using them, and are using Microsoft forms instead. We would recommend that you make use of the ‘save’ or ‘print’ option that you are given as you will then have a record of what you have submitted. Please help us out by completing forms that are sent to you as soon as you can – sadly we have to chase parents quite a lot for essential information.

Office hours are currently 08:00 - 16:00 Mon; 08:00-12:00 Tue; 08:00-14:30 Wed, Thu, Fri.

Class 3 News *Class 3 children need to come to school in their PE kit on Wednesdays.*

- Remember that the year 6s are on their Time to Shine bike ride next Friday. Get those bikes ready!
- Residential update: to try and make up for the children missing out on London this year, I have organised 3 days of local fun between the 7th and 9th July. Information will come out next week.
- Year 6 parents/carers – at last Mrs Beer has managed to get the required information regarding refunds. A form will be sent out for you to provide details that will be sent to county – it will then take a week to 10 days for the money to hit your account. For simplicity we will be refunding all money received and treating the fun days (7-9 July) as separate trips.
- Please keep bringing in those toilet/kitchen rolls please, we need as many as possible.

Class 2 News *Fridays – Class 2 come to school in PE kit*

Class 1 News *Thursdays – Class 1 come to school in PE kit*

FSU News *Mondays – FSU need their PE kits – please wear kit to school.*

The Parents of Younger Caterpillars – those who will still be Caterpillars in September have been invited to sign up for a Parents Meeting (via Zoom) between 1:00 – 2:30 on Monday 21st June.

A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Babb for making us a wonderful new mud kitchen. The children are thrilled with it and are having great fun playing with it!

Sport *Please remember a change of shoes for PE every day.* *Thank You.*

This year we have decided to hold a sports week. This will take place week commencing 12th July. Each day, all pupils will take part in a challenge earning themselves points (and stickers!) P.E kit can be worn all week and we will post daily pictures to keep all up to date.

Monday 12th - Lane run

Tuesday 13th - Tennis

Wednesday 14th - High 5

Thursday 15th - Throwing

Friday 16th - Track Races

All of these events will be made suitable for all year groups and we are looking forward to a week of fun!

For Your Diary

Fri 18 June	Year 6 "Time to Shine" bike ride
22-25 June	Year 6 GTS Transition
Thu 24 June	Class 2 Tennis (Note – change of date!)
Thu 24 June	Younger Caterpillars teacher/parent meetings (TBC)
Thu 1 July	Class 3 Tennis
1 & 2 July	Year 6 Bideford College Transition
Fri 2 July	Year 5 Taster Day at GTS
w/c 12 July	Sports Week - more details to follow
Wed 21 July	Year 6 Ten Pin Bowling

Pupil Welfare - We would appreciate donations of any of the following miniature toys/objects please:

People (domestic, military, fantasy, mythological); **Buildings** (houses, schools, churches, castles); **Animals** (tame, wild, zoo, prehistoric, marine); **Vehicles** (land, air, water, space, war machines); **Vegetation** (trees, shrubs, plants, flowers); **Structures** (bridges, fences, gates, walls); **Natural objects** (shells, stones, driftwood, bark); **Symbolic Objects** (Wishing wells, treasure chests, trophies, jewels, goblets)

Thank you, Mrs Tolson

FOMS - The AGM will be held before the end of term (TBC) - we are still looking for someone who is interested in being the treasurer please, as this will post will need to be filled before the end of term.

B&T Club - Please book 8 days in advance please using the "**Accounts**" option within ParentMail. Please ensure that children attending B Club arrive at **8am**. Due to there still being no firm guidance regarding when we can start to mix bubbles, we have now scheduled sessions B Club up to Friday 25th June – we will add T Club too as soon as we are able (We will temporarily change the booking window if necessary).

DINNERS - The weekly menu can be found [here](#). A reminder that bookings need to be made 8 days in advance. Meals can be cancelled / amended within the set timescale. If you miss the deadline, you can **phone the office before 2pm on a Friday** and Mrs Beer will update the register for the following week.

Fridays – Fish & Chips – please note that salad will be served alongside the Fish & Chips on Fridays (not as shown on the ParentMail choices)