



Monkleigh Primary Newsletter

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Friday 7th January 2022

Dear Parents,

From the Headteacher

Happy New Year and welcome back to the new Term at School.

I hope you have all had a good Christmas and New Year and all ready and looking forward to 2022.

As I seem to have said so many times already, we are hopeful that this term will be as near normal as possible.

However the dreaded covid is still with us and we have to continue to manage it to the best of our ability. Our main priority is keeping everyone safe and well, but also to keep the school open and the same high level of education for all our children. We would therefore ask you to keep following all the same measures, if your child is unwell keep them off school and carry out an lft and/or pcr test. We do need to reduce the spread of the virus as much as possible so that we do not have too many children and staff off school. We do already have a child and a staff member off school waiting PCR results so we do need to keep vigilant so that school can continue as near normally as possible.

Thank you, as always for your ongoing support with this.

SEN/ WELFARE Support TA

Mrs Martha Kingdon will start the month as our new SEN and welfare TA. Mrs Kingdon will initially be based in the FSU in the mornings working on interventions and SEN referrals, in the afternoons Mrs Kingdon will take on the emotional, social and wellbeing role that Mrs Tolson previously did. She will be working with children across the whole school and will liaise closely with parents to support those children who just need a little extra TLC.

Walking bus – reminder that there is a [form](#) to complete if new to using this (or if you need to make any changes)

☆ **"STARS OF THE WEEK"** ☆

Caterpillars	Butterflies	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
!!	CHECK	NEXT	WEEK	!!

From the Office Please complete this [online form](#) informing us of any positive COVID tests (both LFT & PCR please)

Absences – if your child is ill please do not send a Dojo message to Mrs Reeves – in the first instance please try phoning the office (01805 623269) or as a last resort contact their class teacher. Thank you for your understanding.

FSU

We are planning a trip to Torrington Library later in the month – a separate email will be going out to FSU. Please could you complete [this form](#) by noon on Monday 17th Jan to help us plan? Thank you.

Sport

Class 1 - Monday - Please come to school in PE kit with waterproofs and boots

Class 2 - Friday - Please come to school in Forest School Clothes with school uniform to change into.

Class 3 - Wednesday - Please come to school in school uniform with Forest school clothes to change into.

After school Clubs

Clubs will start the week of the 17th January (we will put them onto ParentMail early next week!)

Mondays	Football Club	Years 2 to 6
Wednesdays	High Five Club	Years 3 to 6
Thursdays	Choir Club	Years 3 to 6

B&T Club / DINNERS - If you have missed the booking deadlines, please can call the office before 2:30pm on a Thursday. (NB - accounts must be in credit by being topped up in advance for me to be able to do this.) Thank you, Di B

The new menu can be found on the school website : [Menu \(from Jan 2022\)](#)

Friends of Monkleigh School (FOMS) - [Easyfundraising](#)

Dates for your diary:

Mondays	After School Football Club
Wednesdays	After School High Five Club (+ Tue 30 Nov in lieu of cancelled session 3 Nov)
Thursdays	After School Choir Club
Wed 12 Jan	Full Governing Body meeting
Thu 27 Jan	FSU Trip to Torrington Library
Tue 1 Feb	Deadline for applications for summer term nursery place
Wed 9 Feb	New Caterpillar settling in session
Thu 17 Feb	Skern Lodge residential (Class 2)