



Monkleigh Primary School - Newsletter

Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

From the Headteacher

After a gloriously hot sunny start to this term it now really feels like we are well and truly heading into autumn as we reach the end of this half term, the weather has turned and the days are getting shorter. However, with that change in the weather comes the excitement of Christmas and all that entails for school. Please see the dates for the diary for all the things already planned.

Among other things, rehearsals for Matilda are well underway and we have started planning our Christmas Fayre organised by FOMs. We have a non-school uniform day on the 10th November and would be very grateful for any donations for the tombolo or raffle. FOMs do an amazing job fundraising for our school and have achieved so much, including buying our school mini bus, please do get behind FOMs so we can keep our mini bus on the road and aim towards our next big projects. The money raised makes an invaluable difference to the school and what we can do for your children.

Photos on dojo

We love being able to share photos with you of all the exciting things that your children are doing at school. Please remember that if you are screenshotting a photo from dojo to put on social media, if there are other children in the photo you must ask the parent/carers permission before posting it.

Thank you very much

Happy Half Term

I hope you all have a lovely half term holiday and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on the 30th October for the crazy half term run up to Christmas.

Karen Reeves

From Mrs Hobbs in the Office:

Don't forget to book your child's annual flu Vaccination. ParentMail sent out last week with all the information on. Flu visit - 16.11.23 you need to book your child in before 13.11.23

All absences need to be reported to the school office daily, please feel free to leave an answerphone message if it's before 8:30am.

Year 6 Parents - Secondary school applications - The closing date for applications is 31st October 2023.

A lot of secondary schools in Devon are under pressure with space due to local growth, so it is essential that we get as many applicants applying on-time as possible. Late applications may be disadvantaged, so it is vital parents make an on-time application to give themselves the best chance of securing a place at one of their preferred schools.

School lunches are now available to book from Monday 30th October until 9th February. Christmas dinner is on Tuesday 12th December and Class parties on Thursday 14th December.

Please note all previous bookings had to be cleared to amend the new menu. Please remember the 8 day booking requirement.

All children in Butterflies, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to free school meals, you just need to book one.

B&T Club

Please can all children be booked into these clubs, if you forget please ring the office as we need to make sure we have the correct ratio's in place.

Governor Vacancy - Please see the poster attached

Attendance...

Class average for this week: Butterflies: **87.69 %**; Class 1: **93.85 %**;

Class 2: **95.86%**; Class 3: **98.79%**

School average for this week: **95.25%**; this term: **96.05%**; this academic year: **96.05%**

Walking bus

To fill in the permissions form for your child please complete this [walking bus permission form](#) Then speak to or message Mrs Fenton to book the days you require.

Sport

Well done to our Cross-Country team who competed in the Stephens Shield last Friday you were such a credit to the School.

Please remember PE shoes every day, a dry pair of socks and full PE kit for any after school sports clubs.

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

Friends of Monkleigh School (FOMS)

Reminder:

To let you all, know that our next FOMS meeting will be our 'Wrap & Chat' evening. Most of you felt that 7pm on Thursday 2nd November would be the best time so we will see you then. We will meet in class 2.

Also, just wanted to say that tables are available for the Christmas Fayre at £5 a table. Friday 10th

November will be our non-uniform day. Any child who wants to take part please bring in a donation for the Christmas Tombola on that day.

Thank you for supporting us.
Mrs Mayhew

Dates for your diary:

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

23-27 Oct	Half term
Mon 30 Oct	TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY - INDIVIDUAL / FAMILY PORTRAITS
Tue 31 Oct	Butterflies Trip
Thu 2 Nov	FOMS chat & wrap in class 2 7pm everyone welcome
Mon 6 Nov	Vision screening for Butterflies
Tue 7 Nov	Monkleigh village hall craft morning Butterflies visit – Harbour trip
Thu 9 Nov	Butterflies parent's information meeting
Fri 10 Nov	Non-school uniform day – FOMS donation of a prize for the Christmas tombola.
Mon 13 Nov	Butterflies Bear hunt trip
Tue 14 Nov	FGB meeting
Thu 16 Nov	Annual flu vaccinations
Fri 17 Nov	Children in Need Day
Mon 27 Nov	Butterflies Christmas tree walk Christingle Service in the Church
Fri 1 Dec	FOMS Christmas fayre 5:30pm to 7:30pm
Tue 5 Dec	School panto performance – afternoon & evening performances.
Tue 12 Dec	FGB meeting Christmas Lunch
Wed 13 Dec	FSU Christmas performance
Thu 14 Dec	Christmas class parties – No school dinners

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North Cornwall Rocks -
the ultimate guide for families

Autumn is here – and the weather seems to have finally realised! There are lots of activities happening across North Cornwall this October Half Term. Pumpkin picking, spooky mazes, Halloween discos and parties, rockpool rambles and nature trails. Head over to the website and use our simple search features to have a look at what's on near you!

HALLOWEEN

There are over 140 suggestions for events and days out in North Cornwall featured in our Half Term Guide including autumn trails, crafty events, storytelling and special effects makeup!
[October Half Term Fun!](#)

ARTICLES

As well as great days out, local clubs and family based events, we also publish articles and guides to the website. Download free colouring sheets, find out about discounts for locals, read some top parenting tips or get some ideas for autumn crafts to do at home. If you'd like to add something to our guides, if you have a business or service we should be shouting about – please get in touch!

PARTY DIRECTORY

Have you seen our Party Guide? With venues, local entertainers, cake makers, nail/art and decoration providers and caterers, it really does have everything you need to plan a kids party!
[Have a look at the directory today!](#)

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