



Monksdown News

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A wonderful Advent warmth has certainly flowed through our school this week. All departments have been a flurry of excitement, full of tinsel and tea-towels as the children have prepared for their Christmas performances. The sheer delight and pride on the faces of the audience was a pleasure to watch

I wish to say a big 'thank you' to Mrs Daly and the team of staff who have decorated the school so beautifully. We truly are getting ready for Christmas. However.....

BEWARE THE ADVENT VIRUS

Be of the alert for symptoms of inner **HOPE, PEACE, JOY and LOVE**

The hearts of a great many have already been exposed to this virus and it is possible that people everywhere could come down with it in epidemic proportions. This could pose a serious threat to what has, up to now, been a fairly stable condition of conflict in the world.

Some signs and symptoms of **THE ADVENT VIRUS**:

- ❖ A tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than on fears based on past experiences
- ❖ An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment
- ❖ A loss of interest in judging other people
- ❖ A loss of interest in interpreting the actions of others
- ❖ A loss of interest in conflict
- ❖ A loss of the ability to worry (this is a very serious symptom)
- ❖ Frequent, overwhelming episodes of appreciation
- ❖ Contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature
- ❖ Frequent attacks of smiling
- ❖ An increasing tendency to let things happen rather than make them happen
- ❖ An increased susceptibility to the love extended by others as well as the uncontrollable urge to extend it

Attendance 27/11-1/12

Class	%
1C	98.0
1HC	97.3
4W	96.1
RVH	95.3
RMG	95.3
RG	94.7
1H	94.6
3C	93.8
5M	93.5
5A	93.1
6MA	92.9
3H	92.7
4J	92.7
6GA	92.6
2BY	91.7
2B	90.3

Total
94.1%



Governor News

As you are aware, the terms of office for our current parent Governors has come to an end. I am pleased to announce that both Mrs Lindsay Gibbons and Mrs Clare Tinsley have been re-elected. A very big welcome to Mr Stewart Foxall who will now begin his position. I look forward to working closely with them in order to raise standards and ensure our school provides a good quality, all round, education for our pupils. I would like to express my gratitude to Ms Jane Moores for her constant support over the past 4 years and welcome her as an Associate Governor.



Stars of the Week

Nam	Sophie Davis
Npm	Jacob Huynh
RG	Thomas Tasker
RH	Rose Ward
RMG	Lennon McKeown
1C	Demi-Lea Mawdsley
1H	Rhys Taylor
1HC	Liam Robinson
2B	Dylan McKibbon
2BY	Victoria Macosso
3H	Marlena Tyszka
4J	Iestyn Wilcox
5A	Leah Lockley
5S	Tiana Vito
6MA	Jon Speedy

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 12/12	RG Christmas songs 1.30-2.30pm
Wednesday 13/12	RH Christmas songs 1.30-2.30pm Christmas Dinner Day - £1.80 for children in KS2 who do not receive a free school meal Key Strings performance
Thursday 14/12	Reception trip to Windmill Animal Farm Christmas Family Event at 3.15pm
Friday 15/12	Christmas Jumper Day - 50p donation RMG Christmas songs 1.30-2.30pm
Monday 18/12	Nursery singing around the Christmas tree Nam at 10am Npm at 2pm
Tuesday 19/12	Christmas Party Day - £1.80 for children in KS2 who do not receive a free school meal
Thursday 21/12	Finish for Christmas holiday at 2pm
Monday 8/1/18	Return to school at 8.55am