



Monksdown Mail

Where Children Come First

Friday 13th May



Our school's
child protection
officers are
Mrs Price, Mrs
Stewart and Miss Makin.

Dear Families of Monksdown,

Year 6 SATs

I would like to congratulate all of the children in Year 6 for how well they have been working during the SATS tests this week. The way the children have approached the tests with such confidence absolutely shows how hard they have been working this year.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

We will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Thursday 26th and Friday 27th May. Children are invited to wear **red**, **white** and **blue** to school on the **Thursday** and classes will be having a Jubilee Tea Party on the playgrounds. Lessons will focus on British Values and the historical events during Her Majesty's reign. It's going to be a Right Royal Occasion!



British Sign Language

Reception, Year 3 and Year 5 commenced a course of sign language sessions from the Hands Team from Deaf Active. It was great fun and they learned how to sign colours through the song 'My favourite colour is' as well as a few lyrics from the song 'Shut up and Dance with Me'. Keep signing children!

We are the Champions

After several fierce rounds of tough competition, Connor Mc Kibbin, won the Year 6 Lunchtime Table Top Football Competition.

A massive well done to these children who were the overall champions of the table football competition held at St Hilda's High School. They were worthy winners and were praised for their sportsmanship, teamwork and manners by the staff and organisers of the event. The football table will take pride of place in our school and be enjoyed by the children for many years to come.

Well Done Monksdown !!!



Our Stars!

- ★ NAM: Michael Murphy
- ★ NPM: Kyren Ledden
- ★ R.1: Rylee Smith
- ★ R.2: Scarlett Brennan
- ★ R.3: Daniel Morris
- ★ 1.1: Rosy-Lea Kemp
- ★ 1.2: Lewis Robinson
- ★ 1.3: Florence Wood
- ★ 2.1: Tehilla Akinsola
- ★ 2.2: Arda Kahraman
- ★ 2.3: Kareem Amer
- ★ 3.1: Ignacy Trzcinski
- ★ 3.2: Hadi Nadeem
- ★ 3.3: Jaden Cousineau
- ★ 4.1: James Daley
- ★ 4.2: Jonah Lake
- ★ 4.3: All 4.3
- ★ 5.1: Thomas Kilcourse
- ★ 5.2: Olivia Creighton
- ★ 5.3: Anais Gannon
- ★ 6.1: All 6.1
- ★ 6.2: All 6.2

Dates to Remember

Wear Red, White and Blue for the Jubilee Thursday 26th May

2pm Break up for half term Friday 27th May

Wear Yellow for Cystic Fibrosis Friday 17th June Small donation

Parental Involvement

Year 1 children would like their parents/carers to join them in school on **Tuesday 17th May**. The children will be sharing their learning and showcasing their work.

Other year groups are as follows:

Future Learning Showcase Events—all parents and carers welcome.

Times : Class 1 9.15 –10.00 Class 2 10.15-11.00 Class 3 2.00-2.45.

Year 1 17.05.2022 **Year 4** 14.06.2022

Year 3 24.05.2022 **Year 5** 21.06.2022

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly Friday 15th July 10am

RSE Drop In Session

We have another of our open sessions for parents and carers regarding the Relationships and Sex Education Curriculum. If you have any questions or simply want to find out more, then please come to school via the main entrance on Thursday 19th May 2022 between 3.00pm and 4.00pm when staff will be happy to meet with you and discuss things further.

Wellbeing Tip of the Week

Dealing with Exam Stress

This week our wonderful Year 6 children have been taking their SATs tests. Other year groups have assessments still to come. Some of you may have other children taking GCSE, BTEC and A Level examinations.

Here are some tips to help you:

- Think about all the things you have achieved so far.
- It can be helpful to write a list of all the things you like about yourself, and the things other people value about you too.
- The importance of self-care – remember, as well as revising, it's also important to look after your wellbeing, by eating well-balanced meals, getting enough sleep, staying hydrated and giving yourself regular breaks and time to wind down.
- Keep it in perspective - exams can help you take the next step in your academic or professional career but results are not the only measure of success.



We only have 2 more weeks in school until we break up for a 2 week half term break.

We have decided to have another special attendance award for children who come to school every day from **09.05.22-27.05.22**.



The special treat will be for more than one child and it will be on the first day back:

Monday 13.06.22.

Please make sure you are in school as often as possible to be in with a chance of winning.



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Please get the **free Studybugs app** for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

<https://studybugs.com>

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play | Get it from Microsoft

Report sickness, receive guidance, help improve children's health
See what illnesses are going around
Secure system, all communications encrypted

Working in partnership with: NHS | Digital and e-learning | Local authority | Studybugs

We have signed up to a new, more efficient and secure system, called Studybugs, to support you when reporting your child's absence.

Studybugs work in partnership with the NHS to provide you with medical advice.

To make it easier for you to let us know if your child is going to be off school, please ensure you have downloaded the app or register for free on the Studybugs website <https://studybugs.com/about/parents>.

External Assessments

Please keep our children in your thoughts this month and next as many of them have important assessments.

Year 1 Phonics Screening

The phonics screening check for Year 1 will be administered by staff week beginning Monday 14th June

Year 2 SATs

The end of Key Stage One SATs testing will take place throughout the month of May 2022

Year 4 Multiplication Check

The times table online check will be taken from Monday 14th-Friday 24th June 2022

Online Payments

Dinners and trips can now be paid for via School Money. If you have not received your log in details please contact the school office where we will be happy to help.

Dogs no matter how cute, cuddly or well behaved , must not be brought on to school grounds.

Some children are frightened of dogs and we want our school to be a safe, happy place for everyone.

Thank you.



Here are our top achievers:

1st - Aniela Suverjanu

2nd - Kendra Pinto

3rd - Artin Kananian

4th - Summer Mills

5th - Taylor Steer

6th — Hana Tariq

7th - Fortune Azubuike

8th - Reece He

9th - Maja Chrostek

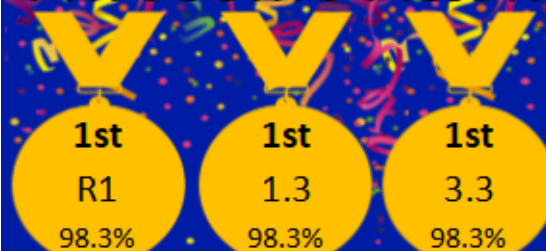
10th - Nancy Williams

Parking Notice

Please be considerate when parking your car. **Please do not block driveways**
Thank you for your support to make our local area safer for your children.



Awesome Attendance!



The number of children with 100% attendance w/c 02/05/22: 491

Whole School Attendance

92.9%



Monty Mouse has been awarded to R1, 1.3 and 3.3 Well done!



OLI'S SAFARI WALK

3K SPONSORED WALK
(wheelchair and pram friendly)

Knowsley Safari Park
Sunday 15th May 2022, 10.00am

Includes **FREE**
access to the safari
park afterwards



Entry

Online Entry (online registration closes Thursday 12th May)
£15 per adult, £7.50 per child or £30 for a family of 4 (2 adults, 2 children)

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