



# Monksdown Mail

Where Children Come First

Designated Safeguarding Leads :



Mrs Russell and  
Mrs Stewart  
Deputy-Mrs Price

Friday 11th July 2025

Dear Families of Monksdown

We hope you've all been enjoying the sunshine and making the most of these brighter days. It's hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by. It's amazing to think there's just over one week left before the summer holidays!

This week, Year 4 had a fantastic trip to Chester where they explored the Roman walls, visited the ruins of the Roman baths, discovered the Roman gardens, and stepped into history at the Roman amphitheatre. The children's behaviour throughout the day was exemplary, noted by members of the passing public. They showed great curiosity, respect, and enthusiasm, making the most of every opportunity to learn and explore.

Kindest Regards

Mrs Price



<b><u>Nursery</u></b> @Monksnursery24	<b><u>Reception</u></b> @Receptionmonksd	<b><u>Year 1</u></b> @Year1Monksdown
<b><u>Year 2</u></b> @Year2Monksdown	<b><u>Year 3</u></b> @Year3Monksdown	<b><u>Year 4</u></b> @Year4Monksdown
<b><u>Year 5</u></b> @Y5Monksdown	<b><u>Year 6</u></b> @Year6Monksdown1	<b><u>Learning Council</u></b> @MonksdownLC



## Our Stars! ★

<b>Nursery</b>	Sophie Williams
<b>R1</b>	John-Paul Kemp
<b>R2</b>	Grace Baller
<b>R3</b>	Sofia O Connell
<b>1.1</b>	Shareen Ahmed
<b>1.2</b>	Lucy Bennett
<b>1.3</b>	Blake McGivern
<b>2.1</b>	Scarlett Taylor
<b>2.2</b>	Ella Heaton
<b>2.3</b>	Logan Smith
<b>3.1</b>	Amber Smith
<b>3.2</b>	Orlaith Kasek
<b>3.3</b>	Corey Baller
<b>4.1</b>	Nathan Jonikas
<b>4.2</b>	Jack Irvine
<b>4.3</b>	Alex Lin
<b>5.1</b>	Lacey-Ann Burgess
<b>5.2</b>	Sophie Stannard
<b>5.3</b>	Louie Donnelly
<b>6.1</b>	Emily Hall
<b>6.2</b>	Grace Babalola
<b>6.3</b>	Jaiden Stuart

## Important Dates

**Nursery Graduation**  
Wednesday 16th July @  
10am—11.30am

**Year 6 leavers assembly**  
Friday 18th July @ 9.30am

**Yr6 Leavers Disco**  
Monday 21st July @  
3.00pm—6.00pm

## Year 6 Walking Club take on London!

This weekend, Year 6 Walking Club went on a fantastic trip to London. The children had an action packed few days, exploring the capital on foot, visiting some of the city's most iconic landmarks.

Their journey took them to the historic Tower of London, where pupils were fascinated by its rich history and the dazzling Crown Jewels. They also enjoyed an incredible performance of Hercules at the theatre. They all enjoyed singing along to all of it's iconic songs. Another highlight was their visit to the Science Museum, where pupils explored interactive exhibits and got hands on with fascinating scientific discoveries.

The children did an incredible amount of walking and showed real enthusiasm and resilience throughout the trip. Their behaviour was truly outstanding at every stage. They represented the school with maturity, curiosity, and kindness. Most importantly, it was clear just how much the pupils enjoyed their time in London. Their excitement, interest, and positive attitude made the trip a joy for everyone involved!



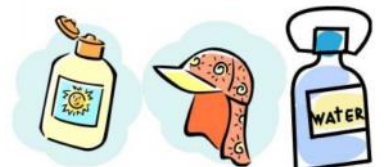
## Wimbledon



A group of our pupils had the exciting opportunity to attend Wimbledon this weekend, where they watched a variety of matches. They also enjoyed the classic treat of strawberries and cream whilst taking in the atmosphere. Keep your eyes peeled for next week's newsletter, where one of our pupils will be sharing a full report on their visit!

## Sun Protection for Pupils

With the hot weather continuing next week, we kindly ask that you help protect your child by ensuring they come to school with a bottle of water, sun cream applied and a sun hat to wear during playtimes.





## Snacks and Drinks

Children in KS2 (Years 3—6) may bring a **HEALTHY** snack to eat at break time .This should not include crisps, sweets or chocolate.

Some suggestions:

- Fresh Fruit or Dried Fruit
- Low Sugar cereal bars that are not chocolate coated
- Crackers
- Vegetable sticks



We encourage children to drink water in school. If your child cannot drink water then a sugar free juice may be brought into school. Energy drinks such as Prime and Lucozade are not permitted.

Children in Early Years (Reception) and KS1 (Years 1-2) are provided with milk and fruit free of charge.

## Online Payments

Dinners can now be paid for via School Money online.

If you have not received your log in details please contact the school office where we will be happy to help.

## Library Times

The library is open for children and parents on the following days

**Monday:** Nursery and Reception

**Tuesday:** Year 1 and Year 2

**Wednesday:** Years 3—6

## Road Safety

If your child rides their bike or scooter to school, please talk to them about road safety and being very careful on their journey. Helmets should be worn for protection at all times.



# School Lunch Menu








w/c 14 <sup>th</sup> July		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SOUP	Carrot & Coriander	Broccoli & Cheddar	Chef Choice	Pea	Chinese Sweetcorn
HOT MAINS	Broccoli & Cream Cheese Pasta Bake 	Jewel's Chicken Karahi with Brown Rice & Green Beans	Cumberland Sausage Slice with Wedges & Beans	Beef Chilli Tacos with Tortilla Chips	Fish Fingers with Chips & Garden Peas
	Meat Free Burritos 	Vegetable & Lentil Stew 	Tomato & Basil Pasta 	Vegan Jambalaya 	Veggie Sausage Roll 
CHEF SPECIAL	Ask Chef about todays special!				
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Salad 	Apple Flapjacks 	Iced Sponge Cake with Custard 	Sticky Toffee Pudding 	Cheese & Crackers 



Available Daily: Jacket potatoes with tuna, cheese or beans, salad, hummus, fresh fruit and yoghurt

Please speak to a member of staff about dietary requirements.  
All menus are checked by a nutritionist and adhere to School Food Standards.

 Vegetarian  
 Vegan  
 Oily fish

w/c 21 <sup>st</sup> July		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
SOUP	Chef Choice	Tomato & Basil	Broccoli & Cheddar
HOT MAINS	Quorn Mince Cottage Pie 	BBQ Chicken with Sweetcorn & wholegrain Rice	Chef Daniels's Beef & Bean Quesadillas
	Broccoli & Cream Cheese Pasta Bake 	Cherry Tomato Quiche 	Vegetarian Chilli with Rice 
CHEF SPECIAL	Ask Chef about todays special!		
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Salad 	Scones & Cream 	Sponge Cake Topped with Jam & whipped Cream 