



Monksdown Mail

Where Children Come First



Designated Safeguarding Leads :
Mrs Russell and
Mrs Stewart
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Friday 10th July 2026

Dear Families of Monksdown

Wow! This week has truly showcased the very best of our school community. From children experiencing the magic of Centre Court at Wimbledon, our Walking Club exploring the wonderful sights of London and our talented performers taking to the stage in our fantastic school production. There has been so much to celebrate!

As Headteacher, I could not be prouder of every one of our children and staff. Throughout the week, they have demonstrated the qualities that make Monksdown School so special. Like the characters in *The Wizard of Oz*, our children have shown great heart in the kindness and encouragement they give one another, love for learning and the courage to step out of their comfort zones, whether on stage, on a journey, or next to a world-famous tennis court.

It has been a joy to watch our children shine and I know these experiences will create memories to treasure for years to come.

Mrs Price



Revised Sports Day Dates

I am pleased to inform you that our Sports Days will now take place next week as follows:

Tuesday 14th July	9.45 am - Year 5 1.45 pm - Year 6
Wednesday 15th July	9.45 am - Year 1 1.45 pm - Year 2
Thursday 16th July	9.45 am - Year 4 1.45 pm - Year 3



We look forward to welcoming families and supporters to cheer on our pupils as they take part in a fun-filled day of sporting activities.

★ Our Stars ★

Nur	Myles Maitland
R1	Archie White
R2	Milo Gonzalez
R3	Jayson Zhen
1.1	Shalom Muturuka
1.2	Lila Bahrami
1.3	Jax Woolrich
2.1	Michael Morrison
2.2	Blake McGivern
2.3	Amelia McGuinness White
3.1	Christina Dillon-Lloyd
3.2	Adam Chelkowski
3.3	John Clegg
4.1	Olivia Davin
4.2	4.2 Cast of Wizard of Oz
4.3	Mark Burgess Jr
5.1	Amelia Gumulak
5.2	Tarik Cibiz
5.3	Jessica Wilson
6.1	Vivian Wojsik- Braga
6.2	Isabella Kirby
6.3	Kareem Amer

Dates for the diary

w.b. 13th July

Revised sports days—see separate timetable

17th July

Y6 leavers assembly (9.30am)

Y6 leavers disco (3.00pm)

20th July—22nd July

China partner school visit

22nd July

Last day of Summer Term
(School closes at 2pm)

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz!

We are incredibly proud of all our pupils who took part in our production of The Wizard of Oz. Their confidence, enthusiasm and hard work shone through in every performance, making the show a fantastic success. A huge well done to everyone involved for their dedication and teamwork, you truly did yourselves proud! A huge thank you to all the staff for your commitment to our pupils!



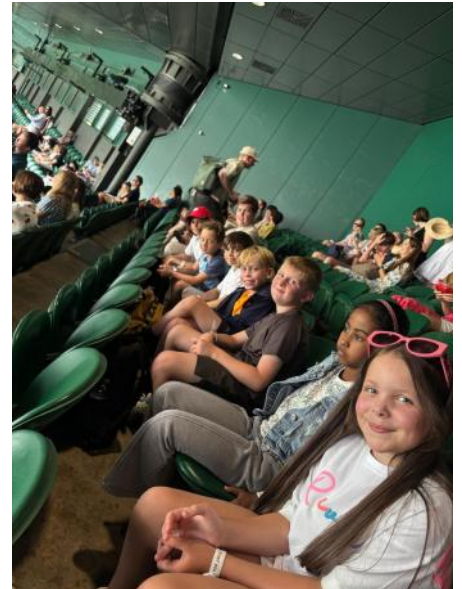
Walking Club explore London!

Our Year 6 Walking Club enjoyed a fantastic weekend in London, taking in some of the capital's most iconic landmarks, including Buckingham Palace and the Tower of London. The trip also included a wonderful evening watching Paddington in the West End. Throughout the weekend, the children demonstrated outstanding behaviour, representing the school with kindness, enthusiasm and respect. We are incredibly proud of them all.



Wimbledon

A group of our children had a wonderful day at Wimbledon, enjoying the unforgettable experience of watching the tennis from Centre Court. The excitement of seeing world-class players in action was matched only by the tradition of tucking into delicious strawberries and cream. It was a fantastic day filled with memorable moments and smiles all around.



The Book Project

A huge thank you to The Book Project for their incredibly generous donation of books to our school. Our Year 6 English Subject Leads have been busy running their very own Book Shop, giving every child from Nursery to Year 2 the opportunity to 'buy' a book completely free of charge. We hope these books inspire a love of reading and provide many enjoyable moments for our families to share together.



Year 2's Park Adventure!

Year 2 had a wonderful day at the park, enjoying a range of exciting outdoor activities. We completed a nature scavenger hunt, created observational drawings of the plants and wildlife we spotted and had lots of fun playing together in the playground. We were incredibly proud of the children's excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and positive attitude throughout the day. They represented our school brilliantly and made the most of this fantastic learning experience.



Checkmate! Chess Team Takes 3rd Place

We are incredibly proud of our Year 5 and Year 6 chess team, who recently competed in the Chess in Schools competition and finished an outstanding 3rd place out of 32 teams. The children were impeccably behaved throughout the day and were fantastic ambassadors for our school, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship, teamwork and resilience. They made us all incredibly proud.

This was our Year 6 pupils' final chess competition representing the school and we would like to thank them for their commitment and enthusiasm. A special congratulations goes to Parisa, who achieved an amazing individual performance by remaining unbeaten throughout the competition, not losing a single game. What a fantastic achievement!



A Royal Afternoon Tea

Year 1 enjoyed a very special afternoon tea with Monksdown's very own King and Queen to celebrate the end of their DT topic, "Afternoon Tea with the King and Queen." The children arrived dressed in their finest fancy clothes and helped create a wonderful royal atmosphere for the occasion. Thanks to Apple of My Eye, the children enjoyed a delicious selection of food as they celebrated their learning and the fantastic work they had completed throughout the topic. The afternoon became even more memorable when the "King" and "Queen" paid a special visit to the children, who were delighted to welcome them and share their royal celebration together.



Resilience Award Winner 2026

Reece received a nationwide resilience award from the Credit Union this week in recognition of his outstanding resilience throughout the year. He was presented with a trophy at a ceremony in assembly. We are incredibly proud of his achievement and the determination he has shown this year!



Parent Pod

We're really pleased to share that our Parent Pod is now up and running in the large playground at the front of school! This cosy little space is there for families to pop by, connect, and make use of some helpful resources, including our uniform recycle rail, lovingly looked after each week by the wonderful Mrs Prescott. She keeps everything neat, fresh, and ready to go, so if your child needs a spare jumper, trousers, or even a PE top, please feel free to take what you need. No forms, no fuss, just a helping hand when you need it. Using the uniform recycle isn't just practical, it's also a great way to support the environment. By reusing good-quality clothing, we're helping to reduce waste and avoid sending perfectly wearable items to landfill. It's a small step that makes a big difference, and we're proud to be building a more sustainable school community together. Thank you for your support, and do stop by the Parent Pod next time you're on the playground!





Sun Safety!

Due to the hot weather, please ensure that your child comes to school each day with a water bottle. We also ask that sun cream is applied before school and that children bring a sun hat to help protect them while outdoors.



School Lunch Menu

w/c 13 th July	 Planet Friendly MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SOUP	Carrot & Coriander	Broccoli & Cheddar	Chef Choice	Pea Soup	Chinese Sweetcorn
HOT MAINS	Broccoli & Cream Cheese Pasta Bake 	Jewel's Chicken Karahi with Wholegrain Rice & Green Beans	Cumberland Sausage Slice with Wedges & Beans	Beef Chilli Tacos with Tortilla Chips & Salad	Fish Fingers with Chips & Garden Peas
	Meat Free Burritos with Salad 	Vegetable & Lentil Stew 	Tomato & Basil Pasta 	Vegan Jambalaya 	Veggie Sausage Roll with Chips & Garden Peas 
CHEF SPECIAL	Ask Chef about today's special!				
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Salad	Apple Flapjack	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

Attendance

Here are the attendance and punctuality winners for the week beginning Week 29th June to 3rd July 2026

Best punctuality

KS1 – R.2 - 1 late

KS2 – 3.2 – 3 late

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KS1 – R.1	KS 1- 2.1	KS1 – 1.3
KS2 – 4.3	KS2 – 4.2	KS2 – 3.3



Snack

Children in KS2 (Years 3—6) may bring a **healthy** snack to eat at break time. This should not include crisps, sweets or chocolate. Children in Early Years (Nursery and Reception) and KS1 (Years 1-2) are provided with milk and fruit free of charge.

Beautiful New Beginnings

Wellbeing and Yoga Sessions for Children and Families

We are delighted to share a range of wellbeing and yoga sessions available for children and families each month.

On the first Tuesday of every month:

- **Wellbeing Warriors** at 6.30pm
- **Children's Yoga (Ages 8+)** at 7.30pm



On the third Tuesday of every month:

- **Family Mindfulness** at 6.30pm
- **Family Yoga (Ages 4+)** at 7.30pm

These sessions are a wonderful opportunity for children and families to relax, build confidence and support positive wellbeing in a calm and welcoming environment.

Please note that places are limited and must be booked in advance.

For further information and booking details, please visit:

Wellbeing Warriors

[Beautiful New Beginnings – Wellbeing Warriors](#)

Children's Yoga (8+)

[Beautiful New Beginnings – Children's Yoga](#)

Family Mindfulness

[Beautiful New Beginnings – Family Mindfulness](#)

Family Yoga (4+)

[Beautiful New Beginnings – Family Yoga](#)



Liverpool Mental Health Support Team
Emotional Literacy and Transition Sessions

Hello everyone,

Liverpool MHST will be delivery some webinars for parents over the summer.

These will be 1 hour sessions and will cover Emotional Literacy and Transition. All information is on the Eventbrite links but I have also attached QR codes.

We would appreciate if you would be able to circulate the below information in your communications to parents before the summer holidays commence.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/transition-workshop-for-parents-tickets-1993135131833?aff=oddttdtcreator> - 3/08 transition for parents' workshop 5pm - 6pm.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/emotional-literacy-workshop-for-parents-tickets-1993136151884?aff=oddttdtcreator> - 13/08 emotional literacy 10am - 11am.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/emotional-literacy-workshop-fr-parents-tickets-1993136319385?aff=oddttdtcreator> - 17/08 emotional literacy 5pm - 6pm.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/transistion-workshop-for-parents-tickets-1993136674447?aff=oddttdtcreator> - 27/08 transition workshop 10am – 11am.

August 3rd - Transition Workshop.	August 13 th - Emotional Literacy.	August 17th - Emotional Literacy.	August 27th - Transition workshop.
			



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Leamington Primary School
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Weekdays from Wed 22nd - Fri
31st July 10am - 12pm

Primary age children just finishing reception up to Year 6.
Spaces will be allocated on a first come basis, parents/carers must register their child(ren) before their first session.

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