Safeguarding is of the utmost importance to us. If you have any concerns that a child is being harmed or is at risk of harm, or if you receive a disclosure, you must inform a staff member immediately.

Monksdown Mail

Where Children Come First

Friday 16th October

Designated Safeguarding Leads : Mrs Russell and Mrs Stewart
Deputy-Mrs Price

Dear Families of Monksdown

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our recent Parents' Evening. Thank you for taking the time to attend and for your continued support of your child's learning. It was a real pleasure to share with you just how well our pupils are doing and to celebrate the progress they are making.

The partnership between home and school is incredibly important and we truly value the strong relationships we have with our families. Working together, with open communication and a shared commitment to every child's success, helps us to ensure that all our pupils feel supported, challenged and encouraged to achieve their very best. Thank you as always for your ongoing support and for the trust you place in us. I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to our teachers for their continued hard work, dedication and commitment to providing the very best opportunities for our pupils.

Finally, I would like to wish all the pupils travelling to China this weekend the very best of luck! What an exciting and memorable opportunity this will be. We hope they have an amazing experience, embrace every moment and make memories that will last a lifetime. We cannot wait to hear all about their adventures when they return!

With best wishes,

Mrs Price





We Love to Read!



Don't forget, this term's House Challenge is all about promoting our love of reading. Children and staff are challenged to take a photograph of themselves reading in an unusual place! Simply print your photograph, write your name and House on the back, and bring it into school. The more unusual the location, the more House points you could earn!

Our Stars

Nur	Lilah Glover
R1	~~Anthony Gonzalez~~
R2	Noah Connor
R3	Mang Rahman
1.1	Lyla Leigh
1.2	Amaya Sands
1.3	Antonia Tigancea
2.1	John Paul Kemp
2.2	Cristian Chitoraga
2.3	Devansh Verma
3.1	Lewis Bonner
3.2	Jack Kilcourse
3.3	Edward Rocon
4.1	Daria Avadenei
4.2	Amelia Larcher
4.3	Jamie Leigh Brady
5.1	Logan Barrow
5.2	Raitis
5.3	Daniel Morris
6.1	Rosy-Lea Kemp
6.2	Aubrey Garvey
6.3	Ela Ozturk

Dates for the diary

Monday 19th October

Harvest festival (donations welcome for St Andrews; Food Bank)

Sunday 18th – Monday 26th October

Trip to China

Wednesday 21st October

Y1 phonics meeting at 1pm

Y5 trip to St Teresa's Church





This week, our Year 5 children had the wonderful opportunity to visit St Teresa's Church as part of their RE learning. The children were given a guided tour by Fr Tony before exploring the church to identify key symbols, features and objects associated with the Catholic faith. It was a fantastic opportunity to bring their classroom learning to life and see first-hand what they had been learning about. We were incredibly proud when Fr Tony commented on the politeness, engagement and respect shown by all 90 children throughout their visits.

A huge thank you to Fr Tony and St Teresa's Church for welcoming us and helping to make our RE learning such a memorable experience.

School Bank

We are delighted to be taking part in the LifeSavers programme, helping pupils learn about money and develop good saving habits. In partnership with Central Credit Union, we are opening our school savings club to all pupils. To register, please complete the online form using the web address or QR code below. Select "Savings Account" as the application role. Please register by **Monday 12th October** 2026 so your child's account is ready before half term.



Every child who joins will receive a LifeSavers passbook and wallet. Pupils can save up to £10 per week, with any amount welcomed. The focus is on building positive saving habits and setting savings goals, rather than how much they save. The club will be run by pupil cashiers and open on Monday mornings during term time. Withdrawals will not be available in school until July. We look forward to welcoming your child to our savings club!

Mrs Campbell

Savings Club Treasurer

Scan the QR code or visit

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and click on

Register

Y1 need your cardboard boxes!

Year 1 would be very grateful for donations of small cardboard boxes e.g. mini cereal boxes, breadstick boxes etc. Thank you!

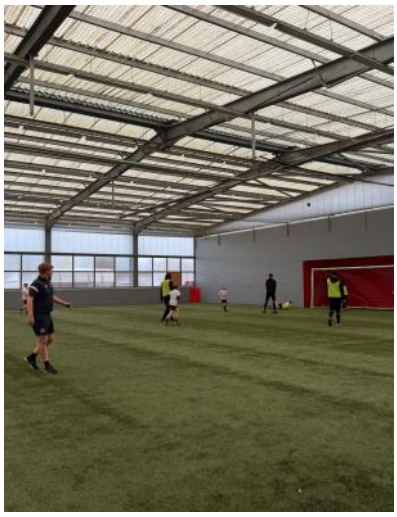
Year 1 team



Monksdown Sports News

A Fantastic Football Opportunity!





Our Year 5 and 6 football team had an amazing opportunity to take part in a training session at Liverpool FC's Melwood Training Centre! This was a fantastic experience for our young players, giving them the chance to develop their football skills, build confidence and enjoy training in such a special sporting environment. It was a wonderful opportunity to be inspired, learn new skills and make memories that will last a lifetime.

We are incredibly proud of our pupils for representing the school and hope they thoroughly enjoyed this unforgettable experience!





LSSP Playleaders

Liverpool School Sports Partners have been in school to train our Play Leaders. They have learned a range of fun games and activities that they can lead and organise for younger pupils.

Our Play Leaders will be out on the yard, helping younger children to enjoy their playtimes, try new games and have fun together. This is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to develop their leadership, teamwork and communication skills while helping to make playtimes active, enjoyable and inclusive for everyone!



Attendance

Here are the attendance and punctuality winners for the week beginning Week beginning Week 5th October to 10th October 2026

Best punctuality

KS1 - R 1 - 1 late

KS2- 3.2 - 1 late

1st	2nd	3rd
KS1 - 2.3	KS 1- R.1	KS1 - R 3
KS2 - 5.3	KS2 - 3.3	KS2 - 5.1

Nuts in school

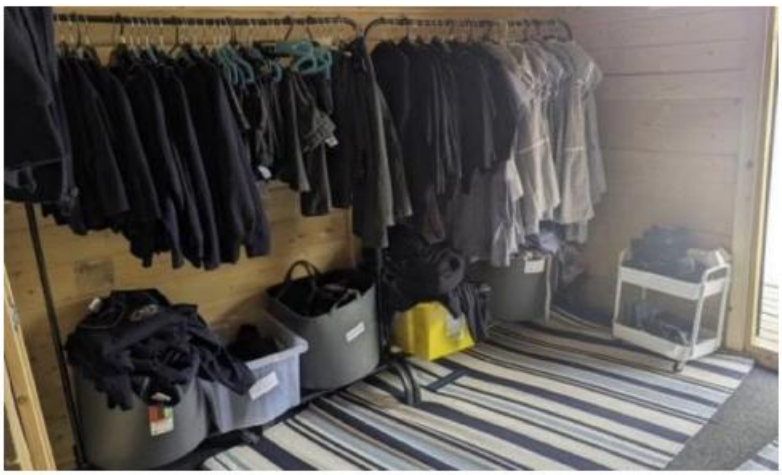


Several children in our school have serious nut allergies, and even a small trace can cause a severe reaction. That's why we ask everyone to avoid sending in items like peanut butter, cereal bars with nuts, or homemade treats that might contain them. It's a small change that makes a big difference in keeping all our children safe and well. We know how much care goes into preparing your child's lunch each day, and we really appreciate your support in helping us create a safe and inclusive environment.

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!





School Lunch Menu

w/c 19th October	Planet Friendly MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SOUP	Pea	Chef Choice	Roasted Pepper	Chef Choice	Leek & Potato
HOT MAINS	Vegetarian Sausage & Mash (V)	Chinese Chicken Curry with Wholegrain Rice & Prawn Crackers	Cumberland Sausage Slice with Wedges & Beans	Beef Chilli Tacos with Tortilla Chips & Salad	Fish Finges with Chips & Garden Peas
	Meat Free Burritos with Salad (V)	Puy Lentil Shepherds Pie with Garden Peas & Carrots (V)	Spaghetti & Veggie Meatballs (V)	Vegan Jambalaya	Veggie Fingers
CHEF SPECIAL	Ask Chef about todays special!				
DESSERT	Marble Cake	Apple Flapjack	Fresh Fruit Salad	Pumpkin Pie	Cheese & Crackers

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
GOOD FOOD CULTURE

Lunch Menu

w/c 2nd Nov

	MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	Carrot & Coriander Soup	Chef Choice Soup	Leek & Potato Soup	Chef Choice Soup	Tomato & Basil Soup
2	Wholemeal Pizza, Wedges & Beans	Chicken Dhansak with Rice & Naan Bread	Meatball Sub with Salad & Tortilla Chips	Turkey Roast Dinner with Seasonal Vegetables & New Potatoes	Fish FIngers with Chips & Garden Peas
	Vegetarian Chilli with Wholemeal Rice	Cheese & Onion Plate Pie with Seasonal Vegetables	Cheesy Bean Wholemeal Pasta	Twice Baked Jacket Potatoes	Vegetable Curry & Wholemeal Rice
3	Fresh Fruit Salad & Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Pineapple & Coconut Sponge	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Cheese & Crackers, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt
	Chef's Special, Jacket Potatoes with Tuna, Cheese or Hummus & Salad, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt				

KEY

- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Oily Fish
- Cookery Coach Recipe

Please speak to a member of staff about dietary requirements and scan the QR code for our allergen matrix.

All menus are checked by a nutritionist and adhere to School Food Standards.



Outdoor Equipment

We store equipment in our outdoor sheds. Please do not allow your child to enter the sheds or play with the things before or after school.

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.

Swimming

This term, classes 5.1 and 5.2 will have swimming every Friday morning.



Online Payments

Dinners can 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.

Bikes and Scooters - Health and Safety

Bikes, scooters, and other wheeled equipment must not be ridden on the yard during school hours. These items can pose a risk of injury to both the rider and others nearby. If bikes are brought to school, they should be walked through the yard and stored in the designated bike racks.



Monksdown Primary School

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Chair of Governors:

Mr M. Reynolds

Headteacher:

Mrs J Price

Savings Club Registration Form

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, we are delighted to be taking part in the LifeSavers programme, helping our pupils learn about money and how to manage it wisely. As part of the LifeSavers Programme we have partnered with a local credit union, **Central Credit Union**, to provide our school savings club for pupils.

We are opening registration for our pupils. Any pupil is eligible to join the savings club and they will receive a Lifesavers passbook and wallet when they join. **To register your child, you will need to complete the form online (see web address or QR code below). Please ensure you click savings account in the application role.** Please register before Monday 12th October 2026. This will give us the opportunity to have your child's account ready before half term.

The savings club will provide real life, hands-on money experiences for your children to help them develop into financially confident young people. They will learn about saving and setting savings targets for things they want. The emphasis will not be on the amount they save but developing a positive savings habit. All amounts saved, no matter how small, will be welcomed (with **a maximum limit of £10 per week**). As this is a savings club, the **first opportunity to make a withdrawal will be in July. No withdrawals can be made before this in school.**

Our savings club will be run by our own pupil cashiers and will be open term time on Monday mornings.

We look forward to welcoming your children to our savings club.

Very best wishes,

Mrs Campbell
Savings Club Treasurer

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