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 23rd October

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

Dear Families of Monksdown

This week, we have enjoyed celebrating Harvest in school with some wonderful assemblies that helped our pupils understand the importance of gratitude and supporting others in our community. We were delighted to welcome Josh from Bethel Church, who spent time with our pupils teaching them about the meaning of Harvest and the importance of helping those in need. A huge thank you to all our families for your generous donations, which will be going to St Andrew's Food Bank. Your kindness and support are greatly appreciated and will make a real difference to others in our local community.

As we head into the half-term break, I would like to thank our pupils, families and in particular our wonderful staff who, as always, work tirelessly to ensure that our pupils receive the very best experiences and opportunities. Their dedication, care and enthusiasm make such a difference to our school community and I am incredibly grateful for all that they do. It has been a brilliant start to the year and I am so proud of all that we have achieved together.

I hope you all enjoy a wonderful half-term break, with time to relax, recharge and spend quality time with family and friends. I hope everyone returns feeling rested and ready for what promises to be a busy and exciting half term as we begin the countdown to Christmas!

With best wishes,

Mrs Price







Our Stars

Nur	Kaison Bird
R1	Nma-Kamel-Aziz
R2	Arlo Coan
R3	Leo Davies
1.1	Milo Gonzalez
1.2	Irineos Gerolemou
1.3	Archie White
2.1	Layla Lynch
2.2	Lily Sedgewick
2.3	Derick Joby
3.1	Ross Kearney
3.2	Lillie Shrimpton
3.3	Zarlish Amir
4.1	Scarlett Speedy
4.2	Neveah Calvert
4.3	Olivia Bonner
5.1	Annie Reid
5.2	Billy Thompson
5.3	Oscar Limbert
6.1	Jim Gardner
6.2	Oliver Devlin
6.3	Freddie Aspinall

Dates for the diary

7th December: Y6 Christmas performance (9:15) & Y5 Christmas performance (2:00)

8th December: Y4 Christmas performance (9:15) & Y3 Christmas performance (2:00)

9th December: Y2 Christmas performance (9:15) & Y1 Christmas performance (2:00)

10th December: Y1 Christmas performance (9:15) & Y2 Christmas performance (2:00)



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!

Nǐ hǎo from Hainan



This week 20 of our pupils and 5 members of staff are enjoying an incredible adventure in Hainan, China! What an amazing opportunity for our pupils to explore a different part of the world, experience new cultures and traditions and broaden their understanding of life beyond their own community.

Experiences like these are truly invaluable, allowing our pupils to develop their confidence, independence and curiosity about the world around them, while creating memories that will last a lifetime. We hope they are embracing every moment of this exciting journey, making new discoveries and enjoying all that Hainan has to offer. We look forward to welcoming our travellers back to school and hearing all about their incredible experiences, discoveries and adventures in China.

Reception get a visit from the dentist

Our Reception children had a special visit from the dentist, who taught them all about the importance of looking after their teeth. The children learned how to brush their teeth properly, keep their teeth clean and healthy, and why good dental hygiene is so important. They also discovered how brushing twice a day, eating a healthy, balanced diet and visiting the dentist regularly can help keep their smiles bright and their teeth strong. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about how to care for their teeth and were encouraged to put their new knowledge into practice at home.





School Bank

Please don't forget to sign up for our school bank!

Mrs Campbell

Scan the QR code or visit

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and click on

Register

Attendance

Here are the attendance and punctuality winners for the week beginning Week beginning Week 12 th October to 16 th October 2026

1st	2nd	3rd
KS1 - 1.1 KS2 - 5.1	KS 1- 2.1 KS2 - 4.2	KS1 - 1.2 KS2 - 3.3

Best punctuality

KS1 - R 1 - 0 late

KS2- 4.1 - 2 late

Nuts in school

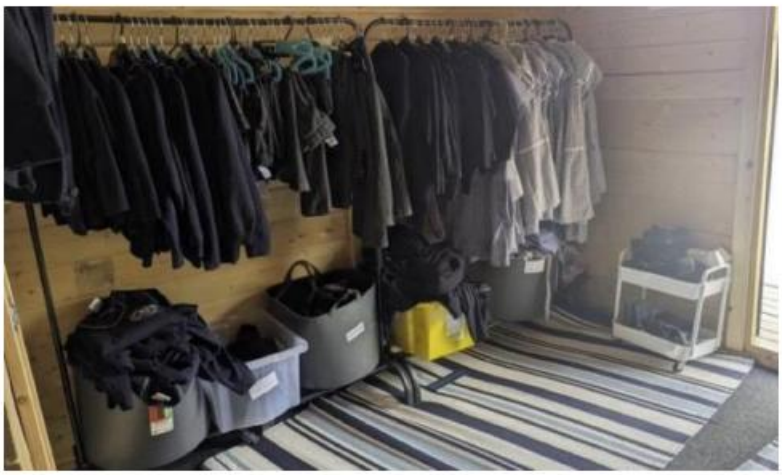


Several children in our school have serious nut allergies, and even a small trace can cause a severe reaction. That's why we ask everyone to avoid sending in items like peanut butter, cereal bars with nuts, or homemade treats that might contain them. It's a small change that makes a big difference in 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!





Lunch Menu

w/c 2nd Nov

	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
2	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.



Lunch Menu

w/c 9th Nov

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	Vegetable & Lentil Soup	Chef Choice Soup	Garden Pea Soup	Chef Choice Soup	Chinese Sweetcorn Soup
2	Tomato & Basil Wholemeal Pasta Bake with Salad & Garlic Bread	Homemade Spanish Chicken with Wholemeal Rice & Green Beans	Sausage & Homemade Mash with Gravy & Peas	Homemade Scouse with Crusty Bread & Pickled Beetroot	Homemade Battered Fish or Fishcake with Chips & Garden Peas
2	Meat Free Burritos	Roasted Pepper & Cheese Tomato Quiche	Singapore Noodles	Vegetable & Cheese Quesadillas	Veggie Burger in a Bun with Chips & Garden Peas
3	Fresh Fruit Salad & Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Apple & Oat Crumble with Pouring Cream	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Cheese & Crackers, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt
	Chef's Special, Jacket Potatoes with Tuna, Cheese or Hummus & Salad, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt				

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.



Fidget Rules

Small tools... big support!

1 Only use one fidget at a time.



2 Do not let your fidget touch or distract other children.



3 Only use a fidget when you need support to focus.



4 Keep your eyes on the teacher or the board, not on the fidget.



5 If you are distracted by the fidget, the fidget will be taken from you.



Use your fidget, make it work for you!

Created by our Inclusion pupil leads

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timetable

Liverpool City Council

Clubmoor Childrens Centre-October Half Term

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spooktacular Stay & Play ***10.00-11.30am*** Join us for a spooktacular Stay & Play session. This spooktacular session will be filled with themed crafts, games and songs for all to enjoy. Ages 0-5yrs **Booking not needed.**	***Spooky Scavenger Hunt*** ***Norris Green Park*** ***1.30-2.45pm*** Get ready for a Halloween adventure! Children will explore the park on a spooky scavenger hunt, searching for spooky Halloween creatures and collecting some treats along the way. With creepy clues and mysterious surprises, this outdoor activity is perfect for little explorers. Ages 0-5yrs. Come dressed up (if you like) **Booking not needed**	***Spooky Storytime*** ***Norris Green Library*** ***10.30-11.15am*** Perfect for our tiniest Halloween fans. This gentle story session invites toddlers to enjoy fun, friendly tales about pumpkins, ghosts and magical creatures. Ages 0-5yrs **Booking not needed**	***Halloween Special- All About Baby*** ***9.30-10.30am*** Celebrate your babies first Halloween in style! This session includes sensory-friendly crafts pefect for little hands. Plus a cosy photo corner for adorable keepsake pics. Come dressed up (if you like). Under1's only! **Booking not needed.**	***Clubmoor Childrens Centre & Family Hubs 20th Anniversay Family Fun Day*** ***10.00am-1.30pm*** Join us to help celebrate our 20 year anniversary! The day will be filled with lots of fun and we can all make some amazing memories to celebrate this huge milestone. Come dressed up (if you like).
			***Halloween Special- Onesies*** ***11.00am-12.00pm*** A playful Halloween session designed for toddlers. Plus a themed photo corner for parents/carers to capture those special Halloween moments. Come dressed up (if you like). 1-2yrs only! **Booking not needed** ***SWAN Group*** ***1.45-2.45pm*** A sensory playgroup for children with additional needs. This session is Halloween themed. **Booking not needed.**	**Thank you to every family who has walked through our doors over the last 20 years. We are proud to have been part of your journey and grateful for the trust you've placed in us.**
LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH **Dads Club - 10am-12pm** Based in Clubmoor Children Centre, run alongside Everton in the Community. Dads club is a great opportunity for dads to spend quality time with their children. Dads club is held on the last Saturday of each month. **Down Syndrome Liverpool - Monthly Kids Club 12:30-2:30pm** A welcoming, supportive space just for children with Down syndrome and their families, featuring two groups: **Parent & Toddler (0-5 years)** **Primary/Junior (6-13 years)**		**Clubmoor Sensory Room** Using our sensory room is a great way to support your child's need for sensory input and stimulation and can be a great way to develop emotional regulation or just to relax, have fun and enjoy the space! **To book the Sensory Room contact our team.** **Open every day 9.30am - 3.30pm.**		**Clubmoor & Croxteth Children's Centre contact info:** Utting Avenue East, Liverpool, L11 1DQ. 0151 233 8500.

FREE

Halloween half term multi-sport session

Boccia and fun inclusive games across 2–3 activity stations. **Ages 5–16.** Led by qualified, DBS-checked coaches with lived experience of disability. Everyone welcome!



WHEN

Thursday 29th October

1–3pm

WHERE

Greenbank Sports Academy

Greenbank Lane, Liverpool L17 1AG

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