



Monksdown News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Parental Involvement

Thank you to all parents who have attended the Reading meetings this week for parents of children in Reception. I hope you found them useful and feel knowledgeable about how to support your child at home. Thanks to Mrs Hodgson for delivering the session. Currently, we are also holding a ten week parent Maths and English skills course **Wednesday Morning 9-am-12pm**. Although the sessions have already begun it is still not too late to join. Please see Miss Gough (Reception teacher) or email the school office should you wish to sign up.

Sporting News

Our cross country team displayed tremendous strength, stamina and skill at the recent race in Stanley Park. Well done to all our runners. On Tuesday, a group of children enjoyed a visit to Goodison Park this week and watched the mighty blues sadly (for some) get knocked out of the Carabao Cup in a dramatic penalty shout out.

Black History Month

October welcomes Black History month and as part of the celebrations some classes in KS2 took part in workshops delivered by Osun Arts Foundation. The children enjoyed a taster session of African Culture that combined music, dance and art.

Harvest

Our Harvest services will take place on Friday 12th October in school. This year will be supporting our local foodbank held at St Christopher's Church, Lorenzo Drive. We would kindly ask for donations of the following, which are urgently needed:

- Tinned Vegetables- tomatoes, carrots, peas, sweetcorn
- Beans
- Spaghetti/Noodles
- Packets of custard
- Jam
- Coffee
- Instant mashed potato
- Cup-a-soups
- Fruit Juice

Of course, all non-perishable items would be gratefully accepted.

"If you believe it will work out, you'll see opportunities. If you believe it won't, you will see obstacles." Pursue your dreams

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Gough

Attendance 24-28/10/18

Class	%
2P	100
6F	99.3
1U	99.3
2BY	98.3
1S	98.0
2A	97.9
5H	97.2
3LC	96.7
1B	95.7
4J	95.5
6W	95.0
BB	95.0
LL	95.0
FF	94.1
5S	94.0
3C	93.2
4A	91.7

Total 96.2%

★ Stars of the Week ★

NAM	Zoey Blom
NPM	Grace Allen
FF	Amrit Johal
LL	Madison Irvine
BB	Whole class
1U	Libby Walker
1B	Elle-Mai
1S	Igor Siennicki
2BY	Michalina Polczynska
2A	Lucy Wileman
2P	Denas Kuliesius
3C	Mason Williams
3LC	Sophie McArthur
3T	Iyla Chandler
4A	Grace McNally
4J	Valerie Vlachova
5H	Harry Wood
5S	Robert James
6F	Adam Shepherd

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 9 th October	Cross Country Race- Clarkes Gardens
Tuesday 9 th October	Soccer Academy Years 5 and 6- Literacy through football
Tuesday 9 th October	Reception Parents'- Maths drop in sessions- 9am
Wednesday 10 th October	Parents' Afternoon Years 1-6 1:30-6:30
Friday 12 th October	Harvest Celebrations
Monday 15 th October	Coniston Residential Trip
Wednesday 17 th October	Family Fun Event
Thursday 18 th October	Reception classes visit to Underwater Street
Friday 19 th October	Wear Red to school- Show Racism the Red Card
Friday 19 th October	Musical Concert
Friday 19 th October	Reception Classes- STAY and PLAY DAY
Friday 19 th October	Break up for Half Term at 2pm
Monday 29 th October	Return to school after half term break- 8:55am

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is really busy at the moment. Please only use this provision if you are working or in college.

All money for school photographs need to be in by the **19th October.**

Ginormous Giants

I'm sure you are all as excited as me about the final visit in the trilogy of the Royal De Lu Giant Spectacular. This promises to be a truly memorable occasion and I hope you all have a wonderful time.

One man and his spade

We have had just one volunteer to help with the garden area in school. Please, please if you have an hour to spare during the next couple of weeks we would be very grateful for your support. Please contact the office.

Homework Club

Due to great popularity of our Homework Club on Mondays with children from three year groups (Y1, Y2, Y3) a decision has been made to alter the day of our Monday's Homework Club for Y3. We now ask children from **Year 3 to attend Homework Club on Tuesdays.** The club is being held in Mrs Campbell's classroom and run by Mrs Mrozik.