

19th September 2025 Issue

Together Everyone Achieves More



23rd Sept	Early Reading/Phonics Workshop 6pm
24th Sept	Early Reading/Phonics Workshop 9am
25th Sept	Year 1 Wildlife Park Visit
2nd Oct	LKS2 Reading Breakfast
15th Oct	Flu Vaccinations
16th Oct	Drama club - Starlight Express Trip
23rd October	Last day of Term 1
3rd November	Start of Term 2



Attendance



Class attendance for 8th - 12th September

KS1: Mrs Potter 99.66%

KS2: Mr Bullock 99.67%

Overall school attendance: 97.72%

Oracy

Learning to speak is a huge part of a child's education and it's something we take very seriously here at Monkhouse Primary Academy! We have launched our new oracy curriculum by creating some fantastic oracy displays across the school: the children now have charters to follow and know the rules of being a good listener, speaker and partner. Year 2 and year 3 have enjoyed their first oracy assemblies over the last two weeks. It has been great to see them debating and using fantastic, loud and clear voices to share their ideas. Our two debates so far have been, 'Schools should have longer holidays' (year 2) and 'Monkhouse Primary should have a school dog.' (year 3). Even some of our quieter children spoke confidently and shared their strong opinions. Well done, Monkhouse!



Construction Club Years 1 & 2

Our budding builders have been busy! Using Lego, Kapla, Interstar, Magna-Tiles, and more, the children have been working together to design and create amazing structures. Check out what we've been up to!



Safeguarding Snippet

LEGO Resources to support online safety

Want to start talking to your child about safe gaming and safe screentime? Why not try this amazing resource from the Lego group. These resources are designed to support families with children aged 6 - 12 years.

[Gaming Online Safety for Families | Official LEGO Shop GB](#)



We kindly remind you that children should not be bringing toys from home into school, including small toys or keyrings attached to school bags. These items can cause distractions during the school day and may get lost or damaged.



Year 2 Lincoln Castle Visit

Year 2 visited Lincoln Castle as part of their topic, Kings, Queens and Castles. We were lucky enough to spot the Red Arrows getting ready to take off on our journey to Lincoln! We walked along the outer walls, spotting castle features and learning some of the history of Lincoln Castle. We took part in activities such as making shields, holding a medieval banquet and learning how to use a bow and arrow.



Reception Miss Frisby

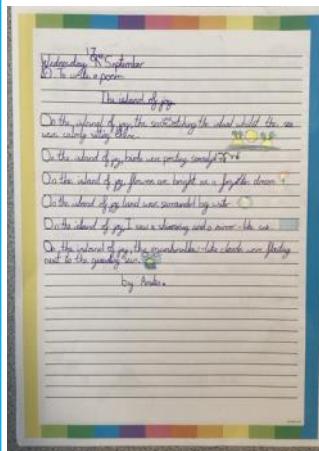
Early Reading Begins

We are so pleased with how well our Reception children have settled into school life. They have already begun reading in class and are showing such enthusiasm for their new learning journey. A big thank you to all parents who are supporting reading at home—we love seeing the wonderful entries in your children's reading journals! Your encouragement makes such a difference. As a reminder, we will be holding our Early Reading and Phonics Workshop on: Tuesday 23rd September at 6.00pm, or Wednesday 24th September at 9.00am. If you would like to attend, please complete a registration slip available at the front office or send via email. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

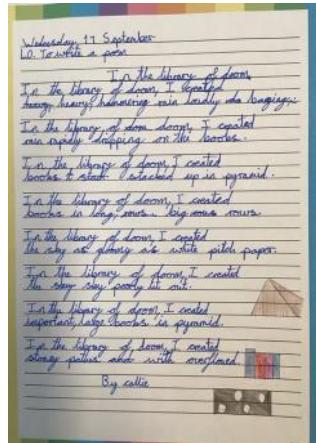


Yr 4 Mrs Jarvis

In Curlews this week, we have been writing poetry linked to Pie Corbett's City of Silence. I have been blown away by their creativity and some of their poems are incredible. I have



chosen two of my favourites to share with you, but I could have shared them all! I am so impressed by their ideas and figurative language. Well done year 4!



Yr 2 Mrs Potter

Kingfishers are taking part in Outdoor Learning this term. For their first session, the children worked in teams to design and make a flag using natural resources. They then built castles including



walls, a throne room or banqueting room and added some towers and turrets. Thankfully the weather was on our side this week.

Yr 6 Mrs Graves



Falcons have been learning about the concept of data packets (small parts of data shared between digital devices) in their computing lessons. They enjoyed simulating a similar process to sending data packets over a network.

Working in small groups, each child created their own 'packet' to combine to create a packet message. The children then spread out - those around the edge of the room were the computer systems and the children in the centre were the routers, passing information from one to another. They did very well, and all messages were received correctly!



Friday 12th September

Pupil of the Week

Lacey, Freddy, Alessia, Tyler, Patricia, Dominik, Luca, Ruby, Pixie, Lainee, Elissa, Ryan

Values

Prince, Conor, Jaxon, Klara, Ivy-Nevaeh, Amelia, Aleksander, Ethan, Mikolaj, David, Rokas, Lucifer, Nicole