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MONKSHOUSE PRIMARY ACADEMY

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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ATTENDANCE SNIPPET

Lateness

If a child misses the start of the day, they can miss work and do not spend time with their class teacher getting vital information and news for the day. Late arriving pupils also disrupt lessons, can be embarrassing for the child. Good timekeeping is a vital life skill which will help children as they progress through their school life and out into the wider world. The start of the school day is 8.45am (gates open at 8.40am) when registers are taken. If a child arrives after 8.50am (5 mins leeway given before gates close) they will need to enter school via the school office to sign themselves in providing the reason for being late and this will be recorded in the register as L (late). This is an authorised late which covers traffic issues/unavoidable situations. Lateness is authorised until 9.05am

If a child arrives after 9.05am, the process of signing in via the school office remains the same. The child will receive a mark that shows them to be on site but will not count as a present mark and this late arrival will be recorded as U in the registers. This is an unauthorised absence.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2nd Nov -	Start of Term 2
10th Nov -	Film Festival Trip - Ospreys
11th Nov -	Autumn Disco (details to follow)
18th Nov -	Film Festival Trip - Owls
23rd Nov -	Film Festival Trip - Falcons
24th Nov -	Film Festival Trip - Hawks
9th Dec -	Y1 Christmas Performance (pm)
9th Dec -	Y2 Christmas Performance (eve)
10th Dec -	Y1 Christmas Performance (eve)
10th Dec -	Y2 Christmas Performance (pm)
10th Dec -	Whole School Christmas Dinner
16th Dec -	Y3-Y6 Christmas Panto Trip
17th Dec -	Y1 & 2 Christmas Panto Trip

ATTENDANCE

CLASS ATTENDANCE FOR 12TH - 16TH OCTOBER 2026

KS1: MISS MOSCATIELLO	97.4%
KS2: MRS JARVIS & MRS ROBERTS	100%
OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:	97.3%

YEAR 5/6 FOOTBALL

On Tuesday 13th October, the Y5/6 boys' football season officially begun with Monkshouse hosting Crowland Southview. The boys made a fantastic start, going 1-0 up within the first 3 minutes with a wonderfully worked goal from Charlie. Monkshouse found themselves 2-1 down just before half time, then Filip scored an incredible goal to level it up going into half time. During the second half however, Crowland really flexed their muscles as they put a further 2 goals past us meaning our first game ended in a 4-2 defeat.

Our second match saw us facing off against an always formidable Eye primary. But the boys weren't phased by this and pulled together as a group to give it their best. They certainly gave their best, as by half time Monkshouse were 4-0 up! The boys knew the game wasn't over and went on to put a further two goals past the Eye team, ending the game with a 6-0 victory. Great football on show and wonderful team morale throughout, two more games to go, keep it up boys!

Parent Governor Vacancy

Would you like to help shape the future of our school?

We are seeking a committed and enthusiastic parent or carer to join our Governing Board as a Parent Governor. This is a valuable opportunity to contribute to the strategic development of our school, support our continued improvement and help ensure that every child receives the best possible education.

As a Parent Governor, you will work alongside other governors and school leaders to:

Monitoring educational standards and school improvement

Participate in planned academy monitoring visits linked to the academy improvement plan and the AMC's annual monitoring programme.

Monitor information relating to attendance, behaviour, exclusions, suspensions, pupil welfare and inclusion, as appropriate to the AMC's remit.

Bring an informed understanding of the experiences and perspectives of parents and carers to the committee.

Interested?

If you would like to find out more about the role, please submit an expression of interest with a small statement (max. 100 words) explaining why you would suit the role, to reply@monkshouse.co.uk by Friday 6th November.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY - 22ND OCTOBER

★★★★★ OUTSTANDING ★★★★★

Lennon, Martin, Emma, Eva, Mileja, Kajus, Nikita, Clara, Alexe, Amelia, Emma, Ruby, Aleksandra, Mijus

ALWAYS

Ava, Ariana, Julia, Sandra, Sofia, Lacey, Mathyas, Erika, Millie, Molly, Finley, Karina, Ava, Ellie

BOOK TOKEN

Hunter, Ella, Corey, Toto, Lucas, Conor, Maia, Lucas, Andrea, Marcus, Tamir, Jacob, Mikolaj, Daisy

SAFEGUARDING SNIPPET

Staying Safe While Trick-or-Treating This Half Term

With Halloween taking place during the half-term break, many children may be looking forward to dressing up and going trick-or-treating. If your family chooses to take part, please remember a few simple safety tips to help everyone have a fun and enjoyable evening.

🎃 Always go with a responsible adult or in a group with trusted friends.

🎃 Stay in well-lit areas and stick to familiar routes.

🎃 Wear bright or reflective clothing, or carry a torch so that you can be seen clearly by drivers and other road users.

🎃 Only visit homes where you are welcome and respect signs or decorations indicating that residents are not participating.

🎃 Take care when crossing roads and avoid using mobile phones while walking.

🎃 Check any treats before eating them and wait until you get home if possible.

🎃 Be respectful of neighbours and local residents.

We hope everyone enjoys a safe, fun-filled half term and a very Happy Halloween! 👻🦇🎃

POPPY APPEAL

Poppies and other items (ranging in price from £1 - £1.50) will be available to purchase in school at lunchtimes and in the mornings on the playground, the first week after half term. There are a limited amount of items available so, purchase will be on a first come, first served basis. Please allow your child to bring in a small amount of money if they wish to make a purchase. Please note we are unable to give any change because the money goes straight into the supplied donation boxes.

NURSERY

What a lovely term we have had in our Nursery! Our Monkshouse Minis have settled beautifully into their new surroundings, grown in confidence when separating from their grown-ups, and become increasingly independent as they explore their environment. We are beginning to build wonderful friendships, form meaningful relationships and discover what makes each of us special. Through our learning, we have celebrated our similarities and differences and explored the important message that we are all unique, special and important!



This week, we have embraced the beautiful season of Autumn! We learnt how some animals forage for food to prepare for the winter months and discovered how others hibernate. We went on our very own leaf hunt, collecting different colourful leaves in shades of red, orange, brown, yellow and green. We loved exploring their different textures, noticing which leaves were crispy and which felt smooth.



Our creativity continued as we used crayons to make beautiful leaf rubbings and explored printing leaves and pine cones into playdough, discovering the wonderful patterns and marks they left behind.

Our focus story was The Bear Snores On, which inspired us to create our very own winter forest. As we played, we enthusiastically revisited the story's repeated phrases, bringing the characters and story to life through our imaginative play.



What a wonderful term of growing, exploring and learning together! We are so proud of how far our little learners have come as they continue to discover themselves, celebrate one another and grow into confident, independent individuals.

YEAR 2 - KINGFISHERS

In computing, Kingfishers have been thinking about making the right choices regarding information technology. We recapped world mental health day and what it means to look after our mental and physical health. For a healthy diet, we need a balanced diet and for a healthy mind we also need balance when it comes to IT. To practice finding this balance, we took part in a range of activities such as mindful colouring, connecting with friends, sharing ideas and instructions when using programs and being active.







YEAR 3 - PUFFINS

This week in maths we have been continuing our learning of subtraction that requires exchanging. We took part in a maths challenge with our partner and loved working out our calculations on our desks! It was great fun and we did really well.



YEAR 6 - OSPREYS

Ospreys have thoroughly enjoyed reading Part 1 of their guided reading text, *Holes*, this term! The children have been captivated by the mysterious events unfolding at Camp Green Lake and are eager to discover what happens next. This week, we swapped our reading hats for detective hats and created our very own detective boards, gathering clues and making connections between the past and present. There have been some fantastic theories, and we can't wait to see if our detectives have cracked the mystery!

