

# Newsletter 27

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## Welcome Back

I do hope you enjoyed a restful Easter break, making the most of the glorious sunshine, light evenings and the warm Spring weather, plus the opportunity to eat lots of chocolate eggs.

It has been a very short week but already there is so much happening across the school and it promises to be a busy term ahead. Please check the diary dates for information about events which will be taking place across the term. We will, of course, be sharing lots of information about the many exciting activities the children will be taking part in via the newsletter each week. Don't forget to also check out the class pages on the school web site for photographs and reports about the children's learning.

A big welcome to all our new families who have joined us recently. We hope you are already feeling part of the Monkfield Park family.

Mrs Howell

## Book Your Lunch

Please could we politely remind you to book your child's school lunches for the next half term? Booking in advance helps to avoid children becoming upset when they may not be able to have the full choice of meals if you haven't pre-booked. The kitchen staff always try to accommodate everyone but ordering in advance helps everyone.

## Nut Oil in Sunscreen



**KIDS PROTECT & CARE  
COLOURED SPRAY SPF  
50+**

As the weather becomes warmer and the sun becomes stronger, it is advisable to send children to school with a suitable sun hat and sun screen.

It has come to our attention that Nivea Kids Protect and Care Coloured Spray SPF 50+ has been reformulated and now contains almond oil as an active ingredient. We have a number of children in school who have a severe allergy to nuts and coming into contact with substances that contain nut oils, including almond oil, can induce a severe allergic reaction resulting in anaphylactic shock.

Please can we ask that you check the ingredients of all products, including sun screen and sun cream before sending them into school. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## Join the Monkfield Park Team

### **Teaching Assistant (Level 2 pay scale) & Midday Supervisor**

We are looking for enthusiastic, caring professionals who are highly motivated and passionate about children's learning and well-being to support children across the setting (2 to 11 year olds). You will be flexible, patient, have a can-do/roll up your sleeves attitude, together with a cheerful welcoming disposition to support the varying needs, challenges and ages of our children, who are the reason why we are here!

Teaching Assistant 25 hours per week – 9.00 am to 12 noon, 1.25 pm to 3.25 pm, daily, term time only.

Midday Supervisor 5 hours per week – 12.25 pm to 1.25 pm, daily, term time only.

We have enthusiastic children, supportive parents and governors, as well as positive engagement with other local schools and the wider community. You will be part of a supportive, hardworking team based in a well-resourced building in the developing town of Cambourne. Staff development/coaching (both external and internal, individual and group) to meet the needs of our children is high on our agenda, together with regular team meetings, close liaison with the Inclusion Co-ordinator and the teaching staff.

We had our Ofsted Inspection in November 2018 where the school was judged as good. The Inspector found that "Children have positive attitudes to learning" and "Good relationships between pupils and with adults contribute to pupils' strong progress". The Inspector also stated that "Staff are proud to work at the school and want the very best for the pupils that they teach".

Monkfield Park Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The above post is subject to an enhanced DBS check. We are a two form entry primary school with extended school facilities.

Please call for an application pack. CV applications will not be considered.

Visits to the school are very welcome - please contact the school office.

We look forward to you joining our team. This advertisement will be live on a rolling basis until the positions have been filled.

Shortlisting – weekly basis

Interview – by invitation



# Headteacher Roll of Honour

Each week this space will provide a celebration of children who may be especially noticed for demonstrating learning or behaviour that we feel should be recognised and commended. This week I would like to congratulate:

Emilia in Orange Class: Emilia loves learning and has impressed us all with her beautiful writing this week when she recounted her visit to Cambridge to see some fossils. We are so proud of you Emilia.

Ayla in Phoenix Class: Ayla has been doing amazing things in maths this week. She has gained so much confidence in her learning and approaches every task with a beautiful smile on her face, Thank you for making your class such a happy place to learn.

Nadine in Pegasus Class: Nadine's attitude to her learning is exemplary. She is always determined to do her best and impressed everyone with her dedication and focus over the Easter break. Well done for working so hard. Nadine.

## Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child to choose a number between 11 and 20 and count out the same amount of toys to match.

Ask your Year 1 child to describe the animal they think was in the mystery egg in the courtyard.

Ask your Year 2 child to tell you all about 3D shapes.

Ask your Year 3 child to explain the science investigation we have set up this week.

Ask your Year 4 child to tell you all the different things Hamid, from Sugarcane Juice, might see from the bus window.

Ask your Year 5 child to discuss different ways in which drugs can be categorised.

Ask your Year 6 child to explain what a shadow is.

## Welcome to Monkfield Park

We would like to extend a big Monkfield Park welcome to Mrs Cayley and Mrs Lennon who have joined the teaching team this week.



Mrs Lennon is the new Indigo Class teacher, Key Stage 1 Team Leader and the English lead.

Mrs Cayley is our new Pupil Premium Champion and will be working with children across the school.

Please do say hello when you see them on the playground.



## **FORTHCOMING DATES**

25th to 29th	April International Week
29th April	Cygnus Class Assembly
2nd May	May Bank Holiday
9th to 12th May	Key Stage 2 SATS week
17th May	Reception Summer performance at 10am
18th May	Reception Summer performance at 2pm
23rd to 27th May	PGL week for Year 6
27th May	Break up for Half Term
6th June	INSET Day
7th June	INSET Day
8th June to 10th June	Eco week
10th June	Phoenix Class Assembly
10th June	The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations
13th to 17th June	STEM week
17th June	Class photographs
21st June	Year 3 performance at 2pm
22nd June	Reception and KS1 Sports Day (Reserve Sports day on 24th June)
22nd June	New Reception parents' evening
23rd June	Year 3 performance at 2pm
28th June	Key Stage 2 Sports Day (Reserve Sports Day on 29th June)
1st July	Lacerta Class assembly
7th July 8th July	Reports sent out to parents and carers
11th July	Reports Drop In session for parents
11th to 15th July	Healthy Lifestyles Week
13th July	Year 6 performance at 6pm
14th July	Year 6 performance at 6pm
20th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
21st July	Last day of the Summer term and school year





Join us for our first  
free community  
conference!

The lectures are  
open to all and will  
be hosted at CamVC  
and streamed via  
Microsoft Teams.

Community  
Conference

29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> April  
2022

## FREE COMMUNITY CONFERENCE

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

2pm-3pm: Dr James Crossland (Liverpool John Moores University): *The First War on Terror: Bomb-Throwers, Spies and Panic in the Victorian Age*

3.30pm-4.30pm: Professor Malcolm Gaskill: *Witches on the Frontier: A Seventeenth-Century American Tragedy*

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

11.30am-12.30pm: Professor Penelope M. Allison (University of Leicester): *Pompeian houses and households: the archaeology of Roman families*

1pm-2pm: Chris Thatcher (Oxford Archaeology): *Cambourne's Archaeology*

2.30pm-3.30pm: Professor Carenza Lewis (University of Lincoln): *Digging pandemics - how to find the Black Death in a garden near you*

Find out more  
information & register  
your interest here:



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**CAMBOURNE**  
VILLAGE COLLEGE

A big 'Welcome Back' to everyone and a particularly warm welcome to the 4 new families starting with us this term. We hope you had a lovely Easter Break and enjoyed the lovely sunshine. The children have settled back really well and been excited to tell us all their holiday news. This week they have thoroughly enjoyed spending lots of time playing in the garden now that the mud has all dried up! Long may it continue!

### Home Injuries

Please can we remind parents and carers that it is important for you to tell us if your child has sustained an injury at home, such as a head bump or significant graze. It is part of our required safeguarding duties to record all home accidents to ensure the children's safety. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

### Rabbit Room News

This week we have continued to learn about baby animals born in Spring Time. We have started to learn the special names of some of the animals such as 'lamb', 'piglet', 'calf', 'kid', 'foal', duckling' and 'chick'. We have really enjoyed listening to the story 'Dora's Eggs' as well as learning a song called 'I'm a Spring Chicken'.

The children have also been busy gardening and making our garden look beautiful! Many thanks to the Friends of Monkfield Park who have donated our flowers and pots. The children really enjoy caring for plants and watering them and it is a great learning opportunity.

