

# Newsletter 12

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**Year 6 Hands on Science visit**

Defeating gravity, explosions and computerised robots were all part of the science hands-on day that the Year 6 children were lucky enough to participate in this week. Students from Cambridge University shared their experiments and the children learnt a variety of scientific phenomenon. After the event, the children shared what they learnt and how they were inspired to investigate some of these further.



**Fundraising for the poppy appeal**

The British Legion contacted us to say a very big thank you for the £56.37 which was raised from the school selling Remembrance Day poppies, badges and wristbands.

## **Head Teacher roll of honour**

Luca in Pegasus Class—Luca has shown thought and care with our younger children this week. He has shown himself to be a caring member of our school community.

Gopika in Yellow Class—Gopika has impeccable manners at all times and is a gentle friend to others.

Charli in Indigo Class—Charli quietly goes about her business, trying her best in everything she does because she has such high standards.

**Reception become superheroes**

This week, Reception have been learning all about famous superheroes and the amazing skills and powers that they have. They took the opportunity to take a trip to the park opposite school, to use the space and equipment to practise moving like superheroes themselves. Running, jumping, spinning and balancing were just some of the ways the children showed that they were true superheroes themselves.



### Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child to set themselves a challenge of doing something in one minute e.g. getting changed into their pyjamas.

Ask your Year 1 child to name and describe different types of pets.

Ask your Year 2 child how medical care was different in Victorian times, compared to that of today.

Ask your Year 3 child to tell you what they know about cave paintings from the Stone Age.

Ask your Year 4 child to name as many sources of fresh water as they can.

Ask your Year 5 child to summarise a chapter of the book they are reading.

Ask your Year 6 child what they have learnt from their hands-on science visit.

### Forthcoming dates

13th December 10am—Year 3/4 carol concert

19th December—Christmas lunch

14th December 9.30am—Reception ‘come and share’ event

20th December—Christmas parties

14th December 2pm—Year 3/4 carol concert

20th December—Last day of term

15th December 2pm—Year 1 nativity

21st December—Christmas holidays begin

15th December 6pm—Year 3/4 carol concert

4th January INSET day (school closed to children)

16th December 10am—Year 1 nativity

5th January—All children return

In the afternoon, what is your favourite snack?

A.) Fruit

B.) Yoghurt

C.) Chocolate biscuits

### Help us to become a Healthy School

**Gimme five! Eat fruits and vegetables with each meal and as tasty snacks!**

Fruits and vegetables are among the most important food for giving us enough vitamins, minerals and fibre. We should all try to eat at least 5 servings a day. For example, a glass of fruit juice at breakfast, perhaps an apple and banana as snacks and two vegetables at mealtimes. Then you have already reached your total.



### Friends of Monkfield Park



#### **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER 7 – 9PM**

Pop down and get some amazing Christmas presents from the wonderful stalls. If you have any items suitable for raffle prizes please drop them into the school office for the attention of “friends”.



#### **MINI UNIFORM**

We have a stock of “mini” Monkfield Uniform available to dress Teddies and Dolls. This will be available for sale at the Christmas Shopping Evening.



#### **CHRISTMAS CRAFTERNOON**

Pop along to the Christmas Crafternoon in the **Activity Hall** on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 3.30 – 5pm**. Please note, no pushchairs are allowed in school.



#### **EASY FUNDRAISING**

Do you shop online? Do it through [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and raise a free donation for Monkfield Park every time you shop. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/monkfieldparkprimaryschoolcambourne/>

### Traffic measures near Monkfield Park

We would like you to know that we've been informed that the installation of a zebra crossing and junction alterations will be taking place near Monkfield Park. In order to inform you of alterations and possible disruption in the area, we have been informed of the planned work programme as per the information below. Underneath this information you will be able to see a drawing showing the work to be carried out on a location map. If you have any queries about this work then please contact Andrew Cole at Vine Technical Services Ltd on 01767 699294. This is something which has been instigated by external sources to the school and therefore we do not have an influence over the matter.

The work will proceed as follows:

- Compound set up to commence 12th December 2016. The idea is to have it fully ready to facilitate the start on site early in the New Year.
- Roadworks to commence 9th January 2016.
- Duration of works, 12 weeks (from 9th January).

