

Newsletter 32

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Year 3 and Reception gather together for story telling

Year 3 have spent this term writing their own version of James and the Giant Peach. They were very proud of their stories and made them into books with front covers, contents pages and a blurb! They were so proud of their work that we thought it would be nice for them to read their stories to KS1 so we did this on the Thursday before the half term break. We put 10 children in each class across Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and they read their stories to small groups of children.



Year 4 residential to Burwell House

The Year 4 children were not deterred by their rainy start to their residential at Burwell House this year at all. They rolled up their sleeves and put their creative minds to work on day one, where they made corn dollies, enamelled keyrings, batik bags and clay sculptures. During the breaks in weather, they were able to explore the wonderful grounds. Day two was much kinder and the children were able to take part in the planned outdoor



activities such as team building and a nature trail. They all had a thoroughly adventurous time. Thank you to our amazing staff who accompanied them.



Monkfield's Musical Maestros!



As we have so much musical talent at Monkfield Park we have decided to celebrate this during our assemblies, every fortnight, on Friday mornings. The 'Musician of the Fortnight' will play their musical instrument in front of the school and the children will give their positive feedback. We hope this will give the children playing further confidence but also enable the audience to appreciate their talent and show support. We have had three very brave volunteers to trial this at the start of the Summer term. So far Betty (Year 4), Artemy (Year 6) and Serena (Year 5) have all played the piano. We have not only been absolutely amazed by the talent and bravery of the children playing, but also proud of the children in the audience for understanding how nervous the children playing may be and giving them such positive feedback. So far we have had comments from the children such as, "Listening to the music on a real piano was very relaxing." Luca—Year 3. "The music brought back memories of my Grandma." Ethan—Year 5. The children are both enjoying playing in front of their friends but also listening and supporting them. If children wish to be a 'Musical Maestro' we are currently starting with children who have music lessons and can play a short (or longer) piece of music. Please sign up on the sign up sheet stuck on the music board. We look forward to hearing more talent this term! Look out for our 'Musician of the Fortnight' report in the newsletter.

Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child to name as many minibeasts as they can in one minute.

Ask your Year 1 child to tell you when it gets to half past the hour.

Ask your Year 2 child to tell you about hurricanes.

Ask your Year 3 child to tell you an interesting fact about Europe.

Ask your Year 4 child who or what the fox was at Burwell House.

Ask your Year 5 child to describe the tension between the 'muggle' (ordinary) world and the magical (wizard) world in the first few chapters of Harry Potter.

Ask your Year 6 child which party they would vote for and why.

Head Teacher roll of honour

Ethan in Aquila Class—Ethan exuded new confidence whilst he was on the Year 4 residential and it was lovely to see how he came out of his shell.

Maaya in Lacerta Class—Maaya has a consistent approach to her learning—always showing that she will make her best efforts and be conscientious in her work.

Friends of Monkfield Park

SUMMER FETE : SATURDAY 17 JUNE - Have you had a clear out over half term?

We would love to take any donations of good quality clean items we could use on our stalls:

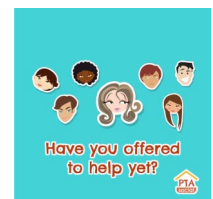
- Teddies/soft toys
- Raffle donations
- Unwanted gifts
- Bottles of anything for our hoopla stall (drinks, ketchup, bubble bath, etc)

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO VOLUNTEER AT THE FETE—Do you have a spare 30 mins? Could you assist with setting up or clearing away at the end of the fete? Could you man a stall for 30 mins?

We would love to hear from you. Drop us an email at friendsofmonkfield-park@gmail.com or via our Facebook page.



EASYFUNDRAISING—Have you booked your Summer holiday yet? If not, why not do it via Easyfundraising and raise funds for the school. You can earn up to £40 for the school by shopping through this link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/monkfieldparkprimaryschoolcambourne>



September 2017— school meal costs

Please be advised that as from 1st September 2017, the cost of a school meal will rise to £2.30. School meals remain free of charge for children from Reception to Year 2.

Forthcoming dates

w/c 12th June—Year 1 phonics checks

14th June—Year 5 visit Audley House

14th June 6pm—New Reception parents' evening

17th June—Summer fete

20th June—Year 4 Mini Olympics festival

21st June (a.m.) - Key Stage 2 sports day

23rd June (a.m.) - Key Stage 2 reserve sports day

27th June (a.m.) - Reception & Key Stage 1 sports day

30th June (a.m.) - Reception & Key Stage 1 reserve sports day

4th July 2pm—Year 6 performance

5th July 6pm—Year 6 performance

12th July (a.m.) Reception come and share event

14th July—Class swap morning

14th July—Reports sent home to families

17th July 3.30pm—Reports drop in for parents

19th July 10 am—Year 6 Leaver assembly

19th July—Year 6 Leaver party

20th July—Last day of term for children (end of term lunch)

21st July—INSET day (school closed to children)



Parenting courses

Because children don't come with instructions

Parenting Workshops
Monkfield Park Primary School

Aimed at offering Mum's and Dad's of children aged 4-11 years a supportive, informal environment, in which to gain information, knowledge and skills around parenting issues.

Parenting Styles – Tuesday 2nd May, 2pm-3pm
Parents Drop-In – Tuesday 6th June, 2pm-3pm
Understanding Challenging Behaviour- Tuesday 13th June, 2pm-3pm
Drop-In- Tuesday 27th June 2.00pm-3.00pm
Effective Discipline- Tuesday 11th July 2pm-3pm

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SureStart

Healthy Eating Recipe—Pork tortilla wraps

400g pork fillet (trimmed and cut into strips)

1 teaspoon cumin

1 teaspoon smoked paprika

1 each of red, yellow and green peppers (de-seeded and sliced)

1 red onion, peeled and roughly cut

3 cloves of garlic

150g cherry tomatoes

½ bunch of coriander

2 teaspoons olive oil

4 wholemeal tortilla wraps



Method:

1. Peel and crush the garlic and mix with the peppers, onion and half the olive oil, roast at 130C until soft.

2. Mix the pork, cumin and paprika with a little salt— allow to rest for an hour before grilling (ensure that the pork is cooked through).

3. Cut the cherry tomatoes in half, chop the coriander and mix together with the rest of the olive oil to make a salsa.

4. Warm the wraps gently and assemble with the other ingredients.