

Newsletter 5

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Term Dates

The pre-school closes for Christmas at 15:00 on Friday

18th December and

re-opens on Tuesday 5th January 2021 at 09:00.

We are closed on Monday 4th January 2021 for a training day in line with the Monkfield Park Primary School.

Our Christmas Holiday Club will be open from Monday 21st to Thursday 24th December from 08:00 until 18:00 daily. Sessions are charged by the hour so you can book to suit your needs.

The pre-school will close for half term on Friday 12th February and re-open on Monday 22nd February 2021.



Hedgehog Room News

Here are some of the lovely firework pictures that our children have been making, to celebrate Guy Fawkes.

This week the children in Hedgehog Room have been looking at Diwali - the Festival of Light. We have been making lanterns and Rangoli rice pictures. We have also been watching CBeebies to learn about the story of Rama and Sita.

Rabbit Room News

This week we have been learning about Diwali.


We learnt about rangoli patterns made from colourful sand or rice and then made our own beautiful patterns by sprinkling sand onto glue.

We have learnt a Diwali song and had great fun doing some Indian dancing.



Next, we are planning to make some clay diva pots to add to our beautiful display.

Happy Diwali and a prosperous New Year to all of our Hindu families!



PARENTS CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations

Thank you to everyone who has requested a telephone consultation with their child's Key Person next week.

You should have received an email confirming the date and time of your appointment.

If you haven't please let us know. If you haven't requested a consultation and would like one please call us on 01954 273301 or send an email to clcoffice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk to request an appointment.

Your child's Key Person will ring you at the specified time using the contact number we have on our records for you. If you have changed your number recently and not informed us please do this prior to your consultation. Please note the appointments are for 10 minutes per child. If there is anything you would like to discuss which will take longer an additional appointment can be made.

September 2021 Reception Class Places

The application process for children due to start primary school in September 2021 began on 10th September 2020.

The national closing date for applications is 15 January 2021

Any applications received after this time will be late and considered only in May 2021, after all "on-time" applications, so it is very important that parents do apply by the closing date.

Parents/Carers are invited to contact Monkfield Park Primary School on 01954 273377 or by email office@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk to arrange a virtual Reception tour prior to making their decision on which school to choose and submitting their application.



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Smile.Amazon

The Friends of Monkfield Park (our Parent/Staff Association) work very hard throughout the year to raise money for the school and Care &

Learning Centre. If you shop on Amazon please consider signing up to Smile.Amazon.

Each time you shop a donation will be made to the 'Friends'. This doesn't cost you anything - all you have to do is select 'Friends of Monkfield Park' as your chosen charity and remember to open Smile.Amazon when you order.

Children in Need 2021

A big thank you to everyone who donated towards this year's Children in Need event on Friday 13th November. Children and adults came to pre-school dressed in combinations of the colours red, yellow, green and blue and we collected £70.00 for the appeal.



Transitions

From w/c 30th November our children in Hedgehog Room who have turned 3 or will be turning 3 by the end of December will start their transition process to the 3 & 4 year old rooms.

These children will become part of 'Squirrel' Group.

You will shortly be informed of who your child's new Key Person will be. This person will visit your child in Hedgehog Room before the children have visits to their new room where they will take part in a range of activities and meet all the adults they will see each day from January.



Hot Meal Accounts

If you have an account for your child to have hot meals please be reminded that your account is required to stay in credit.

Please check your account regularly to ensure this happens.

To check your account details and make payments please visit www.live-kitchen.co.uk

Meals can be booked up to a half term in advance and you must make any cancellations by 08:55 on the day the meal is no longer required.