

Newsletter 4

Friday 30th September 2016

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We are collecting jars!

Between now and the beginning of December we would like to collect as many clean, empty jars as possible for a Christmas project we will be completing with all of our Key Stage 2 children. If you have any old, clean, screw top jars which have had the labels removed then Monkfield Park would gratefully receive them. It would be best if any donations could be passed either directly to the office or to the class teacher so that children aren't bringing glass into school via their bags, etc. Each child will require a jar so the more we have, the better. Thank you.



Results of parent governor elections

Following our recent round of parent governor elections, Mrs Susan Palmer and Mrs Joanne Dickson have been elected. Three vacancies existed and there were two nominations, which have therefore become automatic and did not require a ballot. One parent governor vacancy remains and another election will take place soon.

Morning drop off

When you are dropping off children in the morning, please ensure that they remain in the care of an accompanying adult until the teacher has arrived at 8.50 am. We have had some occasions where children have been left in the playground to make their own way to the classrooms. Thank you.

Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child to hunt for three or more leaves and put them in order of size.

Ask your Year 1 child to describe the difference between a mammal and a fish.

Ask your Year 2 child what they have been reading in guided reading.

Ask your Year 3 child to describe the properties of as many rocks as possible.

Ask your Year 4 child to multiply a tens number by a ones number.

Ask your Year 5 child to explain how we describe the place value of numbers with up to five digits and two decimal places.

Ask your Year 6 child why they agree or disagree with selective breeding.

Head Teacher roll of honour

Emily in Indigo Class—Emily has a really positive attitude to her learning and our behaviour expectations. She is even helping others to remember these. Well done Emily.

Lacey in Indigo Class—Lacey has had some wonderful and thoughtful contributions to make during our assemblies this week.

Ruiraidh in Cygnus Class—For being a wonderfully supportive friend and also improving your commitment to writing.

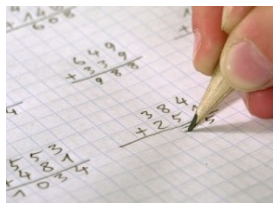
Harvest festival reminder

Following a letter to our families last week, please don't forget that next week is Harvest Festival in school. As part of this we will be collecting donations for the Cambridge City Food Bank. If you are able to donate any of the following items during week commencing Monday 3rd October then we will be passing them on to the Food Bank:

- Canned items such as soups, vegetables and fruit
- Snacks, crisps, biscuits, chocolate, cakes etc.
- Teabags, coffee, drinking chocolate, fruit squash
- Dried milk powder
- Pasta

Please do not send cereals, out of date, fresh or perishable food items. Thank you.

WEEKLY HOMEWORK DROP IN FOR PARENTS



Struggling to understand your child's homework? Confused by how best to help your child at home? We know and understand that the curriculum has new demands and expectations for your child and we're here to help. Mrs Howell runs a weekly drop in session for any parent who would like assistance with home learning. EVERY FRIDAY BETWEEN 9.30AM—10.30AM she is available with no appointment necessary to help with homework gripes or difficulties. Don't worry in silence or struggle on unsupported.



Forthcoming dates

w/c 3rd October—Harvest Festival Week

5th October 6pm—Maths evening for Reception parents

7th October 9am—Violet Class assembly

12th October from 5pm—Parent consultation evening (more details to follow)

13th October 1.30pm—Reception 'come and share' event

14th October 9am—Blue Class assembly

17th October—Individual children's photographs

18th October—Flu vaccinations for Years 1, 2 and 3 children (more details to follow)

20th October from 4pm—Parent consultations (more details to follow)

w/c 24th October—half term (children return on 31st October)

11th November 9am—Phoenix Class assembly

18th November at 9am—Indigo Class assembly

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

14th December 9.30am—Reception 'come and share' event

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

15th December 2pm—Year 1 nativity

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

16th December 10am—Year 1 nativity

19th December—Christmas lunch

20th December—Christmas parties

20th December—Last day of term

21st December—Christmas holidays begin

4th January—INSET day (school closed to children)

5th January—All children return

Friends of Monkfield Park

AGM

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our AGM will take place on **Friday 21st October at 9.15am**. Refreshments will be served and there will be quiet activities for younger siblings you may have with you. Please do join us to find out what we do and how you might be part of it. Letters were sent home last week regarding the election of a new committee for this school year. Please get in touch if you would like to find out more about the various roles.

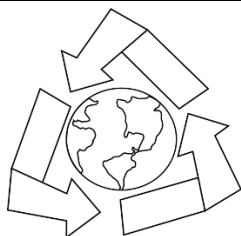


BAG2SCHOOL

The next collection will be **Thursday 13th October at 9am**. BAGS DUE TO COME HOME SHORTLY, PLEASE FILL WITH:

Men's, Ladies and Children's clothing
Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
Handbags, Hats, Bags, Scarves and ties
Jewellery, Lingerie, Belts
Soft toys

<http://www.bag2school.com/u/>



PRINTER CARTRIDGE RECYCLING/FOREIGN COINS

We collect empty branded printer cartridges for recycling. There is a collection box in the school office.

We also collect foreign coins of any currency. These can be left with the school office.



CONTACT US

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