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Sun cream

We are ever hopeful that soon we will be enjoying some glorious weather and have noted that some children have brought sun cream into school. We request that sun cream is applied prior to the school day at home, and that bottles brought into school are named with first and second names. These can then be passed onto the class teacher who will store them in their classroom cupboards so that, if necessary, children can top up their own sun cream before going outside.

Unwanted games, puzzles and indoor equipment

Do you have any board games, complete puzzles or indoor play equipment (such as Lego) that could be used for rainy days at Monkfield Park? If you do and you are willing to donate them, then please pass them on to your child's class teacher so that we can put them to good use for wet play breaks. A great way to have a half term sort out. Thank you!

Year 6 enjoy PGL residential

Today, our Year 6 children returned somewhat exhausted following their very exciting and, at times, exhilarating residential known as PGL, which stands for 'Parents Get Lost'! Their 5 day visit involved all manner of outdoor adventurous activities by day and even included a pyjama quiz disco by night. Although a few of the days were a bit soggy, the children remained undeterred and attempted many new things such as canoeing, high rope climbing and many more challenges. Children who remained in school tried their hand at planning sporting activities for our younger children as part of a project they ran in school. The PGL staff were hugely complimentary about our Year 6 children and the did us all proud. For more pictures, please use the tab marked 'PGL 2017' on the school website.



Mathletics update

The children at Monkfield Park simply love learning all that they can about Maths and, by logging onto Mathletics, they are also doing this in a fun, enjoyable and sociable way. The report for the Spring term is adjacent, which shows how much of an impact this is having upon children's achievements. The children in our school are always very proud when they receive a certificate to reward their efforts. Mathletics is a program which can be used either at home or at school and if your child has misplaced or forgotten their username and password, then please speak to your child's class teacher. Participants are able to set their own challenges and can even compete with other children across the globe.

Monkfield Park Primary School
Your Mathletics report: Spring term 2017

Mathletics

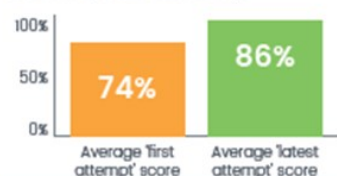
Please find below your personal school report detailing your school's Mathletics usage and achievements for the Spring term.

Curriculum progress and mastery

66.67% of teachers assigning tasks	Teachers at Monkfield Park Primary School have assigned 3728 curriculum activities	Students at Monkfield Park Primary School have answered 68,940 curriculum questions	Repetition of activities is proven to drive better understanding and results. Achieving >85% on a topic means students attain Concept Mastery . Take a look at how your students are progressing:		
			Results >85% 4,098	Results 84%-50% 2,121	Results <50% 675

Student improvement

See how much students at Monkfield Park Primary School are improving, by comparing their first attempt at an activity to their latest attempt.



On average, students improved by 15% last term.

Success and awards

Students achieving more than 1,000 points in a single week receive an award certificate. Certificates are continuous records of achievement which are based on a bronze, silver and gold scale.



That's a total of 342 certificates awarded to your students last term.

Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child about why we have bones in our bodies.

Ask your Year 1 child what the differences are between a dandelion root and a daisy root.

Ask your Year 2 child to speak only in exclamation sentences.

Ask your Year 3 child how to find the perimeter of a 2-D shape using a ruler.

Ask your Year 4 child to tell you about Anne Frank.

Ask your Year 5 child what William Morris is famous for.

Ask your Year 6 child about a challenge they overcame at PGL.

Head Teacher roll of honour

Fabio in Lacerta Class—Fabio has been a good role model to one particular friend of late. He has used his own experiences to help someone else to make their own improvements.

Amealia in Phoenix Class—Amealia has produced the most outstanding Victorian house as part of her homework project. It included lots of detail and effort upon her behalf. Well done Amealia.

Friends of Monkfield Park

NON UNIFORM DAY—"Bring a bottle" to school on Friday 9th June and you don't have to wear school uniform. We are looking for any type of bottles (no alcohol please) including drinks, ketchup, bubble bath, etc.

All bottles donated will be used at our Summer Fete.



SUMMER FETE : SATURDAY 17 JUNE—Are you having a clear out over the 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 wine
- Bottles of anything for our hoopla stall (drinks, ketchup, bubble bath, etc)

Are you able to help run a stall or game at our Summer Fete?

Please sign up on PTA Social <http://service.ptasocial.com/register/FOMP>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bake Sale	Friday 9 June
Non Uniform Day (bring a bottle)	Friday 9 June
Summer Fete	Saturday 17 June

Further details on all events will be sent out in due course



Lost property collection

Please don't forget that before school next Wednesday 24th May, that there will be a lost property collection outside of school, in front of the sheds located between the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 playgrounds (weather permitting). Please come along to browse any items that may have been lost or misplaced so that these can be re-united with their rightful owner.

Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre Holiday Club

The Care & Learning Centre operates a Holiday Club during school holiday periods.

Holiday Club sessions are charged by the hour from 8.00 am until 6.00 pm daily which enables parents/carers to book hours to suit their needs (the minimum chargeable unit is one hour).

Children attending for full days or over lunchtime will need to bring a nut-free packed lunch. Also, we cannot heat or re-heat items sent in from home.

The cost of the Holiday Club will be £4.80 per child per hour for children aged 3 to 11 years and £5.41 per hour for children aged from 2 until the term after their third birthday.

(A one-off registration fee applies to register a child at the Care & Learning Centre).

The schedule for May half-term is detailed below.

May Half-Term Holiday Club Schedule 2017

Time and Date	10.00 am -12 noon	1.00 pm - 3.00 pm	3.30 pm - 5.00 pm	5.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Tuesday 30th May Mad Science Day	Concoctions Corner	Slime-ing Around!!	Static Magic	Making Parachutes
Wednesday 31st May Let's Get Physical	Outdoor Expedition	Obstacle Circuits	Newspaper Challenges	Team Games
Thursday 1st June Artist at Work	Giant Outdoor Paintings	Wax-Resist Creations	Creative Collages	Creative Colouring
Friday 2nd June The Natural World	Make a Miniature Garden	Treasure Hunt Challenge	Stick it!!!	Cloud Watching

If you would like to book any sessions or have any questions about the Holiday Club please do not hesitate to contact the Care & Learning Centre on 01954 273301 or by email clcof-fice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk

Forthcoming dates

22nd May—Indigo class visit Woolsthorpe Manor
24th May—Violet class visit Woolsthorpe Manor
24th May 4pm—Year 4 Burwell House information event
24th May (pm) - Reception Come & Share event
25th May—Class photos
w/c 29th May—HALF TERM
5th June—INSET DAY (school closed to children)
6th June—Children return
6th & 7th June—Year 4 residential to Burwell House
7th June 6pm—Year 5 & 6 Sex and Relationships
Information evening for parents
9th June at 9am—Dorado Class assembly
9th June after school—Friends cake sale
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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Healthy Eating recipes

Turkey 'Burgers'

(Serves 2)

300g Turkey mince (thigh is best)
10g Dried mixed herbs
1 Small onion (finely chopped)
1 Clove crushed garlic
30g Breadcrumbs
4 Flat mushrooms
5g Chilli powder
5g Salt

Method:

- First, lightly fry onions and garlic.
- Then, add herbs and allow to cook gently to release flavours
- When cooled, mix with turkey, breadcrumbs and seasoning
- Form into burgers
- Peel the mushrooms, remove the stalks and grill
- Grill the burgers, ensuring they are thoroughly cooked
- Place the burgers between the mushrooms as if they were buns
- Serve with sweet potato wedges and salad garnish