

# Newsletter 22

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## Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Active Kids is back and we are collecting vouchers!

We would like to start collecting as many vouchers as possible to enable us to benefit from their sports and cooking equipment. Vouchers are available when you do your food shop in any Sainsbury's shop (including Sainsbury's Local) and online up until 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017.

## Book Week

What a fantastic week we've had celebrating Book Week. We kick started the week with a visit from the Hobgoblin theatre company that had all the children enthused and chanting hilarious lines from the production, 'Treasure Island'. The children then had the opportunity to practice their own acting skills in theatre workshops that saw the children in KS1 turn into enchanted forests full of weeping willows and stinging nettles!

We have also launched this year's Readathon which not only supports children's hospitals, but also supports our children's reading skills. Already, we have been blown away with the amount of books children are getting through.

The book fair started brilliantly and thank you all who have come along so far. Your support means more books for the library so don't forget to pop along before next Wednesday if you haven't had the chance to do so already.

All these creative activities that have happened during Book Week have really inspired the children to think more about our school library and they have created wonderful designs of their dream libraries.



## Year 5 Dance Share

On Monday of this week, Year 5 were invited to take part in the Comberton Village College Dance Share. Seven primary schools from across the local area came together to display dances they had been working on over the last term.

Both Lacerta and Phoenix class gave 100% in their performances and should also be praised for their excellent audience participation.



## Forthcoming dates

- 21st—24th February—Science Week
- 22nd March 10am—Reception Spring performance
- 22nd March—Parent consultations
- 23rd March 2pm—Reception Spring performance
- 24th March 9am—Cygnus Class assembly
- w/c 27th March—International Week
- 30th March—Reception come & share in the morning
- 30th March—Parent consultations
- 31st March—LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM (CHILDREN RETURN 18TH APRIL)

## Priory Walk car park

A local veterinary surgeon came into the office last week to request that parents show consideration when using the Priory Walk car park. There are allocated spaces for the veterinary surgery which are frequently being filled by parents of Monkfield Park who are dropping children off or collecting them from school. This is causing problems for their customers and staff. We would appreciate it if you could co-operate with the request of the surgery by using alternative parking spaces which are not specifically designated.

### Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child to show you some freeze frames (still poses) of their favourite story characters.

Ask your Year 1 child to tell you about the different materials they would use to make their kiwi egg boxes.

Ask your Year 2 child to retell the story of Hansel and Gretel using actions.

Ask your Year 3 child to write the date using Roman numerals.

Ask your Year 4 child how Easter is celebrated around the world.

Ask your Year 5 child about the Dance Share experience at Comberton Village College.

Ask your Year 6 child how and why their emotions would change on a Tudor exploration.

## Head Teacher roll of honour

Joseph in Violet Class—Joseph has gone to extra lengths when completing his homework and has really taken care in the presentation of his work. Well done Joseph, I enjoyed reading your diary which has made it onto the 'WOW working wall'.

Rhys in Lacerta Class—Rhys has been a fantastic mentor to some of our younger children over the past few weeks. He is showing that he has a considerate side to his personality.

Sophie in Green Class—Sophie has inventive ideas which contribute to really rich classroom discussions. She is an independent thinker, who has wonderful ideas.

### Friends of Monkfield Park

#### **SECOND HAND SCHOOL UNIFORM**

We have a stock of clean, good condition second hand uniform for sale:

Sweatshirts £2 each, Book Bags £2 each, Jackets £3 each.

If you would like to order any please email us with items required and sizes [friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com).



**BAKE SALE**—Come along after school on **10 March** and support Year 6 who will be holding a healthy cake sale to raise funds for their leaving activities.



**FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**—Don't forget our ongoing fundraising initiatives. We take any foreign coins and empty branded print cartridges, specifically HP and Canon but other makes are acceptable. We get valuable funds for the school. Please remember us when you put new ink in your printer. Collection box in the school foyer. Coins can be left at the office. Thank you.



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

<b>After School Healthy Bake Sale</b>	10 March
<b>Name the Easter Bunny</b>	Commencing 20 March
<b>Comic Relief Dress Down Day</b>	24 March
<b>Summer Fete</b>	Saturday 17 June

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



## **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 £5.25 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 Easter holiday club schedule is below:

<b>Time and Date</b>	<b>10.00 am - 12 noon</b>	<b>1.00 pm - 3.00 pm</b>	<b>3.30 pm - 5.00 pm</b>	<b>5.00 pm - 6.00 pm</b>
<b>Monday 3rd April Modelling Day</b>	Pipe Cleaner Insects	Soap Carving	Paper Aeroplane Flight Challenge	Construction Kit Models
<b>Tuesday 4th April Spring Time - Part 1</b>	Painting & Decorating Flower Pots	Planting	Signs of Spring Challenge Walk	Shaun the Sheep DVD
<b>Wednesday 5th April Talent Show Day</b>	Plan & Prepare your 'Act'	Make Props & Instruments	The Big Rehearsal	The 'Show'
<b>Thursday 6th April Games Day</b>	Giant Games	Designing Board Games	Twister Challenge	Table Top Games
<b>Friday 7th April Art Attack</b>	Wool Art	Fabric Art	Outdoor Splatter Painting	Bead Art
<b>Monday 10th April Den Day</b>	Design a Den for your Favourite Teddy	Make the Den for Teddy	Outdoor Den Building	Story Dens
<b>Tuesday 11th April Spring Time - Part 2</b>	Tissue Paper Spring Flowers	Plasticine Spring Picture Prints	Designing & Making Easter Hats	Springtime Masks
<b>Wednesday 12th April Easter Cooking</b>	Making Hot Cross Bun Dough	Make Hot Cross Buns	Edible Easter Chicks	Easter Songs, Rhymes & Stories
<b>Thursday 13th April Egg-Stravaganza</b>	Making Chocolate Nests	Egg Hunt	Decorating Eggs & Egg Rolling Competition	Peter Rabbit DVD

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](mailto:clcof-fice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk)

### Healthy Eating recipes

As part of our commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles and to follow on from our healthy lifestyle tips in recent newsletter articles, we have decided to provide you with some simple, healthy recipes which all of the family can get involved in making and trying. The first is a recipe for butterbean hummus which is simple, tasty and healthy.

#### Butterbean 'hummus'

200g butterbeans

Lemon juice

2 cloves garlic

1 teaspoon cumin

Salt

2 tablespoon tahini

4 tablespoon water

2 tablespoon olive oil

Blend all ingredients in food processor



### Parents - make a difference!

Healthwatch Cambridgeshire, which works to improve children's health and wellbeing, is looking for parents to join its advisory group. The group will be involved in the 'DEAL Study'. DEAL stands for Developing Early identification and Access in Learning Environments, and the focus of the study is on finding out about the best ways that schools can spot early signs of children's emotional health difficulties.

Cambridge University is seeking the assistance of schools to recruit parents of primary school aged children to be part of its advisory group, which will help guide how the study is run. Parents will not need to know anything about research, how schools work, or emotional health and well-being, to be part of the advisory group; their experience as a parent will help the researchers in the work they are doing.

The role will involve coming to advisory group meetings to give ideas, feedback and advice to make sure the project is going in the right direction.

Participation would involve coming to as many of the meetings as possible. These will be held every four months, at an accessible venue.

Meetings usually last less than 1.5 hours.

Participants will receive a £10 shopping voucher for each meeting they attend as a token of appreciation for their time.

Refreshments will be served at each meeting.

Out of pocket travel expenses will be reimbursed on the day.

Parents wishing to take part should contact Jasmine Childs-Fegredo at [jc2039@medschl.cam.ac.uk](mailto:jc2039@medschl.cam.ac.uk) or Rita Nunes at [ana-rita.nunes@healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk](mailto:ana-rita.nunes@healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk) or call 01480 420628.