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Feeling Springy?

Spring arrived this week with some very welcome sunshine to lift all our spirits. The warm temperatures over the last few days have started to dry out the field so we are very excited that we will be able to return to our full OPAL provision very shortly. I had to agree with the comment of one of the younger member's of our school community who told me with great excitement, "this sun is making me feel very Springy. Are you feeling Springy too Mrs Howell?" I had to admit that I had never felt 'Springier'.

Today, you will receive your child's mid-year report via email. We hope you find this report useful and that it will be helpful in your discussions with your child's class teacher at the forthcoming parent consultation evenings on Tuesday 17th March and Thursday 26th March. Both evenings will be face-to-face appointments from 4.00 pm with each appointment lasting for 10 minutes. Reception and Key Stage 1 teachers will be based in the Activity Hall and Key Stage 2 teachers will be in the Main Hall. Parents and carers will also have the opportunity to look at the children's books in the classrooms prior to their appointment. We will be offering a crèche for children at the consultations. If you haven't booked an appointment, please can I urge you to do so via the electronic booking system. Please contact the school office if you have any problems.

With best wishes,
Mrs Howell

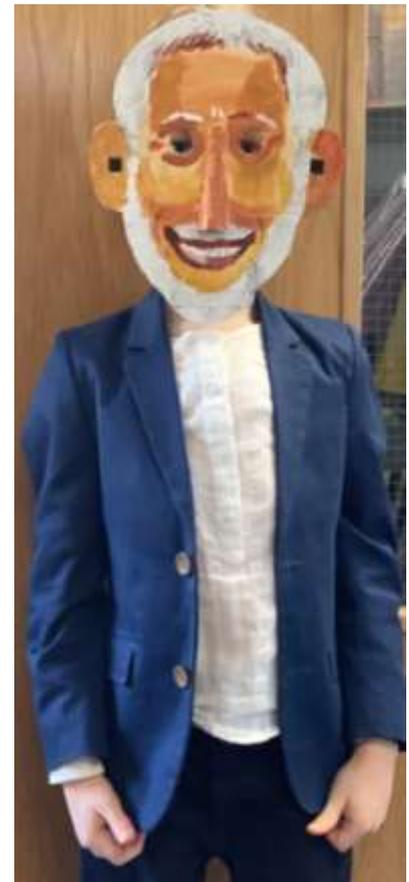
Celebrating Ramadan

Celebrating World Book Day and International Week

This week we have been holding a joint celebration focusing on the wonderful diversity of the Monkfield Park family through our International week and also World Book Day which celebrates our love of books and reading.

We are very grateful to all our parents and the young Language Leaders from the Village College who so generously gave their time to come into school to share stories and activities which reflect the many cultures in school.

Thursday was World Book Day and this year we gave children the opportunity to dress up as their favourite book character or to wear national dress. The school was quite literally a riot of colour and it was so wonderful to see such amazing costumes. What an incredibly creative lot you are! Thank you so much for making both celebrations such a roaring success.



Eco Club Lead the Way

On Saturday, Eco Club made a vibrant and enthusiastic contribution to this year's Eco Fest at Cambourne Village College with their eco-friendly stall. Eco Club members invited visitors to create their own ever green arrangements in biodegradable pots made from recycled glass jars which had been transformed into beautifully painted vases; combining sustainability with hands-on creative fun! The children running the stall were wonderfully helpful and polite, chatting to people with enthusiasm and their extensive recycling knowledge. Their efforts were widely appreciated and reflected the spirit of the event. It was also a fantastic day for networking and learning, with plenty of opportunities to visit other inspiring stalls from local eco businesses and community groups. A big thank you to the children for giving up their Saturday and to everyone who supported the Eco Club.

Eco Club members are passionate about making our world more sustainable for future generations and work hard to spread this important message. We are incredibly proud of Ophelia who decided she had to address the serious problem of deforestation following her topic work on South America. Ophelia decided it was time to go straight to the top and wrote to the Prime Minister about the threat deforestation poses. I can only imagine Ophelia's surprise when Sir Keir Starmer replied to assure her that he agreed with her stance and that he and his government were working hard to prevent further deforestation both in this country and also in South America. It is comforting to know that we are all in safe hands as our children have the strength of their convictions to take action to help everyone. Well done Ophelia, we are very proud of you.

**THE BIG
PLASTIC
COUNT
9-15 MARCH**

**OUR
SCHOOL IS
COUNTING
ON YOU!**

**GET READY TO COUNT
YOUR PLASTIC WASTE**



Sentence starters

Ask your Reception child to find and compare the height of three of their toys

Ask your Year 1 child to show you the Chinese Fan Dance.

Ask your Year 2 child to tell you what plants need to become strong and healthy.

Ask your Year 3 child to tell you which river flows through the centre of Cambridge.

Ask your Year 4 child to describe how mountains are formed.

Ask your Year 5 child to tell you what jobs Victorian children had.

Ask your Year 6 child to explain how to change a fraction into a decimal number.

YEAR 6 YOUTH CLUB

Starts
Thursday 26th
February
2026

Our youth clubs are a fun space where you
can meet with friends and make new friends

When : Every Thursday during term time
15:30-17:00

Where: The Soul Youth Centre,
Back Lane,
Great Cambourne, CB23 6FY



COOKING AND
BAKING



POOL, DARTS &
TABLE TENNIS

GAMES CONSOLES



ARTS AND CRAFTS



TRIPS DURING
THE HOLIDAYS



For more information or if you have any
questions

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ROMSEY MILL



Cambourne Soul Youth Club Times

Tuesday: Yr 7-11 Football
16:00 - 17:00

Tuesday: Yr 9+ 18:00 -
19:30

Wednesday: Yr 7&8 15:30 -
17:00

Thursday: Yr 6 15:30 - 17:00

Friday: Yr 7-11 15:30 - 17:00

All of our groups are free to
attend and anyone is welcome!



Red Nose Day

Friday 20th March 2026

Dress down for £1

FOMP will be providing bucket collections on the day

Scan me! 

To donate to our JustGiving page (Min £2 Donation)



The brand new "DESIGN-YER"

Red Noses will be available to purchase at the school office from Monday 2nd March for £2

It's time get creative and design your own Red Nose!

FORTHCOMING DATES Spring Term 2026

6th March—Mid term reports to parents

13th March—Violet Class assembly

16th March—Y2 WOW Day

17th March—Parent Consultation Evening

19th March—Year 5 and Year 6 Rugby tournament

19th to 24th March— Book Fair in Main Hall

20th March—Green Class assembly

20th March—Red Nose Day

25th March—FOMP Easter egg hunt

26th March—Parent Consultation evening

27th March—School breaks up for Easter holiday

30th March to 10th April— Easter Holiday

13th April—Children return to school for Summer term

13th to 17th April— STEM week

15th April— Year 3 School trip

21st—22nd April—Year 4 Residential to Burwell House

22nd April—Year 1 WOW Day

28th April—Year 2 Nature Reserve visit

1st May—Dorado Class assembly

4th May—May Day Holiday

6th May—KS1 Wellbeing Wednesday

11th to 14th May—Key Stage 2 SATS week

12th May—Reception Come and Share pm

15th May—FOMP Break the Rules Day

20th May—KS2 Wellbeing Wednesday

20th—22nd May—Year 6 PGL residential trip

22nd May—break up for half term

25th to 29th May—Half term holiday

1st June—INSET Day (school closed for children)

2nd June—Children return to school

2nd to 12th June—Year 4 Multiplication Checks

8th to 12th June—Phonic check for Year 1



For general queries regarding the Care and Learning Centre, please contact the school office by e-mail on: clcoffice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk or by telephoning 01954 273377.

To speak with a member of the Care and Learning Centre staff please telephone 01954 273301

World Book Day

Yesterday we celebrated World Book Day. The children and staff came to preschool dressed as book characters and all looked really splendid in their costumes. Many children also brought in their favourite books to share and there were lots of opportunities across the day to listen to stories with adults and friends. It was such a great day!

Song Time

During this term the children have been busy learning new songs and rhymes, some of which have been related to our learning themes. We would like to invite all parents and carers to come and listen to our wonderful singing on Wednesday March 25th 9.10am. If your child does not normally attend preschool at this time, you are very welcome to bring them along for this event.

Best wishes,
Jane Turner
Early Years Teacher & Pre-School Manager