

# Newsletter 12

**Friday 1st December 2017**

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**Poppy Appeal 2017**



Yet again the Monkfield Park community has shown how incredibly generous and supportive it is by supporting so many good causes. Prior to Remembrance Sunday poppies were on sale in school in aid of the Poppy Appeal. The Poppy Appeal raises vital funds to support members of the armed forces, veterans and their families. This year, thanks to your generosity, we raised £53.80 for the charity. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the appeal.

## **Key Stage 2 Cross Country Running Competition**

On Tuesday, 60 children from KS2 went off to the Wimpole Estate to compete in a cross country running event. Throughout the morning, we competed in heats against people of our age. As you know, it was a bitterly cold morning and by the end of the event everyone was elated, but chilled!

Jessica, who is in Year 6, was the only one to win an award. The award was for her determination throughout the course and for smiling all the way.

At the end of the event, we all agreed that if we had the chance, we would definitely go back again!

By Year 6



## **Extra Curricular Clubs**

We are very fortunate to be able to offer a wide range of extra curricular clubs which take place both before and after school as well as during the school day. These clubs offer children further enrichment opportunities and allow them to develop a range of skills. From sports such as gymnastics, fencing and boxercise to cookery, yoga and drama there is a huge amount on offer for the children. If you would like to know about the clubs which will be available in the Spring term please contact the school office for details of the outside providers and their charges.



### Sentence Starters

Ask your Reception child to describe a wizard using three 'wow' words.

Ask your Year 1 child to explain what the big and little hands on a clock are for.

Ask your Year 2 child what units of measurement they could use to measure different items around the house.

Ask your Year 3 child to describe how to make the strongest 3D structure.

Ask your Year 4 child what the purpose of a glossary is and where you find one.

Ask your Year 5 child to summarise the chapter we are reading this week from Cosmic.

Ask your Year 6 child to explain what happened on Christmas Day in 1914 on the Western Front.

## Head Teacher Roll of Honour

This week it has been wonderful to talk to so many children about their work in school and to celebrate their achievements.

Thomas from Orange Class— Thomas can find some numbers tricky but he really impressed me with his perseverance this week and his determination to get some of those difficult numbers the right way round.

Kush in Indigo Class—Kush has shown what a wonderful writer he is by being able to write in role as the great diarist Samuel Pepys. His descriptions of the Great Fire of London were so powerful, I was immediately transported to 1666.

Hannah in Dorado Class—Hannah impressed me with her wonderful poetry this week. Her vocabulary choices were so powerful and she managed to include some wonderful similes and alliteration. Well done Hannah.

Jessica from Pegasus Class—Jessica is one of the most positive people in our school. She always gives of her best in absolutely everything she does and approaches every challenge with her calm persona and wonderful smile.

### Forthcoming Dates

6th December—Flu vaccination programme (details to follow)

8th December at 9am—Lacerta Class assembly

12th December 2pm—Year 3/4 carol concert

13th December 9.30am—Reception 'come and share' event

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

14th December 2pm—Year 1 nativity

14th December 6pm—Year 3/4 carol concert

15th December 10am—Year 1 nativity

19th December—Christmas Festive Fun Day

19th December—Last day of term

### **Spring Term 2018**

3rd January—INSET day (school closed to children)

4th January—All children return to school

### Christmas Holiday Club

Over the Christmas holiday period the Care and Learning Centre holiday club will be running from 8am to 6pm daily. The Holiday Clubs are charged by the hour which enables parents and carers to book hours to suit their needs. The minimum chargeable unit is one hour and all sessions will be charged by the hour. Children who attend for full days or over lunchtime will also need to bring a nut-free packed lunch.

The current cost of Holiday Club sessions is £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. There is a £30 once-only registration fee for children who are not already registered at the Care and Learning Centre for out of school clubs.

Below is a list of the many exciting activities that have been arranged for the children who will be attending Care and Learning Centre over the holiday period. If you would like further information or to book a place at the Holiday Club for your child/children please contact Mrs Ferris at the Care and Learning Centre.

<b>Wednesday 20th December 2017 Food Creations</b>	Popcorn Garlands	Spicy Stars	Cloves & Clementines	Sweet Collages
<b>Thursday 21st December 2017 Christmas Crafts</b>	Make Santa a Christmas Card	Making Paper Chains	Sparkling Baubles	Christmas DVD
<b>Friday 22nd December 2017 Let's Party</b>	Making Christmas Fairy Cakes	Pass the Parcel & Pin the Red Nose on Rudolph	Musical Statues & Musical Bumps	T'was the Night Before Christmas - the story
<b>Tuesday 2nd January 2018 Paper Day</b>	Thank You Cards & Letters	Paper Chain Cater- pillars	Origami Creations	Good Deed Book Marks

## Christmas Family Bingo

We are holding a Christmas Family Bingo in the school hall next Friday 8th December. Doors will open at 6 with eyes down at 6:45pm. Tickets are available in advance at a cost of £3 per person. Tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you would like to book tickets please either drop into the school office or get in touch with us via our email [friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com) or our facebook group.



## 200 Club

Thank you to everyone who joined our 200 Club. This week we did our first 3 draws for September, October and November. The winning numbers were 14 (Pat Kirk), 1 (Sarah Barry) and 2, each winning £8 which is half the current prize pot. There is still chance to join for future draws so please do get in touch either by popping into the school office or sending us a message via our email [friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmonkfieldpark@gmail.com) or our facebook group. Well done to all our winners. You've got to



## Micro Scooters Cashback for schools

We are so excited to be part of the Micro scooters Schools Cashback. If you are ordering anything directly from Micro scooters website please enter our code at the check-out so our school receives 10% Cashback. This is for any purchases including accessories not just on scooters. Our school code is 131996.



## EasyFundraising

With Christmas just around the corner don't forget you can help support the school by shopping through Easyfundraising. The school will receive cashback on those all important Christmas Presents.



## Wanted—Shoe boxes/small boxes

We are in need of empty shoe boxes or small boxes to use for our bingo prizes next week. If you have any you are happy to donate please either drop them into the school office or get in touch to arrange collection.



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