



Monkton Update – 13th February 2026

TERM 3 – WEEK 6

Monday 23/02/2026	First Day of Term
Tuesday 24/02/2026	
Wednesday 25/02/2026	
Thursday 26/02/2026	
Friday 27/02/2026	Forest School YR 5&6

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous final week of term it has been! The school has been buzzing with positive learning experiences and exciting activities.

Online Safety Day was a great success. Our local PCSO visited each class to talk with the children about staying safe when using technology and also delivered a workshop for parents. With technology constantly evolving, it is more important than ever that we work together to keep our children safe online, particularly in light of recent high-profile incidents involving young people.

This week, **Class 3** also took part in a Royal Opera workshop — it looked (and sounded!) fantastic and the children clearly had a wonderful time. I was also treated to the sight of some spectacular exploding volcanoes — a real highlight!

Today's **Winter Olympics** event is going brilliantly. The day began with a wonderful opening ceremony featuring:

- Sophia and Seren, who performed a beautiful dance
- Hetty, who sang *Let It Go* incredibly well
- Melodie, who recited an Olympic poem

The children have been learning new skills including curling and ice skating/dancing, and I have just seen Class 4 creating some amazing Swiss-inspired artwork.

Staffing Updates for Next Term

- We warmly welcome **Mrs McKenna** to Class 2 as **Mrs Guilder** moves into her new role as Federation SENCo.
- **Miss Jenks** will be spending more time in Class 2.
- **Mrs Lawrence** will be working in Class 3.
- Congratulations to **Mrs Watson** who now will become our new Forest School Lead.
- Best wishes to **Mr Sewell** as he leaves us today! Mr Sewell, you will be missed by everyone here at Monkton.

Mrs Lawrence
Teaching Assistant



Mrs McKenna
Class 2 Teacher



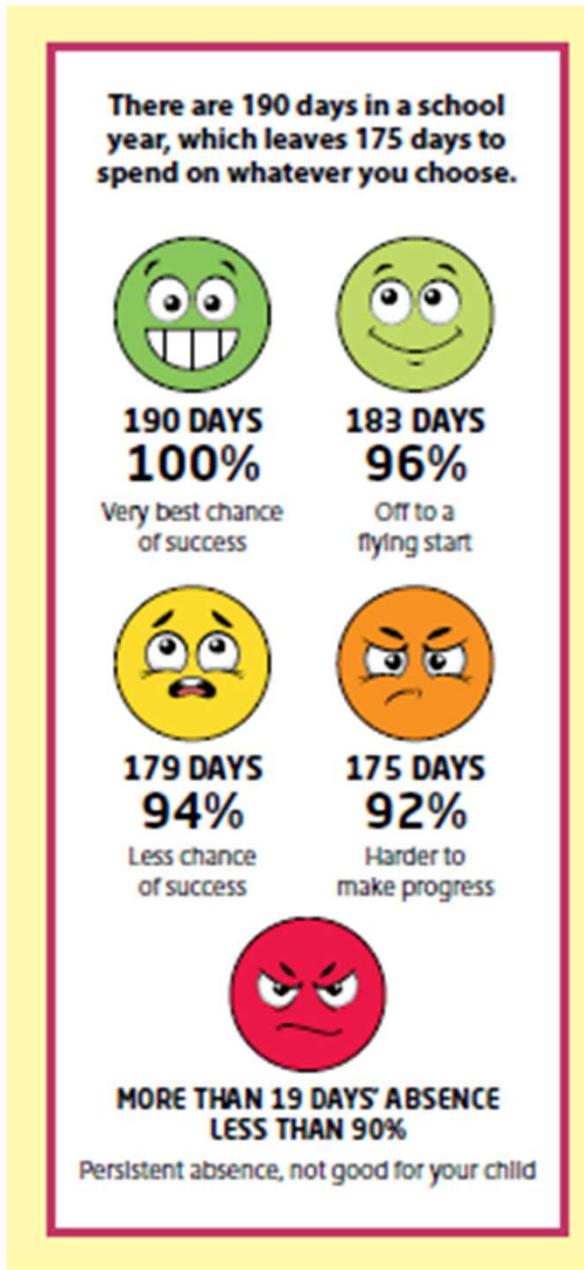
Term 4 is already shaping up to be another exciting and engaging period of learning. Please remember to check our website for your child's curriculum newsletter.

Wishing you all a safe and happy half term!

Warm regards,
Mr C. Marston
Head of School



Attendance Information



Attendance Matters



- **Everyday counts!**
In primary school, children build the foundations for reading, writing, maths, and friendships. Missing school means missing important learning that be hard to catch up on.
- **Be Here to Grow!**
Regular attendance helps children develop confidence, skills, and strong learning habits that last a lifetime.

Attendance for Term 3

YR R	93.58%
YR 1	96.33%
YR 2	96.62%
YR 3	94.79%
YR 4	90.52%
YR 5	95.85%
YR 6	93.22%

Term-Time Holidays

All parents should arrange their holidays within the school holidays. Whilst the Head of School may give approval in exceptional circumstances, approval is not a matter of course. If you decide to take your child/children out of school without permission, a request for a Penalty Notice may be issued. You can find the Term-Time Absence Request form on our website [Attendance & Punctuality](#) Our Attendance Policy is available here [Policies](#)

Illness

If your child is ill, please telephone or email the school office before 9:00am each day of absence unless other arrangements have been made with the school.

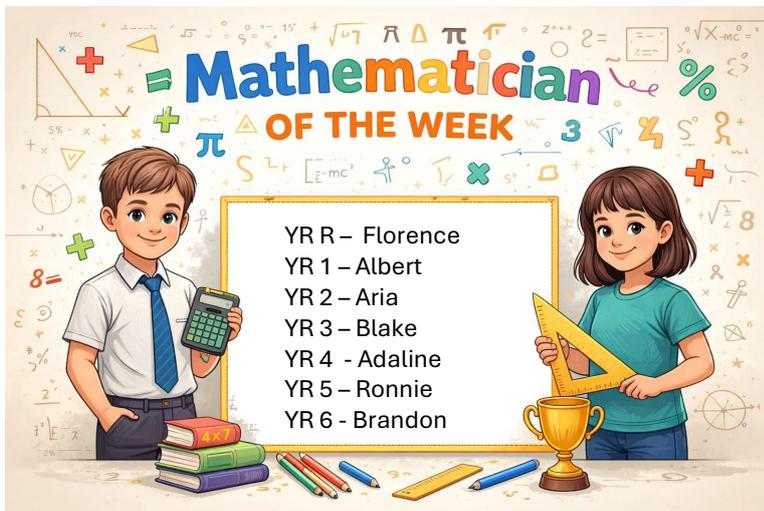


Weekly School Awards

House Points – **Compassion 369** **Courage 356** **Justice 378**



- YR R – Florence – for creating such an imaginative trap for the fox in her free play and inspiring her friends to join in too.
- YR 1 – Ethan – for showing leadership and confidence in the Federation Cup
- YR 2 – Alba – for great imaginative adventure story
- YR 3 – Annabelle – excellent work in our reading lessons this week
- YR 4 – Marcus – consistently determined and positive throughout every lesson
- YR 5 – Edward – for producing some excellent writing and increasing the volume of his writing
- YR 6 – Charlie – for making a huge effort in all learning and keeping a positive attitude.



- YR R – Florence
- YR 1 – Albert
- YR 2 – Aria
- YR 3 – Blake
- YR 4 – Adaline
- YR 5 – Ronnie
- YR 6 – Brandon

Readers of the Week

- YR R – Amelia
- YR 1 – Miffy
- YR 2 – Olivia
- YR 3 – Miles
- YR 4 – Nathan
- YR 5 – Jake
- YR 6 – Poppy



% of readers 5xs a week

- YR R – 66%
- YR 1 – 50%
- YR 2 – 38%
- YR 3 – 31%
- YR 4 – 38%
- YR 5 – 36%
- YR 6 – 40%

PRIDE Sharing

- Class 1 – Isaac – the Three Billy Goats Gruff writing
- Class 2 – Rupert – beautiful editing and presentation of his adventure story
- Class 3 – Isla – brilliant reasoning in our science this w
- Class 4 – Olivia – fabulous writing about a tour of the Milky Way.

- YR R - Isaac, Freddie, Florence, Thea, Nelly-Mae, Sophia
- YR 1 – Bluebell, Ethan, Albert
- YR 2 – Wesley



- Class 1 – Gold
- Class 2 – Silver
- Class 3 – Gold
- Class 4 – Silver



Christian Ambassador Awards

- Compassion** - Maya
- Courage** –
- Justice** – Miles and Oliver R

- YR 3 – Lucas
- YR 4 – Oscar
- YR 5 – Olivia
- YR 6 – Sophia L





Forest School

Forest School takes place every Friday, please see adjacent schedule.

Children will need appropriate clothing for Forest School, including waterproof trousers and coat. We have a limited number of waterproof trousers and coats in school but cannot guarantee they will fit your child.

Class	Week	Date
Class 4	Week 1	27/02/2026
Class 3	Week 2	06/03/2026
Class 1&2	Week 3	13/03/2026
Class 4	Week 4	20/03/2026
Class 3	Week 5	27/03/2026
Class 1&2	Week 6	02/04/2026

Term 4

Monday 23rd February
 2nd March to 6th March
 Thursday 5th March
 Friday 20th March
 Thursday 2nd April

First day of Term 4
 Book week
 World Book day – dress as fav character
 Comic Relief day – 80s/90s dress up
 Express yourself/this is me day & Last day of term 4

Term 5

Monday 20th April
 Friday 1st May
 Monday 11th May to 15th May
 Monday 18th May to 22nd May
 Monday 18th May
 Friday 22nd May

First day of Term/Earth Day/Recycling Week
 PTA Cake Sale
 YR 6 SATS week
 Healthy Bodies Week
 Sports Day
 Last day of Term

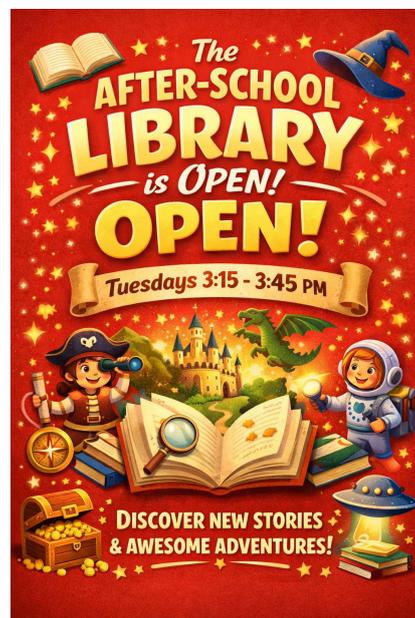
Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that children need to be booked onto breakfast club in advance. This ensures that we have sufficient staff and resources available each morning. You can find details of how to register and pay for your child on the school website [breakfast-club](#)

Our after-school library is open and ready for adventure! 📖 ✨

Library will open from 3:15pm to 3:45pm on Tuesdays.

Whether your child is diving into a magical world, solving a mystery, or discovering fascinating facts, our library is the perfect place to explore new stories and spark imagination. We'd love to see lots of keen readers popping in to borrow a book and enjoy some quiet reading time after school.





The PTA would like to say thank you to the children who attended the Movie Night last Friday and the teaching staff that supported us.

The event raised just over £140.00

Next term we have two events planned. The first event will coincide with World Book Day on Thursday 5th March where the PTA will be selling "Monkton Choc-Choc" bars and jelly sweet bags in the courtyard after school. In the style of Willy Wonka there will be a number of golden bookmarks hidden inside some of the sweet bags and chocolate bars. A variety of prizes available to win including a top prize of entry tickets to Revolution Skatepark.

Friday 20th March will be the Spring Disco to coincide with Comic Relief. More details to follow.



Monkton CEP School PTA Presents

Thursday 05 March 2026
3.15pm
WORLD BOOK DAY 2026
CHOC CHOC BAR SWEETIE BAG SALE

The PTA will be selling a variety of chocolate bars and sweetie bags.

Chocolate Bars £1.50
Sweetie Bags £1.00

WILL THERE BE A WINNING GOLDEN BOOKMARK INSIDE?

A variety of prizes and a top Golden Prize of tickets to Revolution Skatepark

REVOLUTION SKATEPARK & CLIMBING
MONKTON CEP CHOC CHOC BAR



The PTA are always looking for willing parents to join when them. If you are interested in helping the PTA by volunteering some time, please email monktonpta@gmail.com or speak to a member of the PTA.

In Term 4 Happy Kids Yoga will be running an after-school club on Mondays from 3:15 to 4:15. First session will be on Monday 2nd March. Please see flyer with details of how to book.

happy kids
YOGA & MINDFULNESS

After School Yoga Club



When:
Mondays
3:15 - 4:15pm

Running from
2nd to 30th March

Where:
The Hall

Who:
Years 1 - 6

Cost:
£5 per session

Scan the QR code
or click here to book:
<https://bookthatin.com/link/MCEPS>
Email: keely@happykidsyoga.co.uk

SCAN ME!





Khickster Entertainment Term 4 Clubs

During Term 4 Khickster Entertainment will offer the following specialised clubs

Tuesdays – Arts and Crafts

Wednesdays – Home Learning Club. The club is designed to give children extra support and confidence with key learning platforms including Numbots, TT Rockstars and reading practice. It's a great opportunity for pupils to build their maths fluency, strengthen times table knowledge, and develop a love of reading in a fun, supportive environment.

Thursdays – Hockey Club

Friday – Film Night – details of films will follow.

However, if children do one want to take part in a club, General Wraparound will be provided by Khickster Entertainment with the following options:

Option 1: 15:15 – 18:00 after-school care including small dinner/snack £15 available

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday only

Option 2: 15:15 to 16:30 after-school care/after school club £6 available Monday to Friday

Option 3: 16:15 – 18:00 after-school club (following a school led club) including dinner/hot snack £10 available **Tuesday, Thursday and Friday only.**

Bookings must be made online at

<https://www.khicksterevents.co.uk/monktonprimaryschool> password MONKTON

Football Fun Factory Term 4



Football Fun Factory will be running sessions every Monday from 23rd February until Monday 30th March. You need to book directly with them using this link

<https://booking.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk/event/4612>

