



# Monkton Update – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

TERM 5 – WEEK 4

Monday 18/05/2026	Healthy Bodies week/Sports Day/Rainbow raffle
Tuesday 19/052026	
Wednesday 20/052026	
Thursday 21/05/2026	Treat day menu
Friday 22/05/2026	Last Day of Term

Dear Parents/Carers

## Newsletter Update from the Head of School

Firstly, well done to all of Year 6, including the teaching staff, for all your hard work this week. There have been lots of assessments, but you all tried your very best. You should be extremely proud of yourselves. There has been a great vibe around the school this week.

Mr Russell, the Head of School from Minster, visited on Thursday and was very impressed with the feel of the school and the learning behaviours in each class. Equally, Mrs Mitchell, CEO of the EKC Trust, commented on how wonderfully inclusive learning is here and how teachers set up activities in lessons so that every child is able to access the curriculum and thrive, making good to outstanding progress.

From my own little adventures around the school — which I do quite often to get away from a computer screen — I continue to see an abundance of creativity and sustained concentration. The artwork children have produced this week has been sensational, with mosaics in Class 3 and portraits related to the book *Wonder* in Class 4. Children have also been eager to share their work, showing that our PRIDE values are truly embedded.

Class 2 have also been out and about around the school, observing items from the past and present day before sorting them into Venn diagrams — great active learning.

In Class 1, the children are very excited about the caterpillars!

We are all very much looking forward to welcoming you into school on Monday for our annual Sports Day. The gate will open at 1pm. At the moment, the weather looks fair, but we will continue to keep an eye on it. If it rains on Monday and the ground is too slippery, we will make a decision on Monday morning and let everyone know. Please do a sun dance!

Thank you to the parents who drive children to school, as parking seems much improved. However, there are still some cars parking next to the house by the school, which results in the road narrowing and parents and children having to walk in the middle of the road. Can I please urge parents not to park there, as it does create a safety issue and is a tragedy waiting to happen.

I am also seeing more and more children bringing toys into school. If children would like to walk to school with a toy, that is absolutely fine, but please ensure that toys go home with parents and do not remain in school. It may be that you have an agreement in place with our SENDCo for your child to bring in a toy as a reasonable adjustment, in which case that is absolutely fine.

Have a lovely weekend, and we will see you on Monday for Sports Day.

**Mr Marston**



### OPAL Play Update

Please ensure children have wellies, waterproof coats and waterproof trousers in school every day. The other day, although it was raining, the children really should have been outside.

As these items are part of our uniform policy, please make sure children bring their waterproofs and wellies into school each day.

There are lots of exciting new things to do during playtime — could our breaktimes and lunchtimes get any better?!

A huge thank you to the students at EKC Broadstairs College for building us a fantastic music wall (with more parts still to come!) and a brand-new mud kitchen.

We also now have a new firepit zone with log seating and a throne, while our pond and nature area is really beginning to take shape!



### Attendance for Week 4 Term 5

- YR R – 96%
- YR 1 – 96.67%
- YR 2 – 87.69%
- YR 3 – 98%
- YR 4 – 94.38%
- YR 5 – 94.67%
- YR 6 – 100% - well done

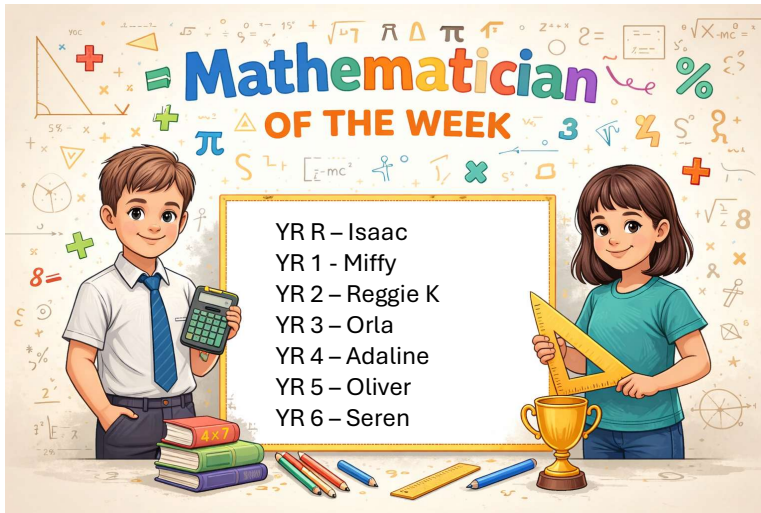


# Weekly School Awards

House Points – Compassion 431 Courage 465 Justice 410



- YR R – Leo for great imaginative play and encouraging his friends to join in.
- YR 1 – Arlo for a great attitude to learning in all lessons
- YR 2 – Reggie J for great efforts in telling the time
- YR 3 – Siahna for fabulous knowledge in our decimal work
- YR 4 – Bronti for working very hard on TTRS and any times table practicing in class
- YR 5 – Jacob Carter for sharing his great knowledge about local farming
- YR 6 – Sophia C for fantastic engagement with Science, R.E. and Topic learning and for leading by example in P.E.



- YR R – Isaac
- YR 1 – Miffy
- YR 2 – Reggie K
- YR 3 – Orla
- YR 4 – Adaline
- YR 5 – Oliver
- YR 6 – Seren

## Readers of the Week

- YR R – Florence
- YR 1 – Willow
- YR 2 – Aria
- YR 3 – Eloise
- YR 4 – Ivy
- YR 5 – Byron
- YR 6 – Poppy



## % of readers 5xs a week

- YR R – 60%
- YR 1 – 33%
- YR 2 – 23%
- YR 3 – 47%
- YR 4 – 38%
- YR 5 – 33%
- YR 6 – 40%

## PRIDE Sharing

- Class 1- Thea, Isaac, Sophia and Chester for doubling number sentences
- Class 2 – The whole class for making disgusting sandwiches and writing fantastic instructions
- Class 3 – Logan for his precise mosaic making!
- Class 4 – Various pupils for their artwork from Wonder

- YR R – Thea, Sophia, Florence, Nelly-Mae
- YR 1 – Ethan
- YR 2 – Olivia



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



## Christian Ambassador Awards

- Compassion –
- Courage – Year 6
- Justice –

- YR 2 – Amelia
- YR 3 – Arlo
- YR 4 – Marcus
- YR 5 – Ronnie
- YR 6 – Poppy





**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	24/04/2026
Class 3	Week 2	01/05/2026
Class 1&2	Week 3	08/05/2026
Class 4	Week 4	15/05/2026
Class 3	Week 5	22/05/2026

<b>Term 5</b>	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May to 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Healthy Bodies Week
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Day/Rainbow Raffle
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bikeability training – YR 5/6
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Treat Day menu
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Last day of Term
<b>Term 6</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	First day of Term 6
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June to Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	YR 6 Hindleap Residential trip
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	World Music Day
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	YR 5 Camp out
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Wimbledon Menu /Year 6 production

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.





# Happy Kids Yoga Club – running in Terms 5&6.

**happy kids**  
YOGA & MINDFULNESS

## After School Yoga Club





**When:**  
Mondays  
3:15 - 4:15pm

**Terms 5 & 6**

**Where:**  
The Hall

**Who:**  
All students  
welcome

**Cost:**  
£5 per session

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

SCAN ME!



## Spring Family Fun Day!

A community event delivered together by local services



**Fun!**



**Games!**



**Play!**



**Create!**

### Venue

Northdown Road Family Hub,  
Zion Place, Cliftonville,  
Margate CT9 1RP

### Date

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May,  
11am to 3pm

**No booking needed—just drop in and join the fun!**

Open to families with a child or young person from pregnancy to 19 years and 25 years with a special educational needs or disability.

Sports • Skateboarding • Art & Craft • Under 5's activities  
(includes baby area), plus lots more!

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Kent Family Hub Network





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