

# Monkton Church of England Primary School

**Compassion      Courage      Justice**

***Jesus said, 'Go and do the same.'***



Dear Parents/Carers,

August 2024 No. 1

I do hope you're all enjoying the summer break and have been able to make the most of the beautiful weather we've had.

The school has been a hive of activity throughout the summer, with our usual annual inspections and services being carried out. Work is also well underway, both internally and externally, to improve our entry system, security, and staff parking.

## WRAPAROUND CARE

I am delighted to tell you that, in response to your requests, we can now offer wraparound care for the start and the end of the school day. The school will continue to provide breakfast club each morning and Khickster Entertainment will provide after school care until 6pm. We hope this will make life easier for working parents, as well as enriching the children's social time both before and after school.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be available from 7.45am on the first day back, Tuesday, 3rd September, at £2.20 per session. Please book and make payment in advance, via the Arbor App/Portal, to enable us to ensure adequate resources and staffing are in place. Advance bookings can be made from 9.30am on Monday, 26th August and booking is open up to half an hour before a session is due to start.



There is further information on how to book on the school website: <https://monkton.kent.sch.uk/breakfast-club>

### Khickster Entertainment After-School Care Club

Khickster Entertainment's wraparound after-school care club will be onsite, exclusively for Monkton CEP pupils. From 9th September, it will be open every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for years 1-6. From October the club will also be open to Year R pupils and Wednesdays will be available too.

There will be 3 options for after-school wraparound care, as follows:

- Option 1: 15:15 - 18:00 after-school care including a small dinner/hot snack: £15.00
- Option 2: 15:15 - 16:30 after-school care only: £6.00
- Option 3: 16:15 - 18:00 after-school care (following a school-led club) including a small dinner/hot snack: £10.00



Bookings must be made online at: [www.khicksterentertainment.co.uk/book](http://www.khicksterentertainment.co.uk/book), using the password Monkton.

We are really looking forward to welcoming the Khickster Entertainment team to Monkton and are grateful that they are able to offer this valuable service to our pupils.



### SCHOOL LUNCHES

Apologies, there was an error in previous correspondence regarding the cost of the school lunches. Caterlink School Lunches will be **£2.85** from September 2024.

A reminder that if your child is in EYFS (Year R) or KS 1 (Years 1-2) they are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM). Furthermore, your child may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM), whatever their year group. Please contact the school office or take a look at the school website for further information: <https://monkton.kent.sch.uk/parents/Lunch>

Caterlink are changing their payment and booking system to ParentPay. Details on how to create your account were sent to you via email and are also available on the school website. Please do create your account and book your child's meal in advance via ParentPay. This will allow Caterlink to manage their resources appropriately, reducing waste and ensuring every child gets their preferred lunch choice.

If your child has a food allergy or intolerance, please complete the Caterlink Form, available on the school website, and return it to the school office. This will then be updated on their ParentPay account, ensuring each meal ordered is safe for them.

## SCHOOL CLUBS



Mr Sewell's **Sports Clubs** will run on Tuesdays for years 1-3 and Thursdays for years 4-6. These clubs will focus on local sports events and competitions and those pupils attending the clubs will be selected to represent the school in appropriate events.

**Choir** will run on Mondays, leading up to Young Voices 2025. The cost is £3 per week, but we ask that your child commits to the full term, as the cost of the club will cover their Young Voices entry, coach travel and event T-shirt.



Miss Allen will be running **Lego Club** on Thursdays in Term 1. This club is available to years 1, 2 & 3 but spaces are limited. This club has an earlier pick-up time of **4pm**.



Please note, there is an amendment to Mrs Vesty's Gardening Club, since the previous newsletter. It will run every **Thursday, in Term 2**, from the 7th November to the 12th December, for Years 2, 3 & 4.



**Club registration is available, via the Arbor App/Portal. Please ensure your child is registered for their chosen club(s) if they wish to attend.**

**Football Fun Factory** will be back for Term 1 and will run every Monday from 9th September 2024. The club is open to all year groups. Booking and payment must be made in advance via the Football Fun Factory website. The link to make payment will be available on the school website from the first week of September 2024.



CLUB	LEAD	YEAR GROUPS	DAY	TERM	Start Date	End Date	Number of weeks	Pick up time	Cost per session
Young Voices Choir	Mr Marston	3, 4, 5, 6	Monday	Term 1	09/09/2024	21/10/2024	7	4.15pm	£3
				Term 2	04/11/2024	09/12/2024	6		
Football Fun Factory	Coach Holly	All	Monday	Term 1	09/09/2024	21/10/2024	7	4.15pm	£5
				Term 2	04/11/2024	09/12/2024	6		
Sports Club	Mr Sewell	1, 2, 3	Tuesday	Term 1	10/09/2024	22/09/2024	7	4.15pm	£1
				Term 2	05/11/2024	10/12/2024	6		
		4, 5, 6	Thursday	Term 1	12/09/2024	24/10/2024	7		
				Term 2	07/11/2024	12/12/2024	6		
Lego Club	Miss Allen	1, 2, 3	Thursday	<b>Term 1 only</b>	12/09/2024	24/10/2024	7	<b>4.00pm</b>	£1
Gardening Club	Mrs Vesty	2, 3, 4	Thursday	<b>Term 2 only</b>	07/11/2024	12/12/2024	6	4.15pm	£1

### FOREST SCHOOL

Forest School will run every Friday in Term 1, please see the adjacent schedule.

Please ensure children come to school wearing appropriate clothing on their forest school day - this includes a waterproof coat and trousers. We have a limited number of waterproof trousers and coats in school but cannot guarantee they will fit your child. After Forest School, children will get changed into their school uniform. Please ensure uniform is brought into school in a named bag.

We are always extremely grateful to our parents who help out with Forest School. If you would like to help out in the future and you fancy the possibility of getting muddy and wet whilst den-building, then please speak to Mrs Osgood (Forest School Practitioner) or Mrs Guilder (Forest School Lead).

CLASS	WEEK	DATE
Class 4	Week 1	06/09/2024
Class 3	Week 2	13/09/2024
Class 2	Week 3	20/09/2024
Class 1	Week 4	27/09/2024
Class 4	Week 5	04/10/2024
Class 3	Week 6	11/10/2024
Class 2	Week 7	18/10/2024
Class 1	Week 8	25/10/2024



**Enjoy the rest of your summer break. We look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday, 3rd September 2024**

*Mrs Ling*