

Monkton Church of England Primary School

Compassion Courage Justice

Jesus said, 'Go and do the same.'



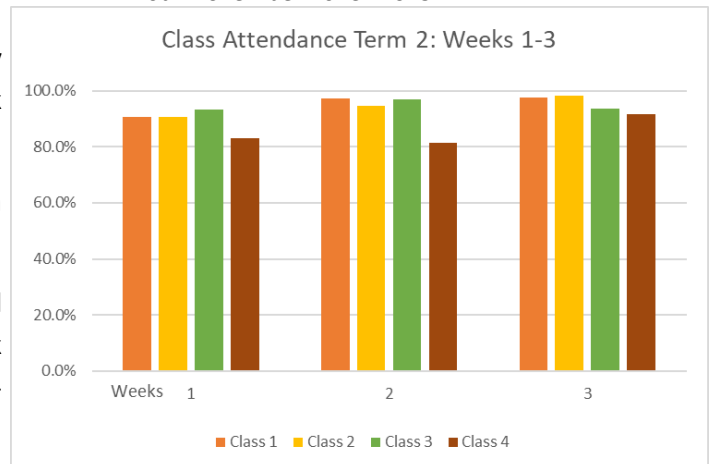
Dear Parents/Carers,

I can hardly believe that a whole month has gone by since my last newsletter, and here we are starting week 4 of this term.

Of course, with the onset of winter, we have been plagued with the usual coughs, colds and viruses.

Thank you for reporting any absences daily to the School Office either via email, to office@monkton.kent.sch.uk or by phone, on 01843 821394. This enables us to monitor attendance and safeguard our pupils effectively.

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SAFEGUARDING

At Monkton CEP safeguarding is a priority. All visitors are required to sign in at reception and we kindly ask that, if you need to come into school you do so via reception and refrain from entering the classrooms at drop-off or pick-up, unless invited to do so by a member of the school staff.



It has recently come to our attention that there is often a strong smell of cannabis in the area around pick-up time. This gives us cause for concern, with regards to the welfare of the children. Local police have been made aware and P.C. Howe has advised that they will be monitoring the local area regularly.

For further information regarding safeguarding and child protection please refer to the school website:

<https://monkton.kent.sch.uk/parents/safeguarding>

CAPTAIN WONDERWEB & THE ESTEEM MACHINE

Captain Wonderweb and Shooting Stars Entertainment brought their Esteem Machine to Monkton to share with the children. You can view their post show video with your children, and discuss the 5 healthy behaviours, they saw in the show, that support their well-being:

- Using less tech
- Balance eating
- Being active
- Healthy sleeping
- Speaking their feelings



Copy and paste the following link into your browser to view the post show video:

<https://vimeo.com/828735700/af28a2f860?share=copy>

There will be a change to the lunch menu, from 2nd—5th January, following the Christmas break. This is to assist with deliveries in the New Year period.

You can view Caterlink's Autumn/Winter menu and the lunch menu for 2nd-5th January on the school website: <https://monkton.kent.sch.uk/parents/Lunch>

caterlink
feeding the imagination

SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs are continuing to run through Term 2. Both Lego Club and Sewing Club are full but there are still spaces available on the Sports Clubs for all year groups. The focus of these sessions will be dodgeball. If your child would like to join please make payment via School Money. There are also some spaces still available on Football Fun Factory, if your child would like to give it a try please contact the School Office for further details.

CLUB	LEAD	YEAR GROUPS	DAY	Pick up time	Last session
Choir	Mr Marston	3,4,5,6	Monday	4.15pm	4th Dec
Football Fun Factory	FFF Coach	3,4,5,6	Monday	4.15pm	4th Dec
Sewing	Mrs Guilder & Miss Jenks	3,4,5,6	Tuesday	4.15pm	28th Nov
Sports Years 1&2	Mr Sewell	1&2	Tuesday	4.15pm	5th Dec
Sports Years 3&4	Mr Sewell	3&4	Wednesday	4.15pm	6th Dec
Sports Years 5&6	Mr Sewell	5&6	Thursday	4.15pm	7th Dec
Lego Club	Miss Debling	EYFS, 1,2,3	Thursday	4.15pm	7th Dec

YOU SAY WE DO

22nd November 2023 2.30pm

An invite to all parents/carers to join us in the hall for tea/coffee, biscuits and a chat. Share your views on how to make our school even better.



Photographs

We are aware that some of you were disappointed by the cost of the digital photographs from Imago.

Imago offer a greater selection of high quality photos, with single prints starting at £9.99, and their prices are competitive against other photo companies such as Tempest.

However, we do understand that if you prefer to purchase digital images, their price in contrast to our previous provider, is considerably higher.

We have spoken with Imago and hope to find a positive solution for future photo shoots.

KEY DATES IN TERM 2



- **22nd November, 2.30pm - You Say, We Do Parent Meeting**
- **24th November, 3.15pm - PTA Bake Sale in the hall**
- **1st December, 4.30pm-5.45pm - PTA Christmas Disco**
- **6th December, 1pm-3pm - Monkton's Got Talent—Group Heats**
- **8th December, 9.30am - Year R Nativity**
- **11th December - Christingle Service at the Church**
- **13th December - Christmas Lunch Day followed by Monkton's Got Talent—The Grand Final**
- **14th December - Last day of Term 2**

We are closed to pupils for staff training on Friday 15th December 2023

For further information and important dates please refer to the calendar on the school website:

Kind regards, Mrs Ling