

Newsletter

September 2022 - Term 1



Dear Parents and Guardians,



We are looking forward to welcoming your children back in school on Thursday 1st September 2022, and extend a very warm welcome to our new Reception class and their families.

As you know, we said a fond farewell to Mrs Webb at the end of last term. We are so grateful for all she has done for the school over the past 32 years - she will be sadly missed.

My name is Mrs Ling and I am taking over the role of Business Manager. I will be in the School Office between 8.30am and 4.30pm and am looking forward to meeting you all.



TERM 1 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- ◆ 13th September—Roald Dahl Day
- ◆ 22nd September—Individual & sibling Photographs
- ◆ 29th September—Bishops Rose
150 year Celebration Visit
- ◆ 30th September—Flu Vaccine
- ◆ 4th October—Space Day!! Space & Sustainability
- ◆ 21st October—Show Racism the Red Card Day

Full dates for the academic year can be found on the school website www.monkton.kent.sch.uk

We will be offering a full range of after school clubs and sporting activities this year.

Term1 After School Clubs include:

- ◆ Football Club
Years 4-6
- ◆ Netball Club
Years 4-6
- ◆ Outdoor & Adventurous Activities Club
Years 1-6

Details of these and future clubs and activities will be sent via email. Please ensure we have your up-to-date email address.

BREAKFAST CLUB



Breakfast Club starts on Monday 5th September and runs between 7.45 and 8.45am, Monday to Friday. It does not need to be booked in advance. Children should be brought to the Courtyard between 7.45 and 8.15am and wait at the hall door to be admitted by a member of staff.

Payment for breakfast club is £2.00 per session and should be made via School Money. Please ensure you have signed up for online payments at www.eduspot.co.uk and login using the School Money Parent Login.

TIMEKEEPING AND ABSENCE



It is important that your child is on time each day for school. School starts promptly at 8.50am and all children should be in school and ready to learn at this time.

Pick up time is 3.10pm from the playground. If you are going to be unavoidably late or have arranged for someone else to collect your child please contact the School Office on 01843 821394.



FLU VACCINE

The Kent and Medway School Immunisation Team will be visiting our school on **30th September 2022**.

A letter with further information and instructions for online consent has been sent via email.

ROAD CROSSING PATROL

As you are aware Mrs Pilcher sadly had to give up her role as Road Crossing Patrol. There will therefore be limited Road Crossing Patrol over the next few weeks, with no Road Crossing Patrol available at drop off or pick up on Mondays or in the afternoons from Tuesday—Friday, until further notice.

Please ensure you park considerably and sensibly at drop off and collection and that your children cross safely in the absence of any Road Crossing Patrol.



ROAD CLOSURE

Please be aware that KCC have advised of a closure to Monkton Street from 8 September to carry out planned works for a new water connection. More details will be made available in due course.



FOOD BANK

Our local food bank is based in Birchington and is known as The Birchington Food Bank or Storehouse. If you are struggling to make ends meet and food is in short supply, they will be able to support you for 8 weeks. Please contact either myself or Mr Marston should you need to use the Food Bank. We will be able to explain how our local foodbank works and make a referral on your behalf (in the strictest confidence).

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

Being part of an active PTA provides the opportunity to meet new people, make new friends and become part of the school community.

The PTA fundraises for the school, enabling them to provide little extras for the children, such as a school disco, leavers' lunch etc.

If you have a few hours to spare and would like to get involved please let the school office know.



CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure the school office has your current email address and telephone numbers as we will continue to communicate via text messages and emails.

Many thanks

Mrs Ling