



# Monkston Primary School

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## Newsletter 5

17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023



Dear Parents / Carers,

I know that we still have two weeks until December, but it becomes a very busy time of year in school with events taking place throughout the month. The aim is that this newsletter is a one-stop-shop for all things Christmas this year – one you can print out and pin to the fridge for reference!

### Reception and Year 1 Nativity

It is traditional at Monkston that both Reception and Year 1 produce a nativity play to share with their parents which is a highlight of our Christmas calendar. Two tickets per performance per family will be sent home nearer the time. You are welcome to apply to the office for extra tickets if any become available, so please let the office know if you are not planning to use all four of the tickets you will be given.

**Reception Nativity – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am and 2.30pm**

**Year 1 Nativity – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2.15pm & 5.00pm**

### Christmas lunch & Christmas jumper / non-uniform day

Innovate will be serving their school Christmas lunch on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**. Booking for this can be done in the usual way on their website and the deadline for this is Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December.



Children are also welcome to wear non-uniform / Christmas clothes to school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. There is no charge for this.

### Christmas Post Box - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December until Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

The Christmas post box will be in operation this year. Children are welcome to send Christmas cards to their friends and members of staff. **Please ensure that first and last names are used on the envelope and that a class or year group is also included.**



## Christmas parties

Every year, the children enjoy a Christmas party in school. **On the day of your child's party, they can come into school wearing their Christmas party clothes / non-uniform.** At 2pm, they will head to the hall with their class teachers to enjoy party games and dancing.



During the party, the children will enjoy some party buffet food. We ask for the children to bring in one small item to add to the buffet table for everyone to share. Each class will be asked to bring either sweet or savoury items. Any non-perishable leftover items will be taken to the MK Food Bank on the last day of term.

Year group	Party date	Class	Items to bring
Reception	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Rabbits	Sweet
		Hedgehogs	Savoury
Year 1	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	1L	Sweet
		1WP	Savoury
Year 2	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	2P	Sweet
		2E	Savoury
Year 3	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	3S	Sweet
		3P	Savoury
Year 4	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	4WJ	Sweet
		4C	Savoury
Year 5	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	5W	Sweet
		5CH	Savoury
Year 6	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	6B	Sweet
		6G	Savoury

## Friends of Monkston events

### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December - FOMS Christmas fair 3.10pm – 4.45pm

The Christmas fair promises to be an afternoon full of family fun with 'Elfridges', games, and food, as well as a carol performance from the school choir at 3.45pm. Please mark the date in your diaries and invite friends and family to come along!

### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Treat day

Popcorn and a gingerbread are available to purchase for £1 via the gateway app for children to enjoy during the Christmas film afternoon in class.



### Christmas Events overview

Year group	Date	Event
Whole school	<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	FOM Christmas fair 3.10pm – 4.45pm
Reception	<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Reception Nativity 9.15am & 2.30pm
Reception	<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Reception Christmas party 2.00pm
Whole school	<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Post Box opens
Year 1	<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 1 Nativity 2.15pm & 5.00pm
Year 1	<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 1 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 2	<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 2 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 3	<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 3 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 4	<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 4 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 5	<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 5 Christmas party 2.00pm
Whole school	<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas lunch Christmas jumper / Non-uniform day [no charge]
Whole school	<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Final day for the Christmas post box
Year 6	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Year 6 Christmas party 2.00pm
Whole school	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	FOM Treat day [given out during the film afternoon]
Whole school	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Christmas film afternoon [n/b year 6 will watch their film in the morning with their FOM treat]
Whole school	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Last day of term

Kind regards

*H. Williams*

Mrs Hannah Williams

