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Newsletter 6

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Dear Parents / Carers,

I know that we still have a week 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 3rd December 9.15am and 2.30pm

Year 1 Nativity – Tuesday 10th December 9.15am and 2.15pm

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper / Non-uniform Day

Innovate will be serving their school Christmas lunch on **Wednesday 18th December**. Booking for this can be done in the usual way on their website and the deadline for this is Saturday 14th December in the morning.



Children are also welcome to wear non-uniform / Christmas clothes to school on Wednesday 18th December. There is no charge for this.

Christmas Post Box - Monday 9th December until Thursday 19th December

The Christmas post box will be in operation again 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 in the year group 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	Thursday 5 th December	Rabbits	Sweet
		Hedgehogs	Savoury
Year 1	Wednesday 11 th December	1L	Sweet
		1WP	Savoury
Year 2	Thursday 12 th December	2P	Sweet
		2E	Savoury
Year 3	Friday 13 th December	3S	Sweet
		3JC	Savoury
Year 4	Monday 16 th December	4CW	Sweet
		4P	Savoury
Year 5	Tuesday 17 th December	5W	Sweet
		5CH	Savoury
Year 6	Thursday 19 th December	6B	Sweet
		6J	Savoury

Friends of Monkston Events

Friday 6th December - FOMS Christmas fair 3.10pm – 5.00pm

The Christmas fair promises to be an afternoon full of family fun with 'Elfridges' and food, as well as a carol performance from the school choir at 3.45pm. Our Young Carers group will also be selling homemade items to raise money for their group. Please mark the date in your diaries and invite friends and family to come along!

Thursday 19th December - Treat Day

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



Kind regards

Mrs Hannah Williams





Christmas Events Overview

Year group	Date	Event
Reception	Tuesday 3rd December	Reception Nativity 9.15am & 2.30pm
Reception	Friday 5th December	Reception Christmas party 2.00pm
Whole school	Friday 6th December	FOM Christmas fair 3.10pm – 5.00pm
Whole school	Monday 9th December	Christmas Post Box opens
Year 1	Tuesday 10th December	Year 1 Nativity 9.15am & 2.15pm
Year 1	Wednesday 11th December	Year 1 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 2	Thursday 12th December	Year 2 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 3	Friday 13th December	Year 3 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 4	Monday 16th December	Year 4 Christmas party 2.00pm
Year 5	Tuesday 17th December	Year 5 Christmas party 2.00pm
Whole school	Wednesday 18th December	Christmas lunch Christmas jumper / non-uniform day
Whole school	Thursday 19th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final day for the Christmas post box • Christmas film afternoon [n/b year 6 will watch their film in the morning with their FOM treat] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FOM Treat day [given out during the film afternoon]
Year 6	Thursday 19th December	Year 6 Christmas party 2.00pm
Whole school	Friday 20th December ½ day	Last day of term 8.30am – 12.00pm <u>Please ensure that your child is collected by 12.00pm on Friday 20th December</u> No after school club facility is available on this day. If your child is going home with someone who is not on the home time collection list for your child, please email the school office.
Whole school	Friday 20th December	1.00 – 3.30pm staff training