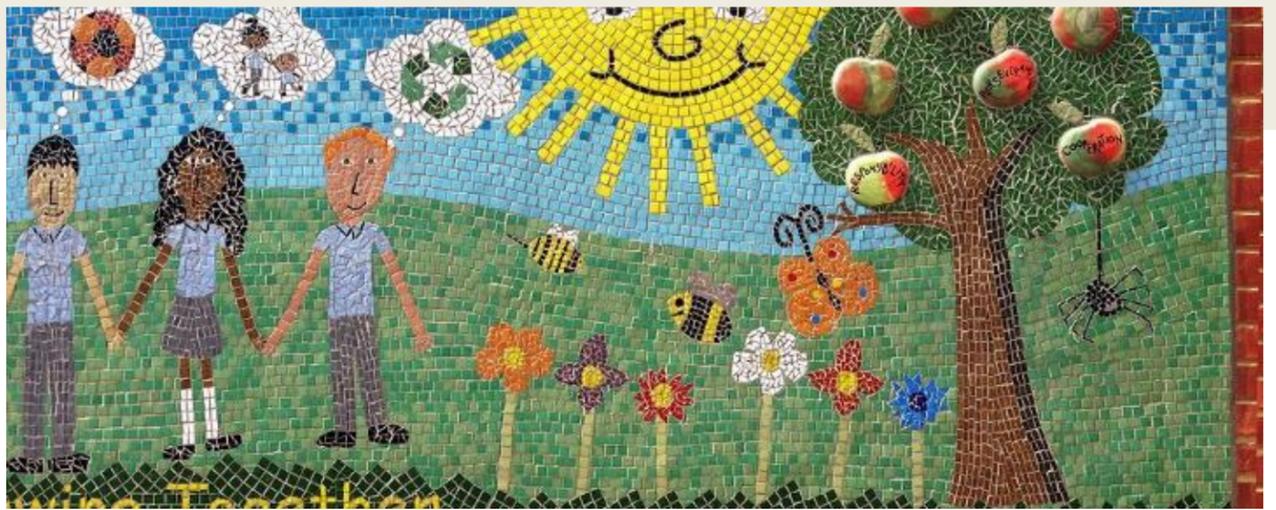


Monks Orchard Magazine

Written by Students for Students



Hair Gel Hen



Mosaic Monks Orchard Primary School

THE CHICKENS

Cymeon, Jay & Luka

Our Chickens at Monks Orchard are fed and looked after by Mrs Woodhouse and live on the Infant side of our field. We have 6 of them and they are all hens. This chicken nicknamed Hair Gel (photo) is a very weird chicken, its hair sticks up as if it has hair gel in its feathers.

Did you know?

The Chickens were named by the Year 3s who are now in Year 6. Parents of pupils can buy eggs from a chicken. The fear of chickens is called Alektorophobia. Chickens have 3 eyelids



Chick, Chick, Chickens!

School Uniform Yes or No?

Clara, Ava & Tanem



Monks Orchard currently has a school uniform rule, which has been in place for years.

The school uniform keeps the children looking smart. Some students feel it restricts their ability to be free, in their choice of clothing. These students claim it goes against their freedom to wear what they like.

Monks Orchard's uniform has several positives including people cannot show off certain pieces of clothing, and everyone knows that we attend Monks Orchard Primary School. The fact that we all wear the same thing means children are not bullied for the quality or style of their clothes. Finally, school uniform makes all children look smart.

Many pupils believe uniform stops them from expressing their personality and mood through their clothing and fashion they wear. Children also get to show off their clothing and get into the latest crazes. Tianna said, "I think we should have dress restrictions but not uniform".



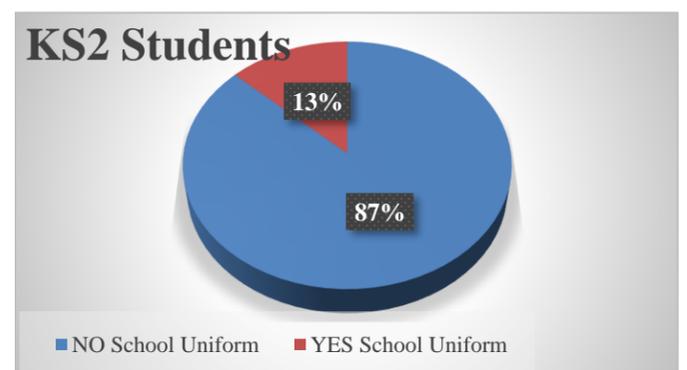
It can feel uncomfortable, and it may not be suited for certain types of weather. Some students find uniform an inconvenience, as they have to pay for expensive uniform that they wash every day to keep them clean. As well as school uniform constantly changing, providing further inconvenience and cost to parents.



jumpers"

How do you and your class feel about the uniform? You may have a different opinion to your friends, so ask them to see what they think. "I prefer my own clothes so I don't have to wear itchy

School opinion
KS2 Students from Year 3 to 6 87% of pupils did not want school uniform



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Staff Interviews – Head Teacher and more.

Activity Clubs, Short Stories, Puzzles and Jokes.

Mrs Dumotier

After School Club (ASC) Interview

Luke, Jasmine & Ava

Do you like running this club?
Yes.

What do you like about it?
It is important to make sure that all of the lovely children, which attend the ASC, enjoy the variety and choices of food and little snack and drinks that we offer them. We also enjoy playing together with different years of children younger or older then use different games and toys inside or outside.

Do you think the children enjoy after school club?

Yes, I think they do. I think it sometimes takes a bit of time for the new young children to get used to and enjoy the ASC. The older children always help them to feel more comfortable.

After school Club Attendees Likes and Dislikes

I like the food, drawing, having a nice time with friends. I dislike not being able to go straight home after school.

I would like more to do like arts and crafts.



Mrs Dumotier - ASC Team Leader

Mrs Woodhouse

Teaching Assistant, Librarian & Chicken Carer

Zara, Anya, Jay & Luka

What did you want to be before you were a Teaching Assistant?
Work in an office as a Civil Servant.

What is it like to take care of the chickens?
Hard work, it is not something I like to do.

Would you like help with the chickens? Please call on Jay and Luka
Yes, please.

What is it like working at this school?
Amazing! Staff are lovely and the children are fantastic.

Do you have any pets?
Not at home, but at school I have seven chickens.

What is it like being the school librarian?
I love it because I like books.

Are you scared of anything?
Yes, heights.

Do you run an activity club after school?
Netball.

Are you planning to write your own book?
No.



Mrs Woodhouse

The Beehive of Learning

Tanem, Luke, Aba & Amira

Monks Orchard teaches all different types of skills, through different lessons and after school activities. From sports, cooking, music, arts and magazine club.

Art Class Review:

Art in Monks Orchard is described as the dream class! Our current art teacher is Mrs Warren. The children in Monks Orchard love to do art with Mrs Warren as she is always providing creative art lessons with clear instructions!

Magazine Club Review:

Here in Magazine Club, we are busy writing articles, just like this one, every Tuesday afternoon. We have interviewed children asking them what they think of magazine club. You would be surprised about all the good reviews we have had! Some children even said 'I would give Magazine club a 10/10 rating! Anyway, I personally think that Magazine club has

- 1) Helped me make new friends.
- 2) Helped me understand how a newspaper/magazine works.
- 3) Helped me look forward to something **FUN**

This club is a great way to learn the necessary qualities to become a proficient writer and a good way of sharing ideas. People really look forward to Tuesday because of Magazine club! Some even say it is so much fun that they could **EXPLODE**.

Breakfast Club (BC)

Jay, Luka, Shiloh & Cymeon

For the small price of approximately £20 a month, Breakfast club is the only place –in school grounds– that you can enjoy a nutritious, variety of breakfasts with your friends every day. There are countless different activities that you can do, such as, playing with Lego, going outside to play, drawing and much more.

Year 6 Production

Amira, Joe & Shiloh

This year is going to be different to the other plays that have been performed to the school. Ms Bennett has chosen 20 songs for the production. It has songs from musicals from Annie, Hairspray, Matilda, The Greatest Showman and many more! We are going to sing them one-by-one and in-between them are going to be small acting scenes from the films. We all have to participate in it and do our best to remember the lyrics of the songs they do not well. Some songs have solos in them. Some need groups with a certain amount of people.

Mr Fairbairn – Who is our Head Teacher?

Clara, Niyaz, Tanem, Zara and Aba

Mr Fairbairn if you were not a Head Teacher, what would you be?

A gardener because I love gardening.

What is your favourite part of being a Head Teacher?

When I get to go out of my office.

How much does it pay?

It depends on the size and location of the school.

What do you think of the behaviour in the school?

The behaviour is great but some children can do better.

Will you be quitting soon?

I have no plans.

Do you like the school?

I like it.

Do you enjoy being Head Teacher?

It is hard work and parts of it I enjoy and some parts I do not enjoy.

What did you want to be growing up?

I wanted to be a bed tester and when I was older I wanted to be a pianist.

Are you happy in Monks Orchard Primary School?

I am happy in Monks Orchard Primary School.

Did you have any jobs before now?

I have been a teacher for thirty years, a Head Teacher for three schools and worked in a sweet factory.

Games Reviews

Joe, Shiloh, Amber and Teddy.

Bad weather in the summer is when you find yourself playing a computer and or console game. There are so many games out on the market, that you should always check with your trusted adult about which games you are allowed to play. This is because all games have a recommended age, which tells you if they are suitable for your age group. There is something for everyone including many fun educational games so you are learning at the same time as playing. The top rated game for this year is Tetris.

Reduce Our Plastic Use

Echo Warriors.

Lana and Zara

If you don't reduce plastic use now, the planet may become unstable. But that is only a theory. After all the world is only a planet. The plastic pollution is spreading worldwide to animals, insects and now plants. If you stop using the one-time plastic you are saving a lot of things, and making the world a better place.

Reuse, Reduce, Recycle - Be a Hero and Save our planet!

Activity Clubs

Luke, Shiloh, Zara & Anya

There are so many activity clubs at Monks Orchard for the children to participate from netball, gardening, cooking, computing, art to so many more before and after school.

Magazine Club

Here in magazine club we are typing away at our keyboards for great articles like this one.

Cello Club

In Cello club pupils get to experience playing and grasping the feel of the cello. You get to learn how to play the cello

Cooking Club

Cooking club is where pupils learn and taste there fabulous dishes. Some dishes include pasta bake and cookies.

Art Club

Children can learn and develop their artistic skills.

Story time Club

Children read stories as a group and discuss the book and characters.

Sewing Club

You can learn sewing skills, create and sew your own designs.

Just Joking

Niyaz, Tanem, Teddy, and Aba

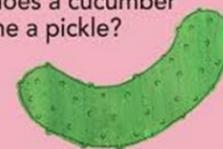
Why do seagulls fly over the sea?
If they flew over the bay, they would be Bagels!

Why was the nose so strong?
It could not stop running!

What do you say to a cow that is squashing you?
Moo-ve over!

How many holes in a Polo?
4 – 1 the A, 1 in the P, 1 in the O and one in the O of "A Polo"

How does a cucumber become a pickle?



It goes through a jarring experience.

Summer Holidays – Blue Sky Fun!

Serena, Samaah Amira & Jasmine

Swimming & Sports

This activity is a great way to get active and to have fun! This is the perfect way to get into the holiday vibe, and it is a great way to do exercise. There are a number of local leisure centres near the school, which include a swimming pool.

You can do some other things, not only swimming! Another physical activity you could try is tennis. Tennis may look and sound hard, but it is actually quite simple. All you need is two rackets and a tennis ball, (if you do not have a tennis ball you could use a very bouncy ball). You only have to hit the ball with your racket and try to make your opponent miss it. Going to the park is a great way to get active with friends and or family.

Still feeling bored?

If you feel like staying in, then do so, there are plenty more options. You could read a book or play a board game. Snakes and ladders is a highly rated game. If you feel like using technology, then you can. You could play video games, or look up information then present it to your class.

Bug Hotel

If you are in the garden and you feel bored, then maybe you could make a bug hotel. This is a nice way to connect with nature this way; bugs will not creep into your house and live in your room.

Cartoon Art

If you like cartoons, then this activity will be perfect for you! Making your own cartoon character is a good way to practise art and test your imagination!

Language skills

Language skills are some of the most useful, universal ones on the planet. Use your time to learn any new language or learn a form of programming like visual basic or HTML. If you're especially bored, try making your own codes or ciphers.

Stormy Weather?

Everyone knows that summer isn't always sunny, but if it's raining then you could go to a museum. This way you can stay educated and you will have loads of information for the next school year.

Dots and Boxes Game Instructions

2 different colouring pencils

A friend or family member

A piece of paper

Dots and boxes is a simple game with a simple goal: whoever "owns" the most boxes at the end of the game wins. You and your opponent take turns drawing horizontal or vertical lines to connect the boxes. When someone draws a line that completes a box, you write your initial inside to win the box. Once all the dots have been connected, you can count up the boxes and find the winner.

Origami

Origami is paper folding and can make great gifts. Start with something easy such as a crown, a fortune teller, or a heart. You will need square sheets of paper that are 15 by 15 cm in size.

In order to make a child size crown you will need 4-5 pieces of square paper, 15 by 15 cm in size. For an adult crown, you will need 6-7 pieces. Create a cross crease. Fold the paper in half horizontally. Use your finger to make a sharp crease and unfold the paper. Then fold the paper in half vertically. Make a sharp crease using your finger, and unfold.

Create a point on top. Fold the top left corner in to meet the centre crease, followed by the right. Use your finger to tighten each crease. At this stage, your paper will look like a little house. Bend the bottom edge up to meet the centre. Make a good crease with your finger. At this stage, your paper will look like a sailboat.

Fold the bottom edge upward again. Fold the rectangle you made upward, so that it overlaps 1 more time. You have now completed your first modular crown section.

Create 3-6 more crown pieces and fit them together. Repeat this method to create more modular crown pieces. Slide the bottom rectangular part of 1 piece inside the rectangular fold of another. Wiggle the pieces together as far as they will go, until the bottoms of the triangles overlap. Finally, connect the first and last pieces together to form a ring.

Summer holidays are here so Have Fun!

Short Story

Amber

The Old Wizard who lost his Wand.

"Where is that darn thing?!" exclaimed Walter the old wizard. He had been looking for his wand all morning!

Walter had made a spell so that he could understand what Lewis his beloved dog was saying, but he accidentally fed it to him. I know what you're thinking - How can you give a dog a potion by accident? Well, Walter had put the potion next to the water and because it was clear, Lewis drank it by mistake, and now he could talk!

"May I suggest Sir using a 'Find It Potion'?" suggested his dog Lewis, "Excellent idea my furry friend, just I don't have 'Find It Potion'" said Walter laughing nervously.

Lewis gave a sigh "In your Potion Book Sir".

Losing his patience, Lewis got up from his bed and managed to grab the potion book with his mouth and gave it to Walter. Walter took it, wiped it, and skipped through the book to page 579 to 'Find It Potions'.

The ingredients were a shredded map; broken compass and a powdered star which you can purchase at any good wizarding store, Walter reached into his robe pocket for his wand (even though it was lost) and he... pulled out his wand! Lewis sighed.

"Well at least we have spare find-it potion in case of emergencies" said Walter with a weak smile

"I can't find the find-it potion" says Walter a forgetful wizard.

"SERIOUSLY!!" says Lewis in a temper "I don't know maybe you should try LOOKING IN YOUR POCKET!!"

Short Story

Tanem

Mr Beaver was making tea for him and Mrs Beaver. It was Sunday, the BEST day of the week! When the tea was ready, he handed it over to Mrs Beaver.

“BOO” Mr Beaver shouted.

“AAHHHHHH” Mrs Beaver screamed, while spilling her tea, “HOT, HOT, HOT” Her blood boiled in anger “RAAWW”

Mr Beaver knew he was in trouble. He turned. He had made a mistake. Behind him he could see Mrs Beaver chasing him with a pan, yes a pan!

It was Mr Beavers turn to scream... “AHHHHHHH” ...

Sea and Ocean Life

Lana and Amira

The sea and the ocean have many ways to impress and are brilliant places for beaches. They can also be dangerous and unsafe for unsupervised children. Many children get hurt and injured, so always make sure that you are on aware of your surroundings and that there are life guards around to help.

There are so many sea and ocean sea creatures. So please take care of them and do not touch unless you know how to do so.

Clams

The biggest clam ever recorded was around 750 pounds in weight! It was discovered in Okinawa, Japan in 1956. The oldest living—at the time—clam was a quahog found near Iceland. It was estimated to be about 405 years old and could possibly have been the oldest living marine animal.



Nature Activities - Indoors and Out

Jasmin, Samaah and Serena

Build a den

Collect some snapping branches and crunchy leaves and start building your hideaway in the heart of nature.

Go Stargazing

On a clear night you can make a wish on a shooting star, or spot a planet from your garden. The night sky is full of spectacular sights whatever time of year it is.

Make friends with a bug

Your garden is a great place to look for all sorts of bugs try searching under rocks and stones, in the soil or the grass. Does your creature have fur, wings or many legs? Remember to put any creepy-crawlies back where you found them afterwards.

Bird watch

Watch birds fly, sing, chat to each other and eat their food by finding somewhere quiet to sit, watch and wait. Just make sure you don't frighten them off, birds get spooked pretty easily.

Camp in your garden

Your back garden might not seem that wild but it's a great place to pitch a tent and keep an eye out for animals. Fall asleep to the tune of bats and owls as they go about their night activities.

Join nature's band

A blade of grass makes an amazing noise when you know what to do with it. A couple of stones and a tree stump can double as a wild drum. You could even start your own band with your friends.

Make an Indoor Garden

A large container, lid optional.

Tray to stand container on.

Compost / Earth.

Grass /Cress / Herb seeds.

Decorative items, such as stones for baths and pinecones.

Scissors for trimming and maintenance! Ask an adult for help.

If your container does not have holes, make some at the bottom for drainage and top for air circulation. Ask an adult to help. Add a good layer of compost to the bottom of your container.



Decorate with stones etc. although, these may get rearrange several times. All part of the garden game!

Sprinkle liberally with grass seeds.

Water regularly, ensure that there is sunlight, and let it grow!

Trim your garden regularly and add different decorations.

Later you can add small flowers.

Make a drinking tray for birds

What you'll need

A large clean yoghurt pot.

A plastic plant pot tray, with a depth of about 2cm.

Ask a grown up to help you make a small hole in the yoghurt pot about 1cm from the rim.

Fill the pot with cold water and put the plant pot tray on top.

Very carefully and holding on tightly, turn the two, still pushed together, so that the yoghurt pot is now upside down. The water will flow into the tray and will stop at the level of the hole in the yoghurt pot.

As the birds have a drink, the water will refill from inside the yoghurt pot.

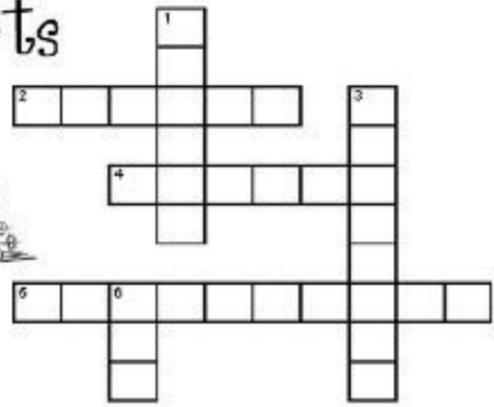
Watch and see which birds come to drink the water.



PUZZLE PAGE

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Italy	gpeyt	_____

Sports



- Across**
- You kick a black and white ball.
 - You need a racket and a net.
 - You throw the ball into a basket.

- Down**
- A sport you play in an ice rink.
 - You need a glove and a bat.
 - A winter sport.

Gardening Word Search

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| Community Garden | Mulching | Bonus Challenge: |
| Composting | Organic | Find 3 common |
| Flower Pots | Planting | compost materials |
| Gardener | Raking | 1. |
| Greenhouse | Shrubs | 2. |
| Horticulture | Trees | 3. |
| Landscape Design | Vegetable Patch | |
| Lawn Mowing | Watering | |

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Weather



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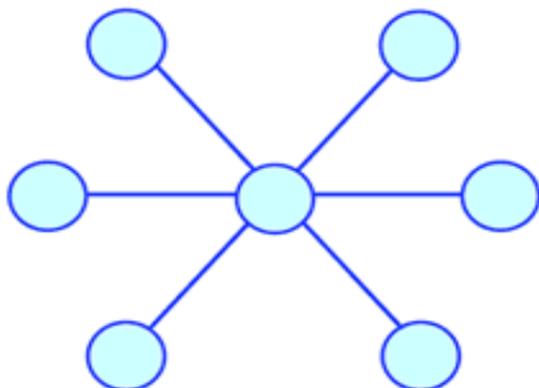
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| blizzard | dew | frost | lightning | thunder |
| blue sky | downpour | grey sky | rainy | tornado |
| cloudy | dry | hail | sizzling | warm |
| cold | foggy | hot | snowy | wet |
| cool | freezing | hurricane | storm | windy |



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Puzzle time

Seven up!



Put the numbers

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

in the circles so that each straight line of three numbers adds up to the same total.



Name: _____

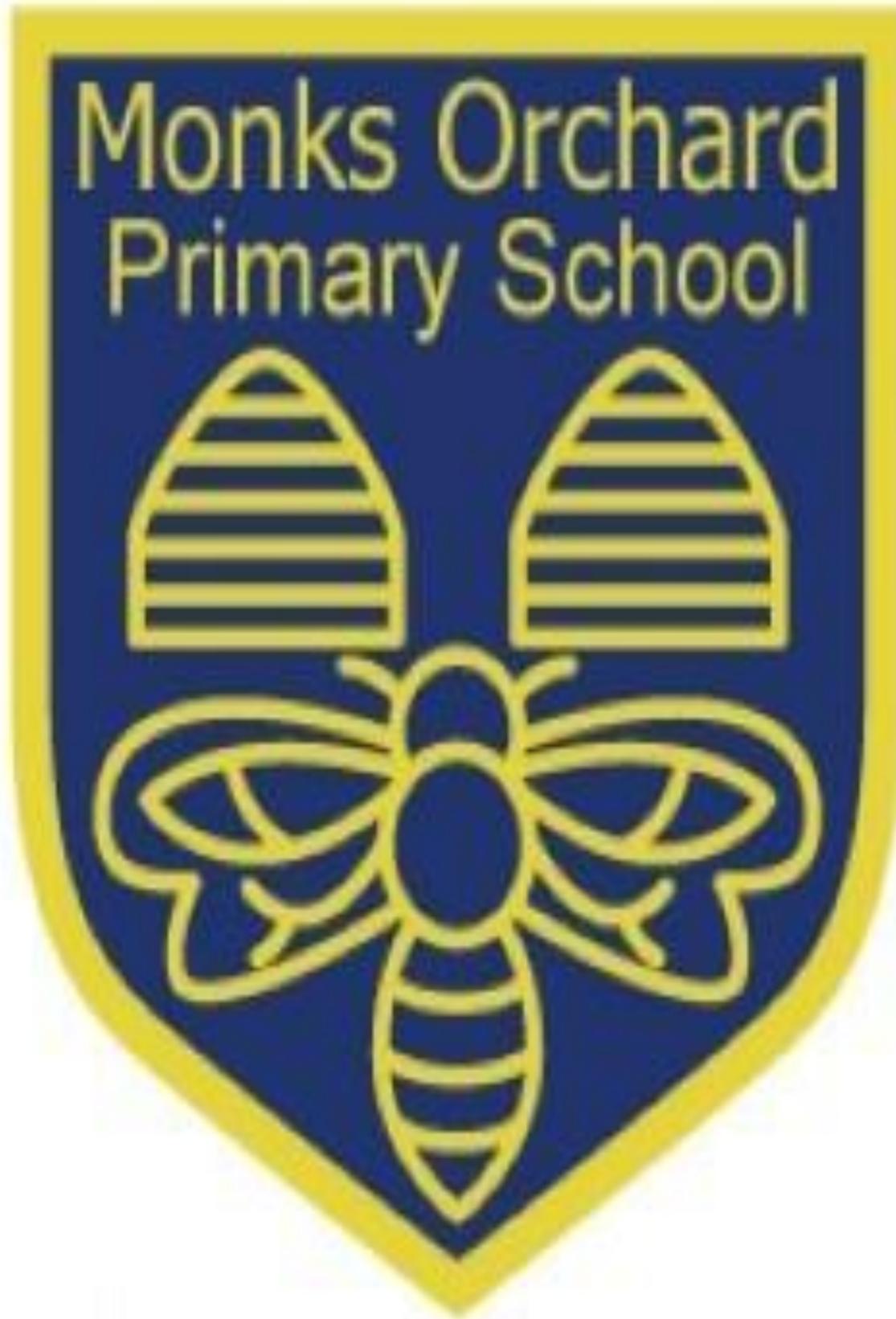
Number Bonds

Use addition and subtraction to fill in the missing number of each number bond.

example:

	a.	b.	c.
d.	e.	f.	g.
h.	i.	j.	k.
l.	m.	n.	o.

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Before the school existed, it was a popular fruit farm, which mostly grew apples. This is what gives the school, the name 'Monks Orchard'. By Cymeon