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Welcome to our latest Monks Orchard Primary School Newsletter 3 November 2023

Nursery

In the nursery this week we have been very busy. We have planted pumpkin seeds, that we scooped out of the pumpkins on our autumnal tray, we have our fingers crossed that they will grow. We visited the school kitchen to make shortbread cookies this morning, and during the week we have investigated how chocolate melts when placed over hot water, while decorating our apples.



Congratulations to our special Certificate Winners this week

YR, Murphy Class	Leon , for applying himself to all activities in class.
Y1, Donaldson Class:	Leo , for trying really hard to stay focused and for contributing some lovely ideas during 'carpet sessions.'
Y2, McKee Class:	Santana , for being such a superstar this week! You have been ready for learning at all times and have shown such maturity.
Y3, Nichols Class:	The whole class , for the fantastic class discussion, and participation, in our science lesson all about rocks.
Y4, Zephaniah Class	Ilkay , for showing great interest in our new topics: Ancient Egypt (in history) and The Digestive System (in science).
Y5, Leonard Class:	Kham , for his excellent effort and attitude towards maths this week.
Y6, Jackson Class:	Giselle , for your fantastic efforts in class this week.
Breakfast and After School Club	Keira , for consistently going 'above and beyond,' in helping us. We really appreciate your kindness.



Reception

This week in Reception, the children have been following the story *We're Going On A Bear Hunt*. We have designed and created our own bears and been on a bear number hunt.

We have also been having fun in our Vets! Lots of sharing, turn-taking and lovely telephone manners!



Year 5

This week, Year 5 went to Frylands Scout Camp for a day. We did some really exciting activities: climbing, making barrel carts and an assault course. We stayed until the evening and had a camp fire. A big thank you to Jenny and Chloe who came and sang some campfire songs with us. We got quite muddy but had a brilliant day!



Breakfast and After School Club

Even with the wet weather this week, we still had lots of fun at Breakfast and After School Club. We spent lots of our time indoors, playing with toys and board games, and in our cooking session we made chocolate apples.



Places are still available in Breakfast Club and After school Club.

Breakfast Club runs from 7:15am until the start of school, and costs just £4 per session.

After School Club starts straight after school and runs until 6pm. After School Club costs £9 per session.

We also have a shorter After School Club session, finishing at 4:30pm, which costs just £5 per session.

For more details, see the Breakfast and After School Club page on our website:

[Fairchildes Academy Community Trust - Breakfast and After School Club \(factrust.org\)](https://www.fairchildesacademycommunitytrust.org/breakfast-and-after-school-club)

Or talk to Mrs Bennett, in the school office.

Dates for your diary:

6 Nov: Y6 trip to Imperial War museum

7 Nov: Parent/Carer meetings

8 Nov: Parent/Carer meetings

24 Nov: Y4 trip to Horniman Museum

17 Nov: Y6 at Trinity School Concert (PM)

7 Dec: Y6 height and weight checks

8 Dec: Y4/Y6 festive performance (2pm)

12 Dec: Y5 festive performance (9:30am)

13 Dec: Y1/Y2 festive performance (9:15am)

13 Dec: EYFS festive performance (1:45pm)

14 Dec: Y1/Y2 festive performance (2pm)

15 Dec: Y3 festive performance (2pm)

(More details re performances to come.)

Thursday 21 December: last day of school

22 Dec to 7 Jan: Christmas Holiday

8 Jan: Children return to school

Attendance

Congratulations to Jackson Class for this week's best attendance with 98.93%

Class	% Attend	Lates
Y6 Jackson	98.93%	2
Y2 McKee	98.70%	3
Y1 Donaldson	98.33%	3
Y4 Zephaniah	97.50%	4
Y3 Nichols	96.47%	3
Y5 Leonard	96.00%	3
YR Murphy	95.56%	6



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