

MONKS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2021 MRS SIMPSON — PRINCIPAL



CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Unfortunately, due to the increasing numbers of Covid cases, we have made the difficult decision not to host any live Christmas performances or a Christmas fayre. Many schools across Cheshire East have made the same decision. However, you will be delighted to know that the Reception children will participate in a Nativity and years 1-6 will be performing a selection of Christmas songs and poems. These will all be videoed and shared with before we break up for Christmas.

The Bronze Party, Christmas parties and the Christmas lunch will still take place. However, children will be kept in classes, where possible, to reduce any additional risks of spreading Covid as we want everybody to be healthy and safe during the Christmas break.

Children are welcome to wear their Christmas jumpers on the 8th, 9th and 10th December. Donations of £1 will be gratefully received for Save the Children. This can be paid for on ParentPay or in cash. There is no obligation to donate.



COVID 19 CASES

A reminder that under Cheshire East guidelines, pupils who are household contacts of a positive COVID case are advised to stay at home for 5 days, limit social contact and get a PCR test before coming back to school. It is also advised that pupils take daily Lateral Flow Tests on their return to school for the remainder of the 10 day period.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER

As part of our Christmas celebrations this year, we are running a luxury Christmas hamper raffle. We have many festive hampers to be won! One entry to the draw is £1; however, there is no limit to the number of entries you can purchase. Entries can be paid for on ParentPay or in cash each day at drop off and collection times from the main academy office. The draw will take place on Wednesday 15th December and winners will be announced on the same day.



KEY DATES

- 02/12 - KS2 Theatre Trip
- 08/12 - EYFS KS1 and Nursery Xmas Dinner
- 09/12 - KS2 Xmas Dinner
- 10/12 - EYFS/KS1 Theatre Performance (In school)
- 17/12 - School closes for Christmas

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

Our Attendance Champions for the week-ending 26th November were:

EYFS/KS1 – **Mrs Hanson's class** achieved **95.4%**. Amazing!

KS2 – **Mrs Kelly's class** achieved **95.3%**. Very good!





Respect Stars Of The Week



Miss Broadgate – Brayah C

Mrs Bailey – Lidia W

Miss Day – Stephanie D

Miss Hadfield – Myla J

Miss Davies – Maci L

Mrs Hanson – Meda L

Miss Parr / Miss Fisher – Maddison H

Miss McNeil – Rayyan I

Mr Coker – Darren R

Miss Ashley - Ivan M

Mrs Bromilow - Millie M

Mr Williams - Pollyann M

Mrs Kelly - Emily S

Miss Aylott - Amy S

Mr Twigg - Willow M

Mrs Humber/ Miss McDade - Shanila Z

Mr Watts - Vivien F

JON SHAW FOUNDATION

A reminder that packs of Christmas cards (12 for £5) are on sale at school next week in support of the Jon Shaw Foundation. The cards have been designed by children to raise money to purchase monitors for children with epilepsy. Please place your orders at the school office.



PLAYGROUND SAFETY

Last week, there was an incident on the Key Stage Two playground whereby a child was accidentally injured when another child bumped into them. We would like to remind parents to keep their child by their side and supervised when on the school grounds. To ensure everyone's safety, bikes, trikes and scooters are not to be used whilst on the school grounds. Thank you for your support with this matter.

WEMBLEY TROPHY FOOTBALL MATCH

We would like to say a huge thank you to the children who represented Monks Coppenhall in the Wembley Trophy football match on Friday. The children gave it their all and put on a great performance despite not making it through to the next stage on this occasion.



THE CHESHIRE EAST WINTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME IS NOW LIVE!

Cheshire East Council has teamed up with local schools, childcare and holiday club providers and community and voluntary organisations to provide free fun activities during the winter holidays. The activities are available across Cheshire East for children and young people who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals. The holiday clubs will enable children and young people to enjoy fun activities with friends, whilst learning and developing new skills.

For further information you can visit the [Cheshire East Holiday Activity Fund](https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/HAF) website.

In Cheshire East we're running a **free holiday club programme** for children on free school meals.

Come and enjoy fun activities, healthy meals and more!

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/HAF

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

Department for Education

Cheshire East Council

ONLINE SAFETY

With an increasing number of children having access to a mobile phone, we would advise that all parents set up parental controls on their child's device. Most smartphones allow parents and carers to choose which apps and features appear on their child's device and which ones don't. This is an important measure to put in place to prevent young people from buying and downloading anything that's unsuitable for their age. [Click here](#) to see our Online Safety page on the academy website for lots more information and guidance on how you can keep your child safe online.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.

Privacy Settings: Location Services (On), Contacts, Calendars, Reminders, Photos, Bluetooth Sharing, Microphone, Speech Recognition, Camera, Health, HomeKit, Media & Apple Music, Motion & Fitness.

Game Center Settings: Allow Invites (On), Nearby Players (Off), Allow friends to invite you to play games, Allow nearby Game Center players to find and invite you to multiple games over Wi-Fi or Bluetooth, Oscar@NOS, Friend Recommendations (Off), Contacts (Off).

Screen Time Settings: 5h 7m, Social Network, Productivity, Reading & Reference, 2h 1m, 42m, 9m, Downtime (9:01 PM - 9:03 PM), App Limits, Always Allowed, Content & Privacy Restrictions (Block inappropriate content).

How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

How to Restrict Game Centre

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

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