

MONKS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2021 MRS SIMPSON — PRINCIPAL

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the staff to thank all of our families for their valued contribution this year. The children have worked extremely hard and our recent end of term assessments reflect the progress they have made.

We wish all our families a lovely Christmas break and a happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming all the children back to the academy on Tuesday 4th January.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE VIDEOS

We would like to say well done to all the children who took part in their Christmas performances. You all did a fantastic job and should all be very proud.

The videos are currently being uploaded to our website. You will receive an email once they are ready to view. We hope you enjoy them!

NON UNIFORM DAY

We would like to say a special thank you to everyone who has made a donation to support a bereaved family in school. We have managed to raise a total of £424.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER

As part of our Christmas celebrations this year, we ran a luxury Christmas hamper raffle.

Winners were drawn on Wednesday.

Congratulations to all 10 winners and a huge thank you to everyone who took part. We raised over £300 pounds!



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

Our Attendance Champions for the week-ending 17th December were:

EYFS/KS1 – **Miss Day's class** achieved **95%**. Well done!

KS2 – **Mrs Bromilow's class** achieved **96.2%**. Very good!





Respect Stars Of The Week



Miss Broadgate – Joshua R

Mrs Bailey – Archie E

Miss Day – Hunter D

Miss Hadfield – Ruby D

Miss Davies – Sam M

Mrs Hanson – Laila T

Miss Parr / Miss Fisher – Adrian M

Miss McNeil – Jack Fr

Mr Coker – Shannon F

Miss Ashley - Ryan B

Mrs Bromilow - Nicola K

Mr Williams - Layla F

Mrs Kelly - Harry M

Miss Aylott - Emilia H

Mr Twigg - Luke B

Mrs Humber/ Miss McDade - Dylan Q

Mr Watts - Sean C

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

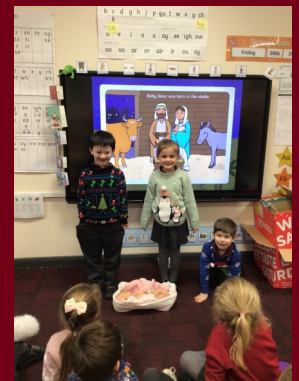
The children have been very busy this week with their Christmas parties and activities, with endless smiles all around.

The school would like to thank Mr Hill for his generous donation towards the academy's festivities. The money was put towards Christmas parties earlier this week.



SANTA WORKSHOP

On Friday, the Reception children had a wonderful time in their Santa workshop with Hi-Impact. They sent some questions over to Santa using the iPads and Santa gave the children a surprise call over Skype to wish them a Merry Christmas and to answer their questions.



PARENT PAY (OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS)

Can all parents/carers please ensure any outstanding balances on ParentPay for dinner money, after school club or breakfast club are cleared before the return to school in January.



THE CHESHIRE EAST WINTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

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.

Places may still be booked by clicking [here](#) and following the link.

SANTA CLAUS VISITED THE CHILDREN!

The children had a very exciting visit this week from someone very special!

Santa Claus made his way through the school and his little elves were busy at work in Mrs Hanson's class before the rush of Christmas! The children were full of excitement after seeing what the elves had been up to.

The children are definitely in the festive spirit and have really enjoyed the last week in school before the Christmas break.



IMOVES ACTIVITIES FOR CHRISTMAS

We know everyone is more than ready for some rest and relaxation – and what better way to do it than spending time with your loved ones.

The good news is imoves has got a couple of things to help keep your children occupied at home during the holidays.

Self-Care Bingo is the perfect way to make the most of that period between Christmas and New Year.

- ◆ [CLICK HERE](#) to download Self-Care Bingo for ages 5-7
- ◆ [CLICK HERE](#) to download Self-Care Bingo for ages 7-11

Self-Care Bingo

Had fun doing some exercise	Went outside	Used a coping skill	Brushed my teeth every day	Put on some nice clothes
Ate healthy food	Tried something new	Was helpful to someone	Drank water everyday	Talked to a friend
Listened to my body	Was kind to someone	Had a bath/shower	Took a break	Said three things I am grateful for
Thought about how I feel	Challenged negative thoughts	Practiced mindfulness	Asked for help	Did a good deed
Gave myself a compliment	Did something fun	Did a hobby	Did some breathing exercises	Had a good laugh

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Self-Care Bingo

Had fun doing some exercise	Went outside	Ate a healthy snack	Brushed my teeth every day	Put on some nice clothes
Ate healthy food	Tried something new	Was helpful to someone	Drank water everyday	Talked to a friend
Thought about how my body feels	Was kind to someone	Had a wash	Took a break	Said three things I am grateful for
Thought about how I feel	Played a game	Ate a piece of fruit	Asked for help	Did a good deed
Gave myself a pat on the back	Did something fun	Did a hobby	Did some breathing exercises	Had a good laugh

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JAR OF HAPPINESS

The Jar of Happiness is a great activity to do before we welcome in the New Year. Please see attached poster and link for details.

[CLICK HERE](#) to download our Jar of Happiness activity

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Jar of Happiness Activity

1. At home, get a jar or a box or whatever you can find.
2. Decorate it however you want.
3. When something makes you happy, write it down and put it in your jar.
4. Have a look at all the lovely things that have happened to you at the end of the year to remind yourself of happy times.

