



NEWSLETTER

February 2019



MONKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

HALF TERM

School will close on Friday 15th February 2019 at the normal time and re-open on Monday 25th February 2019

Don't forget the last day of term is non-uniform day

RELIEF SMSA

We have a vacancy for a relief SMSA (Dinner time assistant) this will be a zero hours contract to cover sickness etc. if you are interested please collect an application pack from reception these need to be returned by the 28th February 2019

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can you please make sure children have the appropriate school uniform and PE kits on a daily basis, details of our uniform is in your child's planner and on our website page

££ OVERDUE MONEY ££

Can you please make sure all monies are paid on time for dinners, breakfast club, trips and F1 sessions, any payments not received on time will result in sessions, trips or dinners being cancelled until payments have been made

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

If your child is booked onto an after school club but is unable to attend could you please let reception know as soon as possible for safeguarding reasons we need to know if your child is not attending

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 7th March 2019, children and staff to come dressed as a character from a book of their choice

RED NOSE DAY 2019

Friday 15th March, once again we will be raising money for Red Nose Day, children and staff to come dressed in anything Red, we will have donation buckets in classes and on reception

PE KITS AND PLANNERS

Please make sure your child brings their planners to school on a daily basis and PE kits when needed children will lose Dojo points if they fail to do this

WATER BOTTLES

Please make sure your child brings their water bottle to school every day



ROAD SAFETY

As I am sure you are all aware we have had lots of issues with parking around school and we have tried our best to ensure parents park safely when dropping off and collecting children. We have also been in touch with Rotherham Borough Council about the possibility of a crossing patrol they are to complete checks to see if this is a possibility. We have been in touch with RMBC parking patrol who have been and will continue to patrol the area

Please take care and park safely at all times

MOBILE PHONES

Can we please remind you that we do not encourage children to bring mobile phones into school but if they need them to be able to contact parents after school please make sure they are handed into reception during the school day.

Please note school cannot accept any responsibility for any phones which are lost or damaged

HOLIDAYS TAKEN DURING TERM TIME

We would prefer if you were honest and complete a leave of absence form. We are aware of some instances where illness has been used as a reason when children are actually on holiday. This could become a safeguarding issue. You can pick up leave of absence forms from the school reception, please see your child's planner for further information

All school holiday dates are on our website or RMBC website please do not use any other sites for the dates

100% ATTENDANCE



Congratulations to all the children who achieved 100% attendance from September to December 2019

LOST PROPERTY

We have LOTS of unclaimed lost property! Please check in reception for any lost property can you also please ensure all clothing is labelled with your child's full name.

DINNER MONEY INCREASE

Quick reminder that with effect from 24th February 2019 the cost of school meals will rise from £2.08 to £2.18 per day a total of £10.90 per week.

FLU JABS

On behalf of IntraHealth we would like to thank you for your support in this year's flu season. Intrahealth have asked if parents/carers would complete a survey which will provide them with invaluable feedback, the survey can be accessed at the following <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Q853WBV>

School Website address:
<https://monkwoodprimary.org/>

MY ED APP LAUNCH

(REPLACING THE CURRENT TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE)

In the next few weeks we will be launching a new way to contact you which will be via the MY Ed App (See attached poster). In the first instance we need to get all parents to sign up to the app before it can go live and we can start to use it, we are therefore asking you to download the app and sign up as soon as possible. Once we have the vast majority of parents and carers signed up we will be able to start using the new app, the app will give you more information regarding your child, the chance to complete forms on line and the ability to reply to messages.

We need as many parents/carers if not all signed up to the app to enable us to start to use this and ask if you can download as soon as possible, we will keep you informed of the progress over the next few weeks. In the mean time we will continue with our old text messaging service.

If you have any problems/issues with any of the above please do not hesitate to contact the school office.