



# MONKSMEAD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March News 2018

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## Dear Parents

This is my final message to you all as Headteacher of Monksmead.

What a privilege it has been to be part of this school for the last 5 years and have had the opportunity to watch your children develop and grow. There are many successes to celebrate but it is the smiles of the children and the happiness in our school which is so special to me.

Thank you for all your support over the years and I am confident the school will continue to go from strength to strength with the amazing staff team we have here at Monksmead. We are so lucky to have such dedicated and hard working members of staff who always put the children first in all they do—special thanks to them for making my job easier!

This is not quite the last you will see of me as I will be returning to Monksmead for KS2 SATs week and Year 6 leavers presentation so please come and say 'hello'.

I look forward to hearing about the amazing things our children are achieving in the future, I have high hopes for them all.

Wishing you every happiness and remember 'endings are just new beginnings waiting to happen.'

**All the very best**

*Mrs E. Isley*

## Celebrating 60 Years



## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

This month the following children have received a Head teacher award. Well done to you all!

	2nd March			9th March			29th March					
Year 1	Chandni		Deborah		Billy-Joe		Ella		Tudor		Sienna	
Year 2	Amelia		Rudina	David	Harry		Noah		Edy	David	Jason	Riley
Year 3	Dillon		Isla		Kayla		Liam		Rivera		Mikey	
Year 4	Jack		Dhyana		Leo		James		Kyle		Caitlin	
Year 5	Toluwani	Danielle	Mohamad	Jahnvarni	Eve	Akshadha		Joshua		The whole class		
Year 6	Liam B		Maksie		Hayden		Jamie		At PGL		At PGL	
The park with the most merits this week	Aberford				Meadow				Ripon			

### NURSERY

Sethlina  
Matthias  
Frankie  
Zahir

### RECEPTION

Joshua  
Lucas  
Nicholas  
Anna

## FOUNDATION STAGE HEADTEACHER'S STARS



### WE SAY GOOD-BYE TO MRS ELSLEY

We hope Mrs Elsley brings as much happiness and success in her new school as she has here. We will miss her greatly, but Donny the squirrel is staying and he will be a constant happy reminder of Mrs Elsley's time with us.

### WORLD BOOK DAY

The children came to school dressed in their favourite book character and even the staff took part too!





# APRIL UPDATE



First day back to school

8.55am start

Tuesday 17th April

Acorns & Little Oaks

Thursday 19th April

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

**From April school lunches will be increased to £2.40 per day.**



## Swimming

Don't forget your towel, goggles  
and swim wear

Year 2– Starts Tuesday 17th April

Year 1 – Start Wednesday 18th April

**Thursday 26th April**

**Year 3 Assembly**

**Isle of Wight Meeting**

**Thursday 19th April**

**At 3:30pm**

**Year 4 Classroom**



A meeting to ask questions or to discuss any concerns that you may have prior to the Isle of Wight trip with Mrs Kelly.

## Clubs Restarting in Summer Term

Athletics Club	Years 4 & 5	Wednesday 25th April
Netball Club	Year 6	Thursday 26th April
Cricket Club	Years 5 & 6	Tuesday 1st May
Homework Club	Years 3,4,5 & 6	Wednesday 2nd May
Choir Club	KS1 & KS2	Tuesday 24th April
Recorder Club	Ongoing Children	Thursday 26th April

## Interim Head Teacher/Deputy

Miss Phillips and Mr Pallant will be in school in the Summer term. Please catch them on the door or make an appointment if you prefer to meet with them.



## Y3/4 Talent Show

This week Years 3 and 4 showcased their impressive singing, dancing, gymnastic, kick boxing, karate and musical skills as they performed in this year's entertaining talent show. From their fantastically made up group routines to their beautiful whole group singing, it was clear to see how both the children and all those watching thoroughly enjoyed the show. Well done to Year 3 & 4!

# SPORTS NEWS



## Boys & Girls Football Results



**Boys Y5/6 Woodlands 3 v 4 Monksmead**  
Man of the match - Praveen

**Girls Football Monksmead 2 v 0 Summerswood**  
Girl of the game - Dakota

**Boys Y4/5 Monksmead 3 v 8 Summerswood**  
Man of the match - Charlie

**Boys Y5/6 Monksmead 0 v 2 Cowley Hill**  
Man of the match - Emmanuel

**Boys Y5/6 Summerswood 2 v 1 Monksmead**  
Man of the match - Jamie

**Girls Football Clore Shalom 4 v 1 Monksmead**  
Girl of the game - Janelle

**Boys Y4/5 St Nicholas 7 v 2 Monksmead**  
Man of the match - Ryan

**Girls Football Monksmead 1 v 0 Cowley Hill**  
Girl of the game - Maksie

### Netball Match

**Monksmead 15 v 4 Clore Shalom**



## FOM Easter Raffle

**Thank you so much for your Easter Egg donations for the Easter raffle.**

**The total raised £135  
Well done!**

**Friends continue to raise funds towards new playground equipment on KS1.**

April

- 18 **Girls Football Parkside v Monksmead (AWAY)**  
K.O at 3.30pm approx
- 19 **Girls Football Tournament at Monksmead School**  
1:30 - 3:30pm ( Parents are welcome to come and watch after 3:15pm only)
- 24 **Boys Y5/6 Football St Teresa's V Monksmead (AWAY) K.O at 3.30pm approx**
- 26 **Netball at Monksmead Scschool v Clore Shalom**  
2 games being played 3:30-4:30pm approx



### Swimming Gala

Pupils of Year 5 & 6 took part in the swimming gala at The Venue. A big well done to all who participated, we managed to come third over all.

Year 6 returns from PGL



Year 6 return from their PGL trip to Caythorpe. We welcome you back and hope that you have had a fantastic time taking part in all the fun activities.

## Safety and Parking Issues

We would like to remind parents that on a numerous occasions, cars are still being parked across peoples drives that live opposite the school. Please be mindful when parking near the school and not to prevent residence getting in and out their drive.

Also please can parents keep a close eye on their children near the school gates. It is a very busy road and the school gates are continuously being accessed throughout the day. If your child rides a scooter please ensure that they do not ride the scooter unsupervised, especially near the school gates.

Thank you for your co-operation

**ROAD  
CLOSED**

**Road Closure  
Hillside Avenue  
On April 5th April**