

Autumn Term Newsletter 2025

STAFFING

- Mrs Ruffles –Teacher-in-Charge
- Mrs Spargo – H.L.T.A
- Mrs Broderick – T.A
- Mrs Hoque – T.A
- Miss Catley – T.A (Apprentice)

COMMUNICATION

Please check the nursery notice board / school website which are updated regularly with news and other information.

CLASS DOJO

We encourage everyone to join. If you need to speak to nursery staff, please make an appointment via Dojo.

WOW NEWS!



Please use the WOW Certificates to share with us any news from home. We love to celebrate the children's home achievements.

HEALTHY NURSERY

As we are a Healthy Nursery, please do not send in cakes, biscuits or sweets for birthdays or other occasions. No sweets or chocolate to be included in packed lunches. Thank you.



HAIR & HYGIENE

Please could we remind you that all children with long hair must have their **hair tied up** in Nursery.

Although we have just begun a new school year, it is important to remember to regularly check your child's hair for head lice.

Head lice treatment is available free-of-charge from many local Pharmacies.

WELCOME BACK

We hope you have all had a lovely Summer break and are ready to start the new school year. We aim to have a fun-packed year with lots of activities planned, so your child will be having lots of fun in nursery as well as learning.

We hope to have your continued support throughout the year and we are always here if you have any problems or queries.

STARTING AND LEAVING NURSERY

Start of Nursery session (8.30am and 12.40pm):

Nursery staff will come outside to the playground to meet the children and take them inside to hang up coats etc. Parents/carers will remain outside.

End of Nursery session (11.30am and 3.40pm)

Children will be dismissed from the playground by Nursery staff. All children will be handed to parents/carers outside of Nursery.

OUTDOOR CLOTHING

Please can you provide a pair of wellington boots with your child's name in to be kept at Nursery.



We have suitable waterproof clothing for the children to wear, in addition to their boots.

We use the outdoor area in all weathers and it is important that the children are dressed appropriately.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Please drive slowly and park safely on the nursery grounds. **Do not** park on footpaths leading to the nursery entrance.

Children and adults must not ride Bicycles/Scooters on the nursery grounds.

Please hold your child's hand whilst on the nursery grounds. Children **must not** run around the car park or on the ramp leading up to the entrance.

Vaping/smoking **is not allowed** on the nursery grounds.

NO DOGS are allowed to walk / be carried onto the nursery site (apart from guide dogs) and **must not** be tied to the gates / railings.

The visitor toilet **is not** in use to parents or family members.

DATES FOR DIARIES

PUPIL PROGRESS MEETING FOR PARENTS / CARERS

- **Monday 20th October** (4.00pm – 6.00pm)
- **Tuesday 21st October** (4.00pm – 6.00pm)
- **Wednesday 22nd October** (4.00pm – 6.00pm)

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

CHILDREN IN NEED – Friday 14th November – ‘SPOTACULAR’

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – Thursday 11th December

CHRISTMAS PARTY – Wednesday 17th December

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

- School **closes** on **Friday 19th December** for the Christmas Holidays and **re-opens** to pupils on **Monday 5th January**.

(Further details to follow closer to actual dates)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Monkton Infants School Academic Year 2025/26

	AUGUST 2025	SEPTEMBER 2025	OCTOBER 2025	NOVEMBER 2025	DECEMBER 2025	JANUARY 2026
Monday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25 31	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Sunday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25

	FEBRUARY 2026	MARCH 2026	APRIL 2026	MAY 2026	JUNE 2026	JULY 2026
Monday	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Wednesday	4 11 18 25	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Thursday	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Friday	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Saturday	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Sunday	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26

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School Holidays
Staff Inservice Days
Bank Holidays

Important: Nursery Attendance Monitoring Procedures

As you may know, pupil attendance is rigorously monitored within school and by the Local Authority's Attendance Monitoring Officer. However, as a result of recent Ofsted Inspections, we monitor pupil attendance and punctuality more stringently.

Poor attendance and punctuality have a negative impact on children's educational progress so it is important that we all work together to help raise attendance levels. Of course, we do understand that children do become poorly from time to time so if your child does become ill, please ensure they have the required time off school.

Attendance

- **If your child is absent from Nursery, you must contact Mrs Ruffles via 'Class Dojo', at least 10 minutes before the start of the session.**
- If no contact has been made for more than 3 days then nursery staff will contact home to find out the reason for the absence.
- Where no reason is provided within a 2 week period after returning to school; the absence will remain unauthorised.
- Attendance will be monitored by nursery staff and any concerns will be reported to the Headteacher for possible further action.
- **If your child is absent due to a medical appointment, evidence must be provided otherwise the absence will remain unauthorised.**
- If you are taking a Holiday (Leave of Absence) during term time, please see the Nursery staff for a Leave of Absence request form.

Punctuality

- **The nursery day starts at 8.30am for morning session and 12.40pm for afternoon session.**
- Pupils should arrive at nursery before the start of their session to allow for a prompt start to the day.
- Poor punctuality will be monitored by nursery staff.
- Pupils who arrive at nursery 10 minutes after the start of the session will be marked as 'late during registration'.