

Monymusk Primary School

Newsletter



February 2022

- **World Book Day** – Thursday 3rd March 2022. Exciting news...the whole school is busy preparing for the next few days ahead! Not only are we looking forward to dressing up as our favourite book characters and being creative in our learning, but we will be able to showcase our efforts when the Press and Journal newspaper comes to visit us along with a film crew!
- **Reading in unusual places!** – Please remember to send in your photos for our display if you haven't already done so.
- **P3/4 teacher** – We will welcome Miss Megan Kilmurry to our school when she starts as our new P3/4 teacher on Monday 7th March. We hope she will enjoy Monymusk School.
- **Glee Schools Challenge** Some of you will remember that we took part in the Glee Schools Challenge two years ago and Mrs Veitch has just started preparing to do so again this year. This is Scotland's largest inclusive schools choir initiative. Each year the Challenge engages with thousands of primary school children creating opportunities and benefits for school communities across Scotland.

If your child is interested in participating, the following links will give you some information and details of the two songs we will be performing. Please practise these songs at home as much as you can.

<https://youtu.be/HqjYoUbmAPs>

<https://youtu.be/P0fk7uSPZ9Q>

Daily Mile – All our pupils have entered into the spirit of taking part in our Daily Mile at 9.00am every day. Well done to our P5/6/7 class for making PowerPoint presentations for our younger children to explain the benefits of the Daily Mile and how it can prepare us for the school day ahead.

- **Pupil absence** – Please note that should a child be absent from school due to illness, it is our policy not to provide work for the child to complete at home. Pupils who are absent should use this time to recuperate. However, in the instance of pupils being absent due to isolating at home following a household member testing positive for Covid, we can provide some activities for the children to complete. These will mostly be reinforcing the learning which has taken place at school.
- **Positive Relationship Policy** – Over the last few weeks, staff and pupils have been working together to create ‘Monymusk Matters’ – Our Positive Relationship Policy. Through using the self-evaluation tool ‘How Good Is Our School’? we have all decided what this should look like and how the actions should be carried out. Having a consistent approach which runs through the whole of our school community will ensure that we all have the same values and expectations of everyone. Our policy is still in draft form, however we will be sending a copy home via email for you to look over in the next couple of weeks. We would welcome your comments.
- **Indoor Shoes** – A gentle reminder that all children should have a pair of indoor shoes to change into when they come into school. Many thanks 😊
- **Adverse weather** – As we are still in the winter season, please ensure that your children come to school with suitable clothing for the conditions. All pupils should have a jacket with them every day.
- **Milk bottles** – P1/2 still need as many empty plastic milk bottles (with lids) as possible for their ongoing project – all will be revealed upon completion! Look out for the photos soon!

As always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Have a good weekend everyone 😊

Kind regards,

Mrs Jill Moir HT

Dates for your Diary - Session 2021 - 2022

Tuesday 1 st March 2022	P3,4 Bikeability week 2 of 6
Thursday 3 rd March 2022	World Book Day, visit from Press & Journal
Tuesday 8 th March 2022	P3,4 Bikeability week 3 of 6
Thursday 10 th March 2022	P7 Transition visit from Alford Academy staff
Tuesday 15 th March 2022	P3,4 Bikeability week 4 of 6
Tuesday 22 nd March 2022	P3,4 Bikeability week 5 of 6
Tuesday 29 th March 2022	P3,4 Bikeability final session
Friday 1 st April 2022	School closes
Monday 18 th April 2022	School opens
Thursday 2 nd June and Friday 3 rd June 2022	Holidays (Queen’s Platinum Jubilee)
Monday 6 th June 2022	Holiday (Occasional Day)
Friday 1 st July 2022	School closes