

Boughton Monchelsea Primary

Newsletter

Friday 18th June

Delay to Lifting of Lockdown Restrictions

As I'm sure you're aware, lockdown restrictions will not be lifted until Monday 19th July at the earliest, rather than 21st June as hoped. This decision has some implications for events that we had planned at school, where we were hoping to invite parents in.

Sports Day

Unfortunately we will be unable to invite parents/ carers to next Tuesday's Sports Day (22nd June). However, we will still hold Infant Sports at the school in the morning and Junior Sports on the Recreation Ground in the afternoon as planned. We will have separate Infant and Junior picnics on the school field, and Caterlink will provide a takeaway lunch for pupils who order a school dinner. All pupils may come to school dressed in their PE kit on Sports Day. Please can you ensure that your child is wearing the correct kit, of white T-shirt (plain or school logo) and navy shorts/sweat pants. Children will need a named water bottle and cap if it is sunny. Pupils in Key Stage 2 (Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6) will need to be collected from the Recreation Ground at 3.00pm. (Pupils in Class R, 1 & 2 will be collected from the school at their normal pick-up time). In case of bad weather, Sports Day will be postponed to Thursday 24th June. Please contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Year 6 Leavers' Play

Year 6 will be presenting "Porridge!" on 5th and 6th July to the other classes, with appropriate social distancing in place. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents to view the performance in person but we will be filming the show and making it available to Year 6 families.

Leavers' Assembly

As our Leavers' Assembly will take place on 21st July, when restrictions should be lifted, we are hoping to be able to invite Year 6 parents to attend.

Pupils of the Week

Well done to this week's Pupils of the Week. Their certificates and golden ties have been awarded in class assemblies today.

Class R	Malachi O'B.	For writing an excellent Wanted poster
Class 1	Lillea H.	For following instructions well during our Sports Day practice
Class 2	Emily J.	For really great effort in all her learning this week
Class 3	Effie C.	For making great progress with her backstroke in swimming
Class 4	Freya S.	For careful thinking and determination in Maths
Class 5	Owen C.	For always trying his best
Class 6	Kaan M.	For making a good effort with his work

Kent Learning Zone

Thank you for your patience while our IT systems have been limited. We still cannot distribute bulk emails and do not have access to our electronic calendar or historic emails. We are continuing to use Google Classroom and Tapestry to send out newsletters and general information. Parent Council reps will alert class WhatsApp groups when new information from the school is released.

Vision Meeting

Our Vision Meeting will take place via Zoom on Wednesday 7th July at 3.30pm. This is a valuable opportunity for staff, governors and parents to discuss ideas and suggestions for developing our school over the next academic year and we are very grateful for your input. We look forward to seeing you there. [2021 Vision Meeting Zoom Link](#)

Library Update and IT Equipment

We are very excited that our plans to redevelop our library are on track and we are still aiming for completion by September. We now have the exciting job of ordering £10,000 worth of new books to stock the shelves. We have also ordered 45 new Chromebooks to add to our existing stock of 45, to allow KS1, Lower KS2 and Upper KS2 to have a full set of 30 devices between two classes. Latest designs for the development can be seen at the end of this newsletter.

Fidget Toys

We have noticed that more and more children are bringing in toys such as fidget pops, spinners and cubes. These devices can be very helpful for children with ADHD tendencies or other additional needs and are often recommended by external professionals or school staff. In these cases, we will provide the device or agree with parents for children to bring in their own. All other children are not permitted to bring in toys to fiddle with in class, as these can be distracting in lesson time. Thank you for your support in this matter.

50 Things to Do Before You're 11 ¾

In assemblies this term, we are focusing on the Great Outdoors. Children will learn about how being active outdoors is good for our mental and physical health, how to be safe around roads and water and why it is important to care for our environment. The National Trust have produced this list which families can use for outdoor inspiration. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/50-things-to-do-before-youre-11-activity-list>. How many can you tick off?

For more ideas for activities with a nature connection, visit <https://www.kentwildlifetrust.org.uk/>

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend!

R. Roberts

Key dates for term 6

Tues 22 nd June	Sports Day (YR – Y2 am; Y3 – Y6 pm) (Reserve - Thurs 24 th June)
Tues 6 th July	Y6 Production
Wed 7 th July 3.30pm	Vision Meeting
Sun 11 th – Wed 14 th July	Y6 to Hilltop Outdoor Centre, Norfolk
Wed 21 st July 9.30am	Y6 Leavers' Assembly



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