

# Newsletter 32

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## 30 Days Wild challenge

Welcome back to the second half of the Summer term, we hope you had an enjoyable break. We began this week by exploring our 'wilder' side in a whole school assembly to introduce the '30 Days Wild' challenge in conjunction with The Wildlife Trust. We decided that we'd like to spend more time noticing, appreciating and looking after nature and natural environments that are around us and have dedicated the month of June to doing just that.



These may be in a garden, at the park or school field, or may be on our journey both to and from school. The challenge is to complete a 'random act of wildness' for each day of the month. Children will be completing class and school displays to show what they have done to support the natural world. Activities may include a litter pick, drawing a nature map en route to school, taking a photo of building a bug hotel, or spotting all of the colours of the rainbow in the outdoor environment. We are excited to hear about the children's contributions and look forward to sharing them with others who are part of our school.

## Word of the Week

Since we have been thinking about all things wild, this week our word is below. Please explore with your child what this may mean to them.

**Nature**

## Healthy Eating snack stall—Enterprise house team

To continue to promote healthy eating and healthy snack choices, we will be running a healthy snacks stall once a half term. Next week (Monday 10th June-Friday 14th June), children that are part of Enterprise house team have the opportunity to make and bring into school a healthy snack to sell on the stall.

All snacks must be fresh, healthy and include forms of fruit and vegetable. We kindly ask snacks not to include; processed food, refined sugar or nuts. However, ingredients such as; honey, cocoa powder, vanilla extract and dairy are allowed. To ensure that children with allergies do not buy and eat snacks that may cause a reaction, we ask you to kindly list the ingredients used and include this list on the lid or inside your container.

Possible snacks could include:

- Fruit kebabs, Fruit Smoothies, vegetable crudité's, breadsticks, Fruity flapjacks

We suggest providing no more than 10 individual snacks. Each snack will be priced [at 20p](#). The money raised by the healthy snacks stall will be used to enhance the opportunities on offer to the children to take part in preparing healthy food dishes. The stall will run after school each day [from 3.15pm-3.45pm](#) on the KS1 playground. We look forward to seeing and tasting a variety of healthy snacks!

## Plastic bottle donations

In preparation for our Science STEM week, which takes place in school from 17th—21st June, we would like to receive donations of clean, empty plastic bottles for a project we will be completing with the children based around science inquiry.

Please send in any donations to the school office in a carrier bag—bottles of any size would be fabulous!

## Money Week



We are pleased to tell you that next week the children at Monkfield Park will be becoming entrepreneurs as part of their learning during Money Week, which is taking place in school from 10th—14th June. Each class will be given a £10 loan as a starting point and asked to 'grow' their budget through careful financial planning. We are looking forward to seeing how enterprising the children can be. Alongside this, the children will be taking part in activities such as treasure hunts involving real money, shop role plays, writing business plans and solving profit and loss problems, as well as utilising local business support in their learning. Hopefully we will have lots of exciting events to report in the newsletter next week to show you what the children have managed to achieve.

### Sentence Starters

- Ask your Reception child what they saw and found on their minibeast hunt.
- Ask your Year 1 child what a plant needs to grow.
- Ask your Year 2 child to tell you an interesting fact they've remembered about a sea creature.
- Ask your Year 3 child to identify three different types of angles and explain what they are.
- Ask your Year 4 child how to prepare for a race.
- Ask your Year 5 child what makes an effective story opener.
- Ask your Year 6 child to give their own definition of 'beauty'.

## Headteacher Roll of Honour

Stamatina in Blue Class—We have seen such confidence in Stamatina this week! She has been telling us more and more about her achievements, which has been an extremely positive move forward.

Beth in Columba Class—Beth has contributed some fantastic ideas to our 30 day Wild Challenge in school already and it has been a pleasure to hear about her plans for conservation.

### Staff news

For those of you who know Mrs Birkert from the office, we would like to inform you that she has taken the decision to resign from her post. We wish her well for the future.

### FORTHCOMING DATES

- w/c 10th June—Enterprise tuck shop
- w/c 10th June—Year 1 phonic screening checks
- w/c 17th June—Science week (STEM focus)
- 18th June—Year 5 Careers convention
- 19th June at 9.30am—Key Stage 2 Sports Day
- 20th June at 9.30am—Reserve Key Stage 2 Sports Day
- 21st June at 9am—Aquila Class assembly
- 25th June at 9.30am—Reception & KS1 Sports Day
- 27th June at 9.30am—Reserve Reception & KS1 Sports Day
- 3rd July at 9.15am—Reception to Year 1 transition meeting for Reception parents
- 4th July—Non uniform day in aid of Friends
- 4th and 5th July—Year 6 transition days
- 9th July—at 2pm—Year 6 performance
- 10th July at 6pm—Year 6 performance
- 11th July—Year 4 team building day
- 12th July—Reports sent home
- 15th July 3.45-5.00pm—Reports drop in
- 22nd July at 10am—Year 6 Leaver's assembly
- 23rd July—LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM FOR CHILDREN
- 24th July—INSET DAY (school closed to children)