



SCHOOL NEWS

6TH MARCH 2026

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

What a truly wonderful day we had celebrating World Book Day in school! It was a joy to see the children arrive in such fantastic costumes, with staff joining in the fun too. The creativity on display was simply brilliant, and nowhere was this more evident than in the wooden spoon competition. Who knew a simple wooden spoon could be transformed in so many imaginative ways? From favourite book characters to inventive designs, the entries were full of originality and brought many smiles throughout the day.

Our celebrations began with a whole-school collective worship. Teachers shared clues from a mystery book wrapped up in the hall, sparking plenty of curiosity and excitement as the children tried to guess the story. Once the book was revealed, the children had the opportunity to choose which teacher they would like to listen to and enjoy the story together.

One of the most special moments of the day was our Drop & Read session, where older and younger pupils were paired up to share a book. It was wonderful to see the children reading together, supporting one another and enjoying stories side by side. The session was such a success that many children have already asked if we can make it a regular part of school life!

The day concluded with many parents joining us to share reading time with their children. It was lovely to see families enjoying books together and celebrating the joy that reading can bring.

A huge thank you to all the staff who helped make the day so special, and particularly to our English Lead, Miss Field, for truly "going all in" to champion reading across the school.

We hope this special day sparks an even greater love of reading in our children—encouraging them to pick up new books, visit the local library, and explore stories they may not have chosen before. Reading has the power to open minds, spark imagination, and take us to wonderful places.

Mrs Otway

THE MONKSMOOR WAY AWARDS

This week, we proudly celebrated another group of Monksmoor Way Award winners. These awards recognise children who continually live out our school values through their learning, behaviour, and the way they treat others.

- Reception - Victoria
- Year 1 - Emily
- Year 2 - Olivia H
- Year 3 - Thirlok
- Year 5 - Zahara
- Year 6 - Indigo



SAFEGUARDING

We would like to remind families that, in line with West Northamptonshire Council guidance, holidays should not be taken during term time. Regular attendance is vital for children's learning, well-being and progress, and absences can have a significant impact on their education. Leave of absence during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances, and requests must be submitted in advance.



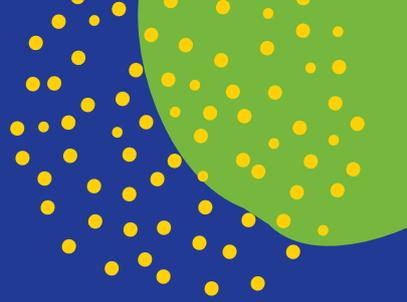
UP COMING EVENTS

NEXT WEEK...

12th March - The Big Sing (KS2 Choir)

COMING UP...

18th & 19th March - Parents Evening




Monksmoor Park PTA Wants YOU!

...yes, **YOU** – the brilliant grown-up reading this!

Drop-In Coffee Morning
Friday 20th March 2026
 From 8:40am • School Hall

Come for the coffee... Stay for the chat...
 Leave feeling like a PTA superhero (cape optional).

Meet our lovely PTA **Chair**, find out what we actually do, and see how you can join our friendly team. There are **no requirements, no pressure, and no minimum time commitment**. Give a little or give a lot – it all helps.

- ♥ Every penny raised goes straight back to the **children**
- ♥ We fund events, experiences, and magical moments across the school
- ♥ You'll be part of something that genuinely makes a **difference**

Come along, **say hello**, and see what we're all about!

We promise good vibes, warm drinks, and zero judgement if you arrive clutching a pastry.



MESSAGES AND NEWS

OFF TO THE MOVIES



We are working with the PTA to organise a whole-school cinema trip to watch *The Magic Faraway Tree*. This links to our Year of Reading and helps bring stories to life, supporting children's imagination, language and understanding of storytelling. Our Year 2 pupils loved studying the book earlier this year, and we hope the whole school will enjoy experiencing its magic on the big screen. The date is still to be confirmed, but we hope it will take place shortly after the Easter holidays. Thank you to the PTA for supporting this exciting opportunity for our pupils.



Spring Term



Monday	Running Club (KS2)
Tuesday	Knitting Club (KS2) History Club (KS2) Craft Club (Yr1-2)
Thursday	Choir (YrR-6) Chess Club (KS2) Read then Bead Club (Yr2-4)
Friday	SuperStar Sport Club - Football

Please note all staff-led clubs finish promptly at 16:15pm and run from/to:
 Week commencing: 12.01.2026
 Week ending: 20.03.2026



REMINDERS



We have noticed an increase in forgotten lunchboxes and musical instruments since returning from the February half term. Please check that children have everything they need before leaving for school.

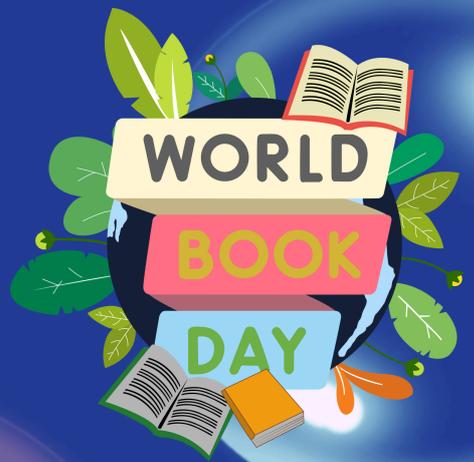
A reminder that dogs are not permitted on school grounds at drop-off or pick-up times.

Thank you for your support.



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Reading Time



Books



ADVENTURE
awaits
BETWEEN
the
Pages

I ♥ READING

