

SCHOOL NEWS

9TH OCTOBER 2026

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

What a week!

Tuesday was photo day and the children represented us **brilliantly**. Our photographer gave some very lovely feedback on how well behaved everyone had been, which was lovely to hear!

On Wednesday, it was great to see some of you at our SEND coffee morning. Hosted by Mrs Bates, these are a really good opportunity to catch up with staff, connect with other families and chat about SEND support or any questions you may have.

Thursday saw us welcome families into school for our first tours of the year. If you, or someone you know, is looking for a Reception place for September 2027, it's not too late to book a space on a tour, but be quick! Spaces are very limited - [see more details here](#).

We finished the week with Year 5 leading our first Collective Worship of the year. They did a grand job! A huge well done to all of the children for their confidence and hard work, and thank you to all who came along to support them. It was fab to see so many of you there!

Another week full of moments that make us incredibly proud to be part of the Monksmoor community. Well done, everyone!

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.

Year 1	Elsie
Year 2	Mabel
Year 3	Jorah
Year 4	Elliot
Year 5	Whole class
Year 6	Darcie

HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS

As part of our special Harvest Festival collective worship on Thursday 15th October, we will be thinking about the importance of kindness, sharing and helping those in our local community.

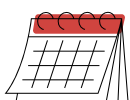
We would be very grateful if families could donate items to support Daventry Food Bank. Any non-perishable food items or essential household products would be greatly appreciated. Even a small donation can make a real difference to local families who may be struggling. You can see Daventry Food Bank's most needed items [here](#).



Please note that the Harvest Festival is a children-only, in school event. Thank you, as always, for your kind support and generosity.



UP COMING EVENTS



14th October - 6pm - Nursery Importance of Talk Workshop [School Hall]

21st October - Welcome Wednesday

22nd October - Together Thursday

10th November - National Child Measuring Programme for Reception & Year 6



YEAR 6 FAMILIES: SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Applications close on **31st October 2026**.

If you have not already done so, please ensure that you apply for a secondary school place for your child and that this is received before the closing date.

A late application will mean that the chance of getting one of your preferred schools is greatly reduced.

[Make your application here.](#)



Autumn Term 2026

Monday	Multi-Sports (KS1) Chess (KS2)
Tuesday	Knitting (KS2) Music & Movement (KS1)
Wednesday	Choir (Y1 - Y6) Coding (Y5 & Y6)
Thursday	Art (Y3 & Y4)
Friday	No clubs

You are welcome to sign up to more than one club if you would like to.
See Arbor for more details.



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MESSAGES AND NEWS

ATTENDANCE REMINDERS



Please remember to complete an absence form in advance for all planned absences, including for children in Nursery.

For any unexpected absence due to illness, please call the school office by 8:30am on the day of absence.

Thank you for helping us keep our attendance records up to date.



LOCAL SUPPORT AND EVENTS

Please follow the link below to find see what's on in your local area:

[West Northamptonshire Stay Connected
Newsletter - October 2026](#)

This is a live document and lots of free and cheap activities and events are advertised.



NEWS FROM THE PTA

SCHOOL DISCO

Thursday 22nd October



Get the date in your diary! Our first school disco of the year is just around the corner, and tickets will be on sale very soon. (If you bought a ticket for the postponed Summer disco, it's still valid!)

PTA MEETING

Thursday 15th October, 6pm

Whether you're keen to get involved or just want to find out more, everyone is welcome! We'd love as many families as possible to join.

HAVE YOUR SAY!



There's still time to share your thoughts in our PTA survey! Tell us what you'd like to see.

[Take part in the survey here.](#)



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SCHOOL DISCO



**THURS
22 OCT**



**PARTY
TIME!**

EYFS & KS1
4.30 - 5.30

KS2
5.45 - 6.45

TICKETS

£3.50

PER CHILD



TICKETS INCLUDE
**A SNACK AND
DRINK!**



TICKETS FROM
THE CANCELLED
SUMMER DISCO
ARE STILL VALID!



This is a PTA event. All children must have a ticket and parental consent.
No refunds for non-attendance.

