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We hope you all had a lovely half term break and we look forward to hearing about what the children did.

This half term we are going to be investigating the autumnal changes in our environment and we will be ending the term with our Christmas activities and celebrations.

The pre-school will close for Christmas at 3.00 pm on Tuesday 19th December 2017 and re-open at 9.00 am on Thursday 4th January 2018.

Our Holiday Club will be open on Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st Friday 22nd December 2016, and Tuesday 2nd January 2017.

We are closed for all sessions on Wednesday 3rd January 2017 for a training day in line with Monkfield Park Primary School.



The Monkfield Park website which has links to the pre-school pages can be found at www.monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk has a translation facility at the top of the page which you can click on to select a language you would like to use to view the website.

We love to hear about your child's achievements outside of the pre-school. We use our 'Magical Moments' slips to share this information. This could be anything from dressing themselves, putting on their own coat before coming to pre-school, writing their name for the first time or gaining a certificate for swimming, dancing etc.

These are then added to their Learning Journeys. Magical Moment slips are available from the entrance hall or ask in your child's base room.



The children who attended the Holiday Club during half term had a busy and fun time.

They started the week on Monday with a 'Rainy Day' activity day where they made 'Funky Foam' bookmarks, rainy sky pictures and did some creative colouring.

On Tuesday it was 'Messy Day', where they explored clay, bubbles, 'gloopy gloop' and toothpaste putty.

Wednesday was 'Creative Arts' day which included making paper flowers, decorative boxes and wall hangings.



'Fun with Food' was Thursday's theme where making slime and fruity fruit gloss caused great excitement.

The week ended with 'Wizard School', where they made wizard hats and cloaks, lotions & potions and origami frogs.



Family Photographs

We are extremely proud of the different cultures, religions and backgrounds represented in our setting.

This half term we are going to be finding out about our families and would like to invite you to send in a photograph of your child with their family to add to our displays in the pre-school rooms.

We would also like you to help us learn more about different festivals by letting us know about those you celebrate and what this involves.



Thank you.



Read, Write Inc. Activity Suggestion

Encourage your child to listen attentively to sounds within their environment.

Talk to them about the different sounds they can hear.

Go on a 'listening walk' together.

Make a list of sounds they can remember (using words or pictures). We would love to see these.

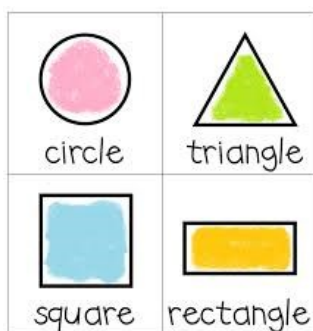


Outdoor Play



Children have the opportunity to play outside every day. Now that the weather has turned colder please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for the time they are outside.

Please name coats, hats, scarves, gloves, wellington boots and any other items clearly.



Ask your child in Room 1.....

- ◆ About the shapes they can see in the environment?
- ◆ To tell you the names of the shapes they have seen?



Ask your child in Room 2.....

- ◆ What's different about their room?
- ◆ What they like about their room?

Wanted!!!



Toy cars and vehicles are very popular in the pre-school.
If you have any unwanted ones at home we would welcome your donations.

Thank you.

