



# Monkeys Wraparound news

THE NEWSLETTER FOR MONKEYS WRAPAROUND AT MONKSPATH SCHOOL

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**HAPPY  
NEW  
YEAR**

January - February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back after what we hope has been a wonderful Christmas for everyone. May we take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very Happy New Year. Within our newsletter we will be highlighting the different themes the children will be learning and also celebrating what has gone well. Everyone in Monkeys is delighted to share this with you and we hope you find it useful. Don't forget if you have any specific questions please do speak to a member of staff at any time.

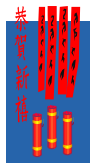
If there is anything we can help you with or you need answers to any queries, please come and see either myself or Miss Penny at the office within Monkspath Family Centre where our Little Chimps nursery is situated any morning, or alternatively email me on [62monkeys@monkspath.solihull.sch.uk](mailto:62monkeys@monkspath.solihull.sch.uk) or call me on: 0121 703 1820.

Please remember to book a weekend to take Henry bear home with you. He loves to visit everyone's homes and do some exciting things with the children. There is a sheet to sign your child's name, on Monkeys door.



Kind regards

Lesley Pinner - Manager



## What is happening this Half Term?



We have a very busy time ahead of us with various celebrations, starting with Chinese New Year closely followed by Valentine's Day. This half term we will be thinking about winter and hopefully have some snow to build a big 'Monkeys' snowman. During the half term we shall also be learning about 'penguins' and learning a dance and lots of songs about penguins and polar bears.

So as you can see, it is going to be a very busy half term!



**Role Play** – Our role play area is going to be a 'Winter Wonderland', with lots of winter clothes, and perhaps an Elsa or Anya and Olaf from Frozen might be in there hiding!



**1 2 3 4 5 Numbers and Counting** – There will be a variety of daily number games and group activities both inside and outside with number rhymes and songs. This will help improve and reinforce the children's counting skills.

**Literacy** - We are going to be reading and looking at a variety of books about Winter and encouraging children to retell the famous Raymond Biggs Snowman story. If your child has any special books they would like to share with their friends they are welcome to bring their books in.



**Hot Dinners** - Parents who choose for their child to have hot dinners, the price per day is £1.90. Please remember, that this cost must be made via Parentpay in the drop down box for 'Hot Dinners'.



**January and February Birthdays** – We have 3 children who will be 4 years old during the month of January; Jenson 2<sup>nd</sup>, Isabella B on the 9<sup>th</sup> and at the end of the month Olivia 28<sup>th</sup>. In February lots of children will be celebrating; Edward 9<sup>th</sup>, Eloise 10<sup>th</sup>, Haralambos 17<sup>th</sup> and Oscar S. 23<sup>rd</sup>. They will all enjoy blowing the candles out on our special birthday cake.



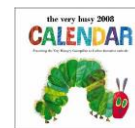
## What has gone well last month?



Wow, what a busy month it has been, we started off practising lots of new Christmas songs and sang these with all our families, it was wonderful to see so many of you joining us.

Our Christmas Party was an exciting and busy one, we joined Little Chimps and Yellow Group and had a fantastic party and even Father Christmas came to see us! We ended off the school term looking very festive as everyone wore their favourite Christmas jumpers or outfits.

## Diary of Events



### February

**Thursday 2nd February – Celebration Day** - The theme of the day is going to be Chinese New Year. More details to follow shortly.

**Friday 3rd February – Event to be confirmed**

**Week beginning 6th February** – Parent's Consultation Days  
More details to follow shortly.

**Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February – Half Term Holiday Club.** Booking forms are now out so please pop into Monkspath Family Centre office or the school office to collect one.



**Monkeys will close on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February and reopen on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016**



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