

Dear Parents and Families

Thank you

Thank you from all the staff for all of your support this year. We look forward to a more usual school year next year.

School will close at the end of today, Tuesday, 20th July.

School will re-open to children on Monday, 6th September.

If you wish to contact the school over the holidays, please email stmonicas@stmonicas.co.uk

Return to normal drop off and pick up times.

At the moment, the plan is to return to normal pick up and drop off procedures from September.

For Reception and Years 1 to 6

Drop off time is from 8.30am with doors opening to children at 8.50am.

Pick up time is at 3.15pm with the gates opening at 3.10pm.

You can come in and out of the front gate (currently Gate 1) and the KS1 playground gate (currently Gate 4). The Reception playground gate (currently Gate 3 will not be open. The one-way system will no longer be in place.

For Nursery

Drop off time is between 8.45am and 9.00am for the morning session.

Pick up time from the morning session is 11.45am.

Drop off time for the afternoon session is 12.30pm.

Pick up time from the afternoon session is 3.30pm.

All drop offs and pick up for Nursery is through the Nursery gate (currently Gate 3)

Good bye and good luck

Good bye to Year 6 and any other families leaving us this Summer – we wish you all the best for the future.

We wish all the best to Mrs Madden, who is retiring after long service to the school.

We also wish all the best to Mr Fulks, who is starting his teaching qualification in the South West of England, Ms Smith, who is moving to teach in France, and Ms Davey who is going to work with secondary aged children.

Milton Keynes Council Summer Activities for Children

Please see the link below for details of MKC provided activities for children for Summer. There is a wide range of activities for all children and lunches are provided in many of them. They are open to all children not just to those in receipt of free school meals.

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/children-young-people-families/holiday-activities-and-food-programme-haf>

The school has been in touch with all children in receipt of free school meals to confirm Summer arrangements. If you have any queries on this, please email stmonicas@st-monicas.co.uk

Oak Academy and school resources

The excellent Oak Academy online teaching resource is open during the Summer. You can choose from a full curriculum in all subjects by age and year group. This was provided by the Government for remote learning during school closedown but I would recommend it to you if you wish your child to do academic work over the Summer.

<https://www.thenational.academy/>

The School online library at MyOn <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/> and the times tables program TT Rock Stars <https://ttrockstars.com/> will also remain open during the holidays.

Term Dates for next academic year

I attach below term dates for next year. Hopefully, these will let you plan ahead. Please be aware that some MK secondary schools may have different holidays to us next year – you may wish to check this in advance for child care.

Any changes of plan?

The COVID pandemic is a situation which is clearly still evolving despite the latterly heralded 'Freedom Day'. The current Government guidance is that things return pretty close to normal from September. This may well change, including at short notice, so please check your emails towards the end of the holidays as I will confirm the arrangements nearer the time.

All the best for the Summer.

Kind regards,

Mr O'Malley

School Term and Holiday Dates: 2021-2022

Advent Term 2021	Pupils return	Monday 6th September
	Half-term	Friday 22nd October
	Pupils return	Monday 1st November
	End of Term	Friday 17th December

Lent Term 2022	Pupils return	Wednesday 5th January
	Half-term	Friday 11th February
	Pupils return	Monday 21st February
	End of term	Friday 1st April

Pentecost Term 2022	Pupils return	Tuesday 19th April
	Half-term	Friday 27th May
	Pupils return	Tuesday 7th June
	End of term	Friday 22nd July

Staff training days:

Thursday 2nd September 2021
Friday 3rd September 2021
Tuesday 4th January 2022
Monday 6th June 2022

In 2022, Easter falls as follows: Good Friday 15th April – Easter Monday 18th April

The school will be closed on Monday 2nd May 2022 for the May Day Bank Holiday.