Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 26th May 2023

As we end the half term, everyone here wishes you a sun-filled and happy half term where hopefully you can spend time with family and friends. It has certainly been a busy half term in school and next half term promises to be busier still! We are still awaiting our Ofsted report but will share it with you as soon as we can. We are blessed to have a dedicated and hardworking staff, fantastic children and supportive parents so thank you all and have a lovely rest.

Marvellous Maths

This week our school took part in National Numeracy Day. Children were invited to come to school in anything mathematical and we had some great ideas from Rubik's cubes and dice to Mrs Kay, our maths lead! Throughout the day the children took part in fun mathematical activities. These included: measuring accurately to make cocktails and Rocky Road to a 'rap off' at the end of the day, which the Y4/5 class won, a whole school live interactive quiz, finance education, number blocks activities for ks1 and print painting with numbers in EYFS.













Diversity Day

The Anti Bullying Ambassadors organised a 'diversity day' yesterday. Children learned about how differences are important. Activities included celebrating diversity posters, artwork, recognising what is special about themselves, designing cultural cafe menus with dishes from around the world, challenging stereotypes and prejudice scenario discussions, learning a diversity song and exploring Islamic art. A fantastic quote from a Y6 child summarises the learning of the day: "It's easier for us to stand together when we understand each other."







Respect for All and 'Take Notice'

Children are all encouraged to be leaders in our school and as part of their ongoing work within school, the Anti Bullying Ambassadors gave the school a challenge to design a 'Respect for All' posters. There were some fabulous entries and the ambassadors found it difficult to choose! Eventually they chose Alfie, Charis and Rose's posters. well done to everyone who entered.

This week children have been invited by the Well Being Warriors to 'take notice' and appreciate the world around them.



Safety Online

It has been brought to our attention that some of our children are playing a game called 'Poppy Playtime' which is a 12+ horror game whose characters have also appeared on Tik Tok and You Tube.

The name of this game sounds innocent which is why parents may feel it is fine.

However please do read this if your child has mentioned this game or the character Huggy Wuggy : Poppy Playtime: Online Safety Review - Safer Schools (oursaferschools.co.uk) PLEASE DO NOT SHARE THIS WITH CHILDREN

If your child hasn't mentioned Huggy Wuggy or Poppy Playtime, don't name it. You may pique their curiosity which in turn could lead to them searching out the content for themselves on platforms they might have access to.

Parking

A huge thank you to the vast majority of parents and carers who drop off and pick up safely outside school. However, again, there are some concerns about the safety of our children. Please could I remind you of the messages from the police:



- There should be NO PARKING on single yellow lines. This is to allow the flow of traffic.
- There should be no parking between the lampposts on the opposite side of the road-this is to ensure the safety of our children when crossing. There is a yellow sign indicating this
- There should be no parking on the hatched area in front of the gate to allow for emergency access
- The layby is a one way system and there should be no turning or reversing into the road

As the weather is warmer please do consider walking when possible or 'park and walk'. Please let us work together for the safety of our children. Thank you.

News from Year 6

In year 6, children have had a few subject themed days. On computing day we programmed microbits to work as pedometers. It was very challenging writing all the code to make them count the steps and provide motivational feedback, but we thoroughly enjoyed the day.

On art day, we completed our sculpture unit of work by creating memory boxes using sculpture techniques. Throughout the unit we looked at a few artists who use sculpture to create their work. We used these ideas in our memory boxes.

We have been very excited to start learning our lines for the KS2 performance next term - you are in for a treat!







Anglo Saxon Day

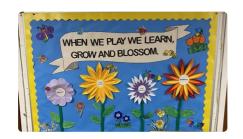
On Wednesday, Years 3, 4 and 5 used what they had learned about Anglo Saxon Settlements to create Anglo Saxon Houses. They imitated the wattle and daub and structure of the houses too. In the afternoon y4/5 made clay pendants using the rune (Anglo-Saxon) alphabet to decorate.





Rising Stars Fun

Children in Rising Stars having lots of fun and games while they play, grow and blossom, during breakfast and after school club.







PTANEWS

Please see below for information about our Summer Fair. If you can help at all, in setting up or running a stall or clearing away afterwards please do let us know. Please tell all of your friends, family and neighbours too.



School Lunch Prices

We have been informed that North Yorkshire have increased the price of a school lunch. Unfortunately, therefore, we have no option but to increase the amount charged. From September 2023 the price of a school lunch will be £3.20

Nursery Open Afternoon

Please pass on the information below to any families with pre-school children. Thank you.



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Kirkby & Great Broughton Nursery

Open Afternoon

Monday 12th June
From 12:30 - 2:30pm

If you have a pre-school child and would like a visit, please call me to book a slot.

Contact Wendy Kelly

07508 840155

Join us at Stokesley Open Gardens and experience the 23 wonderful Gardens that have been opened to the public.

Gardens will be open: Sat 17th June and Sun 18th June. 12.30 pm - 5.30 pm

You'll be welcomed into the heart of Stokesley with refreshments, and the opportunity to experience what each unique garden has to offer over the weekend.

Programmes available from The Yorkshire Store, Bexters Cafe, Grainge Greengrocers, All Teesside Hospice Shops and online at: www.teessidehospice.org.

Friday 21st July 3.15 School closes for pupils



Dates for Diaries

5th- 9th June 2023 Y6 residential
5th June Last date for ordering school uniform for the autumn term
Weds 5th July 1.30 - Sports Day
Thurs 6th July 130 Reserve sports day
Monday 10th July 2pm Key Stage 2 performance
Tuesday 11th July 5.30pm Key Stage 2 performance
Tues 11th July. Reception class to Monk Park Farm
Weds 12-14th July Year 6 Transition to Stokesley School
Weds 12th July am: Children meet their new teacher
Tuesday 18th July 6pm Drama Club perform Wizard of Oz:
Weds 19th July 11am Leavers service in church (all welcome)
Weds 19th July 3.15 Y6 leavers tea for parents:

Safeguarding at KGB

It is the role of all adults in a child's life to keep them safe and all staff in school have regular training in safeguarding and child protection. You can read our safeguarding policies on our website. In our school the designated person for safeguarding is Mrs McCormick (who should be your first point of contact if you have any concerns), and we have two deputy safeguarding leads: Mrs Borwell and Miss Atkinson. We are here to support children and families so please do get in touch if you have any concerns about a child's well-being or would like some support as a family.



Attendance Matters

At Kirkby and Great Broughton School we aim for excellent attendance and it is our legal duty to monitor this. Anyone with less than 90% attendance (this is 18 days in the whole year) is classed as a 'persistent absentee' and may receive a letter (although we know that in some circumstances this is unavoidable and we do take this into account). However please do read the leaflet attached below written by the Swaledale Alliance which the school is part of. This clarifies the impact of low attendance on children's learning and other aspects of attendance such as a parent's legal responsibility.

Please also be aware that Headteachers are not expected to authorise any term time holiday and should only authorise absences under exceptional circumstances (noted on the application form available on the website or via the school office). Please do support us with this.

If you would like a paper copy of this leaflet or if you would like to know your current child's absence please contact the school office.

Attendance Matters Parent Guide - printable.pdf

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