

Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 13th October 2023

As there has not been a newsletter for the last few weeks, this edition is just a snippet of what the children have been getting up to. A big thank you for your love and support.

Harvest Festival

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us in our Harvest Service this week and for shining within our community with your extremely kind donations. As you can imagine the food bank were delighted and very grateful, saying it would help with the ever increasing number of people relying on food banks. A special thank you to Mrs Borwell and the teachers for organising the service.

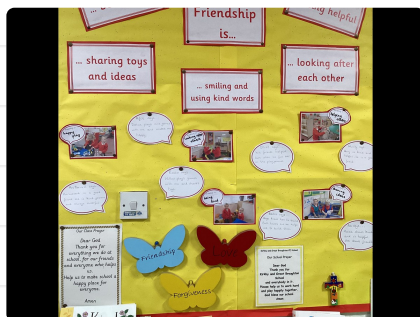


News from around the school

Reception

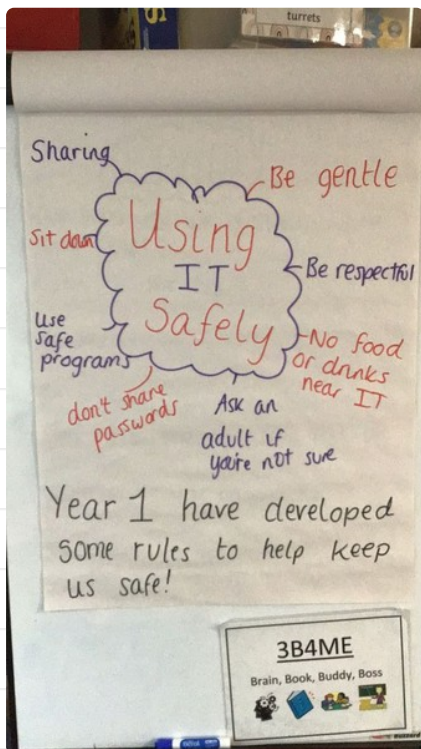
The children in Reception have been busy settling into school, building friendships with classmates and across the wider school community. In class they have talked about what makes a good friend and have put their thoughts into action to create a happy and kind place for everyone.

The children would like to say a big thank you to Mr and Mrs Honeywell who responded to our appeal for a new play garage and very generously donated their family heirloom for the next generation of little ones to enjoy. Thank you, it is a real hit!



We have been very busy learning across our curriculum. From 3D sculptures to online safety we are really enjoying our learning. We also love using our oracy skills to share exciting things with our class.

We have been looking at poetry in Year 2 and finished the unit by entering a competition. All the children wrote an acrostic poem about themselves and I have sent this away to the Young Writers poetry completion. So fingers crossed.



Year 3 and 4

Year 3 were really proud to share their Bible service with the school and their parents. They shared the creation story and they worked hard on their paintings of it. The children were grateful to receive their Bible and share it at home with their families.



Along with the other children in Key Stage 2 , Year 3 and 4 also had the opportunity to try wheelchair basketball. This is all part of the 5 ways to wellbeing and staying active. The children loved trying this new skill and have asked to do it again! Well done everyone for persevering with it.



In science we have been learning about states of matter and we have been conducting some investigations. For one of the investigations we were testing if a substance was soluble or insoluble. It turns out that sand is insoluble and that flour is soluble.

Years 4 and 5

Years 4 and 5 also loved the wheel chair basket ball that was delivered by Brian Russell. The children all had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed it. Artwork is space themed and the children have used printing to create a background and are now using charcoal, pastel and collage to create an image of life in space.





Year 6

In Science Year 6 are looking at the circulatory system and keeping healthy.

These are pictures of them making 'blood' to find out what the components of blood are and what their purposes are. They used coloured water for plasma, red cherrios for red blood cells, mini marshmallows for white blood cells and raisins for platelets.

As you can see, Year 6 also loved the wheelchair rugby.



Seesaw information

Dear Families,

Exciting News!

The Seesaw app is getting a fresh new icon.

On **October 27**, you will see this change.

Don't worry, everything inside the app will stay the same.



OLD ICON



NEW ICON

Seesaw | www.seesaw.com

Cluster Tag Rugby Event

Today a group of our Year 5 and 6 children took part in tag rugby tournament with other schools in our local cluster. A match report will follow.

School Council

Democracy is one of our British Values and this was put into place over the last few weeks with the election of our school councillors. We are delighted to announce that after speeches and a whole school vote Amelia and Jasmine were chosen as our Lead councillors.

Years 2-5 also voted for their representatives and congratulations to Ava, Alex, Nell, Stan, Madison, June, Valentina and Toby who

make up our 2023-24 school council. Part of their role is to look after the wellbeing of our school and this week they led a worship on one of the 5 ways to well-being "Be Active"





Worship Team

Children in Key Stage 2 have also been asked to apply for the position of Worship Team. This will involve taking an active part in collective worship in our school, setting up prayer spaces amongst other things. We were extremely impressed by the fantastic responses from our wonderful children. They talked about doing good things, making the world a better place, shining out, exploring the Bible and worship giving "a happy feeling inside me". After much deliberation it was decided to give the roles initially to Year 5 and 6 but we are excited that there are so many children keen to make such a difference.

Craft Club

Miss Atkinson and Mrs Atkinson have been running a craft club this half term and the children were delighted on Wednesday with their first finished piece of work. Well done everyone.



Governor Vacancies

We have two vacancies on our governing board. One of these is for a parent governor (Please see the letter in the link below). We also have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor who can be any

member of our community (not necessarily a parent) with a Christian Character. Please pass the below information to anyone who you think would want to support our school in this capacity.

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JOIN THE TEAM

Could you be a Foundation Governor?

Could you volunteer to join the Governing Body?
Do you want to serve your community and make a difference?

		
Experience and skills	Christian character	A team player
Could you bring your skills and experiences to complement those of other governors?	Could you help to ensure that the Christian vision and character of the school are upheld?	Can you work with leaders, governors and other stakeholders to ensure that the school thrives?

Your local Church school needs
You!

CONTACT US TO FIND OUT MORE: *Kirkby and Great Broughton School*
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Parent gov letter.pdf

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Keeping our Children Safe

As we have new families at school, can I remind everyone about keeping our children safe. A huge thank you to the vast majority of parents and carers who drop off and pick up safely outside school. . 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
- Please do not park across the crossings or in front of neighbours' drives

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

Dates for Diaries

- **Parent's Meetings** Monday 23rd October
- **Y3-5 trip to York** 18th October 2023
- **Non Uniform Day- tombola prizes welcome** Friday 27th October
- **Parents' Forum** 9am Tuesday 7th November
- **Christingle Service in school** Monday 4th December 2.30 (**children only**)
- **KS1 Christmas Nativity** Tuesday December 12th pm in school
- **Christmas Service at Church** Weds 20th December 11am (**all welcome**)
- **Christmas Parties** Weds 20th KS1 pm Thurs 21st KS2 pm
- **Young Voices Choir trip to Sheffield** February 21st
- **Training Days:** 4th September, 8th January, Friday 22nd December 2023, 8th April 2024
- and Monday 22 July 2024

Attendance Matters

Over the summer all headteachers have received further guidance for promoting attendance. Please see below about information from the NHS regarding illness. Attached also is our 'Attendance Matters' guide for parents which outlines the impact of taking your children out of school. Thank you for your support.



Is my child too ill for school?

Find out when it's best to keep your sick child at home and when it's OK to send them to school or nursery.

[nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk)

Attendance Matters Parent Guide - printable (2).pdf

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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.

We know that returning to school is sometimes an anxious time for children and adults. Please see below for information about some available support

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD
SOLIHULL APPROACH

NHS

**WELCOME
BACK TO
SCHOOL**

**EXCITED, NERVOUS, ANXIOUS?
NOT SURE HOW THEY'RE FEELING?**

EMOTIONAL HEALTH CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE
TO CHILDREN'S PROSPECTS IN SCHOOL AND BEYOND

In North Yorkshire, we believe in supporting children's emotional health development, and that's why we've invested in online courses in understanding your child for parents.

By understanding how your child's brain develops and responds emotionally, you can better support their needs as they navigate the big milestones in school.

- Learn to better read and understand behaviour
- Help them to communicate how they feel
- Gain psychologist-informed ideas to support your child

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AND ENTER THE CODE NYFAMILIES
FOR FREE ACCESS TO THE ONLINE COURSES

Little Brushes

Holiday Art Workshop

Wednesday 1st November
10-12.30pm
at
Lucky's Play Barn, Terry Dicken
Business Park, Stokesley. TS9 7AE

'Autumn is here'

A busy creative morning with nature.
The children will be painting and printing with autumn leaves
and using collage material to make a masterpiece.

If your child loves to be creative and likes to draw, paint, colour,
cut and collage then come to Little Brushes art classes.
The aim is to have a go and more importantly have fun!

Age 5+
£16 per child

Workshops fill up very quickly so please secure your place with payment in
advance.
All materials will be included with a snack and drink at half time. Please wear old
clothes or an apron as it can get quite messy.

contact: Sara Lusvardi 07794689421 or
via Facebook @Littlebrushesartclub



Emma McCormick

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