

Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 15th September 2023

Welcome Back

Welcome to the first newsletter of the year and a huge welcome to our fantastic new reception children who have settled in so beautifully already. What a joy to see them already listening so well and playing so cooperatively with their friends.

There has been so much learning already this term from art using natural materials in Year 6, learning about insulators and conductors in Years 3 to 5 and learning about sculptures and our area in Years 1 and 2.. amongst much more: An exciting year ahead!

A few reminders:

- Please ensure long hair is tied up and shoes are dark school shoes
- Please name all clothing- we are getting quite a collection of lost property already
- A reminder for Key Stage 2 children (Years 3-6) that they are able to come to school in PE kits on PE days. Please ensure there are no fashion/designer or football kits or logos please.
- Children in R, Y1 and 2 with older siblings can arrive at school at 8.45.
- Staff need to lock the doors shortly after start times to enable them to start teaching. Please escort your child to the front entrance if you are running late. Thanks
- To avoid waste and to support ordering, children should stick to one type of meal weekly. For example hot dinners all week OR packed lunches all week.

Thank you for your continued support

On another note...the reception class would love a good quality toy garage for their resources if anyone has one they no longer use?



New Staff

As well as welcoming our new Reception class, we also welcome three new members of staff who have already settled in beautifully! Miss Edwards is the Year 1 class teacher, Ms Ronsano teaches Year 4/5 on a Friday and Miss Hall supports in Y3 and across the school. Welcome to our school family.



Miss Edwards



Ms Ronsano



Miss Hall

Year 2 Fun Run

On Tuesday, Year Two took part in the first cluster sports event of the year. We are working hard with Mr Darcy to re-energise sports competitions with the other schools in the area. Throughout the year the school will be taking part in a range of competitions such as rugby, football, netball, cricket and athletics. The Year 2s did us proud with their excellent attitude and some medals too! Well done everyone.



House Captains

This week house teams voted for their team captains who will lead their houses in celebrations and competitions. Next week the whole school will be voting for our Year 6 School Councillors followed by year groups voting for their representatives on the school council. These children will have an important role within school ensuring children shine like stars in the sky. We will also be setting up a worship group who will support and lead worships.



Rising Stars News

Welcome to all the new children who have joined us in Rising Stars this term.

We have lots of different activities, fun and games for children of all ages to enjoy both before and after school. If you would like your child to join us in Rising Stars we still have places available.

Here is a sample of some of the exciting things the children have been doing this week.





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.

Can you help find Sally's dog?

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS DOG

STILL MISSING

**Missing from lordstones
since 21st August.
Elderly spaniel**



**CALL / TEXT WITH ANY INFORMATION
07824162513**

THE LOSTDOG
TRAPPING TEAM
SEARCH & RESCUE

Dates for Diaries

- **Individual Photos** Monday 25th September
- **Bible Service Y3 in school** Wednesday 4th October 9.15 (Y3 parents welcome)
- **Harvest Festival in church** Wednesday 11th October 11am (all welcome)
- **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
- **Parent's Meetings** Monday 23rd October (information to follow)
- **Young Voices Choir trip to Sheffield** February 20th
- **Training Days:** 4th September, 8th January, 8th April, Friday 22nd December 2023 and Monday 22 July

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](#)

Attendance Matters Parent Guide - printable (2).pdf

[Download](#)

579.6 KB

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

Further information and notices

THE ECO CLOTHES SWAP - What is it all about?

The Churches in our benefice are all registered as an ECO CHURCH which is an award scheme for all churches. Part of the scheme is to demonstrate an interaction with the community, care for the environment and to practise conservation in many forms - hence the "ECO CLOTHES SWAP" which is an initiative from all the local churches: St. Augustine's, St. Hilda's, St. Andrew's and St. Cuthbert's. The idea is to prevent clothing from ending up in landfill.

PLACE : Kirkby Church Hall. DATE : Saturday 16th September

TIME : 10.00 - 12.00. CHARGE : Free to participate

REFRESHMENTS : Will be available for a donation

HOW DOES IT WORK ?

- 1) You can swap up to 5 garments
- 2) Bring clean good condition garments on a hanger clearly marked with the size (men, women or children's)
- 3) You will be given a token for each garment you bring, which you can then exchange for a different garment
- 4) Any garments remaining at the end will be taken to a charity shop (you can claim them back if you don't want this to happen)

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE



Emma McCormick

Emma is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

