

Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 19th January 2024

Happy New Year

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to school. It seems an age ago we had a busy, exciting end of term with Christmas parties, carol concerts and nativities and staff would like to send huge thanks for the gifts and cards received last term. Hopefully over the break you managed to see the fantastic windows in the villages' Advent Trail- especially number 24 which was designed by our amazing Mrs Lusvardi and her Art Club team. Thank you all.

It is lovely to see the children back in school with big smiles ready for a term of exciting learning. This term through worships, children are being encouraged to think deeply about some 'Big Questions' linked to our Christian value. This week they were set the question: "Can Courage Ever Hurt Anyone?" It would be great if you could discuss this at home- of course there is no right or wrong answer- it is more about having a deep thinking discussion.

At school we are all looking forward to our new learning and exciting term ahead and seeing how our children continue to shine.



A Shining Rock Star!

Throughout Key Stage Two at school, children all use Times Table Rock Stars to practise their times tables. The more success they get the higher they can climb in rock star fame! It was fantastic to hear this week that Dollie has risen from 'Unsigned' (more than 10 seconds per question) to 'Rock Hero' (less than 1 second per question) in only 2 weeks! This is due to her immense hard work and we are very proud. Well done Dollie.



Bikeability

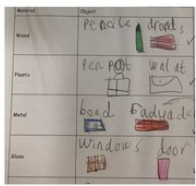
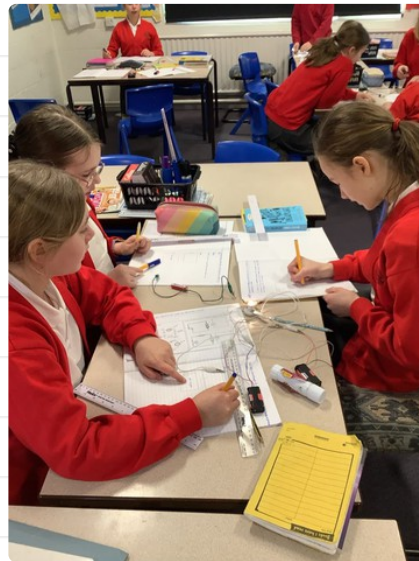
This week, the first group of Y6s braved a VERY cold day to take part in the Bikeability scheme helping them to master basic skills in cycling. They showed courage and determination (despite the cold) and the instructors were impressed with their resilience and concentration. The second group will complete the training next week.



Science in and out of the Classroom

Budding scientists across the school have been using their exploration and investigative skills this week. In Wisdom of the Woods sessions, Year Six have been learning about filtration using natural materials which consolidated last terms learning. In class they have been exploring circuits. Years 3,4 and 5 have been investigating forces and how friction can affect movement.

Last week in Science Year 1 and Year 2 went on a material hunt as an introduction to their new topic. They found lots of materials and discussed their properties and even considered what it would be like if items in the classroom were made of different materials, e.g. Jelly!



Class music lessons

As you are aware, we want children in our school to shine in different ways. Thanks to the Henry Edmund Trust we provided Year 3 with Ukulele lessons last year (which will continue for Year 3 later this year). This term, Year 5 are being taught woodwind. It is a difficult skill to get a sound out of a clarinet but I am pleased to tell you there was no squeaking this week! Well done Year 5.



School Success

This week we received a letter from the Education Department congratulating us on our phonics results last year- we were in the top 1% of all schools nationally. Congratulations to the amazing teachers, children and parents for your support in ensuring the children at Kirby and Great Broughton shine as readers!



Foundation Governor Vacancy at our school

We are still looking for a foundation governor to fill a space on our governing board. Please do share this will anyone local who may be interested in supporting our school to continue to move forwards. Thank you

Creating flourishing Church school communities committed to providing education of the highest quality that is deeply Christian and seeks to serve the common good for their own locality.

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
Could you bring your skills and experiences to complement those of other governors?



Christian character
Could you help to ensure that the Christian vision and character of the school are upheld?



A team player
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
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Parents' Forum

Do join us if you can for this term's Parents' Forum. This will be at 9am on 1st February. This is not the same as parents' meetings- it is a chance to meet with the headteacher and often governors to find out about what is going on in the school and suggest improvements. There is a copy of the Terms of Reference below for your information. It would help greatly if you could complete the

Google Forms below to let us know if you are attending and /or if you have any item that you would like adding to the agenda. Thank you and hope to see you there.

Parents' Forum Feb 24

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)

* Indicates required question

Name *

Your answer

Are you intending to attend the Parents' forum at 9am on 1st February 2024? *

PARENTS FORUM TERMS OF REFERENCE

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Quiz Night

We are delighted to announce the return of our quiz night on the 24th of February!

After the success of last year we have decided to do it again and the great quizmaster Iain will be making a guest appearance!

Tickets will include a delicious supper and a bonus raffle ticket - please follow the link below (or scan the QR code) and purchase your tickets. Please nominate a team leader and let us know whose team you will be on. Maximum of 8 players per team.

We can't wait to see everyone - we had so much fun last year! Please share with friends and family- anyone can attend!

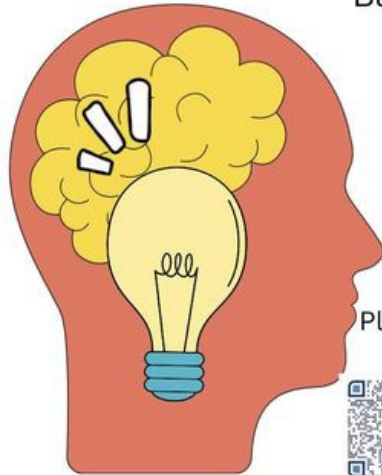
PayPal.me/kandgbpta

Friends of Kirkby and Great
Broughton School will be holding a

Quiz Night!

Doors open at 7pm for
7.30pm start

Bar and Raffle available



TICKETS

£10

Per person

Please scan below QR code for
tickets -



[PayPal.me/kandgbpta](https://www.paypal.com/merchot/?url=https://www.paypal.me/kandgbpta)

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let us know whose team you are on
when booking*

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SATURDAY 24TH OF FEBRUARY

Kirkby Church Hall, TS9 7AQ

Rising Stars

Rising Stars is continuing to provide a before and after school service to those pupils and parents needing it.

To help us to continue providing this service parents are politely reminded of the following:

Breakfast session 07:45 - 09:00

Short afternoon session 15:00 - 16:15 (prompt)

Long afternoon session 15:00 - 18:00 (prompt)

In addition all cancellations must be made at least 48 hours prior or session charges will apply.

Please continue to adhere to these session times and cancellation rules to enable us to continue to provide a fun but quality service.

More details about charges can be found in the Terms and Conditions attached.

Rising Stars Terms and conditions v.1.pdf

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Dates for Diaries

- **Swimming starts for Y3/4** Tuesday 9th January
- **Y6 Bikeability Group 1** Monday 15th January
- **Y6 Bikeability Group 2** Monday 22nd January
- **Parents' Forum (please note change of date)** 9am 1st February in Hall
- **Young Voices Choir trip to Sheffield** February 21st
- **World Book Day** Thursday 7th March
- **Spring Parents Meetings** Monday 18th March
- **Easter Service in Church** Weds 20th March 11am
- **Spring Term Ends** Friday 22 March

Keeping our Children Safe

Event from the Early Help Team

Parents/ carers are invited to attend a training Event on Social Stories, a powerful tool in supporting children on the autistic spectrum.

YES@ Areté Learning Trust is hosting a half-day training event on Social Stories on Friday, 26th January, led by Lynn McCann, the esteemed author of "Stories that Explain," a comprehensive book of Social Stories specifically designed for children.

Lynn McCann's training session will cover a wide range of topics, including the development of self-care skills (e.g., teeth cleaning, handwashing, getting dressed), enhancement of social skills (e.g., sharing, asking for help, expressing gratitude, managing interruptions), and academic abilities. Social stories can also serve as a behavioural strategy, guiding individuals on what to do when angry or how to cope with obsessions.

Booking Deadline: Tuesday, 23rd January. £10 per place (bursary places available). First come first saved! To secure your spot at this valuable training session, please email:

yes@aretelearningtrust.org

PLEASE HELP! As the weather gets colder and wetter, more parents and carers are choosing to drive to school. We continue to be concerned about a minority of people who are not considering the safety of our pupils . Please remember:

- 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. If you have any ideas for how to improve this please do let us know .Thank you.

Attendance Matters

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.

Please be aware that only applications for term time absences that have been AUTHORISED will be formally acknowledged. If you have not received a letter the absence will be marked as unauthorised.



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



HALF TERM KIDS CLUBS

DAY	SCHOOL
Tues 13 th Feb	Hutton Rudby
Wed 14 th Feb	Sessay
Thur 15 th Feb	Roseberry (Gt Ayton)



07966626816 Contact Mark Shimwell

Sports, football, multi-skills, fun, games, dance, crafts, etc

ONLY £15 for 1 child, £25 for two siblings, £35 for three siblings

Bring packed lunch & drinks

Drop off between 9-10am / Collect between 2-3pm

LIMITED SPACES - PLEASE BOOK TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

For boys & girls aged 4-11



Emma McCormick

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