

Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 27th February

Shining in sport across the school

Key Stage 2 Cross Country

On Wednesday, Key Stage 2 had the opportunity to take part in an in-school cross country run. It was a little muddy, but absolutely brilliant fun – and what a fabulous school community we have, with children taking part so enthusiastically!



Year 6 learn 'NFL football'

Today a group of Year 6s were invited to join in an NFL football event. They were great ambassadors for the school and they took on the challenge of learning a new sport with gusto. Well done! Super proud of Lucy who was chosen by the leaders of the event for being MVP- (Most Valuable Player) of the tournament- out of all the schools there!



Year 3 Dodgeball

Year 3 had a fantastic time at Stokesley Secondary School this week, enjoying a brilliant session of dodgeball with teams from other schools in our area.

They were a credit to our school, showing real honesty, sportsmanship, and huge smiles throughout the event.

Well done, everyone!



Living our School Vision

We continue to celebrate the many ways our children are living our school vision of “Shining within themselves, for the community and out to the world.” Some children love to share their certificates with their class or with the whole school during our Friday celebrations. Others have gone out of their way to support causes they really care about or have shown dedication and passion in their interests beyond school. . Here are some examples:

Aoife – Aoife has been competing in dressage, not just with her peers but against adult riders, performing confidently in front of judges and an audience. She has been absolutely smashing it, showing incredible discipline and passion. We are so proud of her achievements!

Maddison – A huge well done to Maddison, who played as part of the MFC Foundation Cup Under-10s Champions. Her teamwork, determination, and love for the game were clear to see. A fantastic accomplishment!

Lincoln - A special shout-out goes to Lincoln, who has shown remarkable compassion and resilience. Over the holidays he completed an amazing 10-mile walk to raise money for Myeloma UK.

Lincoln's wanted to help this personal cause in any way he could. Through his “Miles for Myeloma” challenge, he raised an incredible £278, and we could not be more proud of his kindness and determination. A shining example of what it means to live our school vision every single day. Well done.

We are also super proud of our Year 6 'coaches' Ed and Jacob who have this week 'shone for others' by leading Year 1 sessions- amazing work.



World Book Day

Next Thursday we will be celebrating World Book Day, and children are invited (if they wish) to dress up as their favourite book character.

Throughout the day we'll be enjoying a range of book-related activities, including a visit to the library! Your child will have brought the letter home today but it is also below It is also possible to register online here:

<https://nylib.spydus.co.uk/cgi-bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/OPAC/JOIN>

If you chose this please email Claire at library.theglobe@gmail.com with your details explaining that you have.

On another day in the week we will also hold our annual House Book Quiz! All children will receive a £1 book token that can be used to buy one of the special World Book Day books at a bookshop, or £1 off any book.

Wonka Bars – Will You Find a Golden Ticket?

Our wonderful PTA will once again be selling Wonka Bars, each with the chance of winning some fantastic prizes!

- Pre-order is recommended, as pre-payments will close next Wednesday.
- A limited number of bars will be available to buy after school on Thursday, but these cannot be guaranteed.

Pre-order link:

<https://www.paypal.com/nep/payment/JYEENCESWV3XE>

Will *you* be the lucky one who finds a golden ticket?

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Wonderful Wonky Bar Sale!



Thursday the 5th of March



Pre-orders will be taken from now until Wednesday the 4th of March – to order your chocolate bars please use the below QR code and add your child's full name and year group –

The more bars you buy, the more chance of winning! *Bars will be given out after school on Thursday the 5th of March*



£3.00 per bar
(Galaxy)

Will you get a golden ticket?!



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Brilliant Walk or Wheel to School Success!

Here is a polished, parent-friendly version you can send out:

We are super impressed by the impact our *Walk or Wheel-to-School* efforts are having on our children – thank you for embracing this so enthusiastically!

This Week's Amazing Results

We've seen a huge increase across all forms of active travel:

- Park & Stride: up from 12 last week to 211 this week!
- Walking or Cycling All the Way: increased from 27 to 81
- Scooting: jumped from 3 to 30
- The winning class this week was Y1 with 83% of them making active journeys to school

These are *fantastic* improvements and show just how committed our families are to keeping children healthy, active, and ready for the school day. Well done, everyone!

A Quick Safety Reminder

To help keep all pupils, staff, and families safe:

- Scooters must not be ridden within the school grounds.
- Please ensure children dismount at the school gate.



Thank you for helping us maintain a calm and safe environment during busy drop-off and pick-up times.

Thank You for Your Support

Your continued enthusiasm is making a real difference — not just to children's health, but to reducing traffic and supporting our community environment.

Let's keep this brilliant momentum going!

Keep walking, wheeling, scooting, and shining!

The Community bringing History to life for Year 6

During their History unit, Year 6 have been exploring and evaluating a wide range of historical sources — including propaganda posters, written accounts, census records, our own school log books, and even songs from the era. They have loved looking at real artefacts, such as Bob's great grandad's letter. This has helped them think carefully about where information comes from and how we piece together stories from the past.

This week, they were incredibly lucky to be visited by Hilary, who was a child during World War II. Hearing her memories first-hand was a powerful piece of oral history, giving the children a real insight into daily life during the war.

They especially enjoyed learning about:

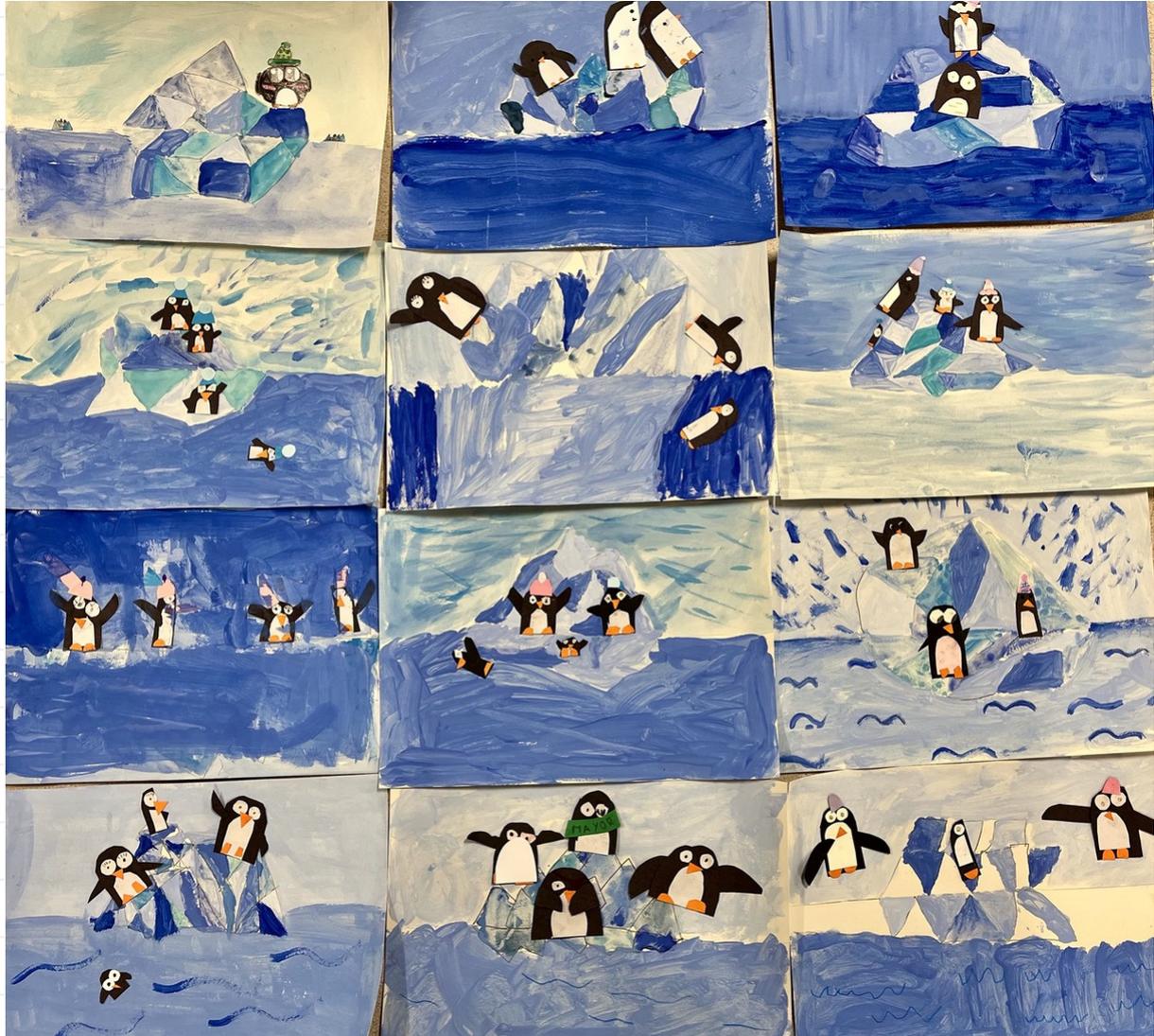
- Rationing and how ration books worked
- Identity cards
- Anderson shelters and air-raid precautions
- What life was like for families and children at the time

A huge thank you to Hilary for bringing history to life and helping our pupils understand the past in such a meaningful way.



Art Club fun

Mrs Lusvardi wanted to share some of the lovely penguin pictures painted by the KS2 Art Club from last half term.



Safeguarding News

Online Safety Newsletter – March

- Find out the latest guidance on children's smartphone use, screen time, and safety features.
- Learn about new YouTube parental controls and what you need to know about VPNs and hidden browsing.
- Discover how social media algorithms influence what children see online.
- Get advice on age-rated games like *Five Nights at Freddy's* so you can make informed choices at home.

Please take a moment to read the full newsletter – it's packed with useful tips to help keep your child safe online.



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Dates for Diaries

Thursday 5th March World Book Day

Friday 29th March Comic Relief- PJs and 'messy hair'

Monday 23rd March 11am Easter Service in church- all welcome

Friday 27th March Break up for Easter

22nd April Parents' meetings

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Free Eye Tests for Children



Has your child had their eyes tested yet?



This leaflet provides important information on looking after your child's eyes and booking an eye test for children

Children in North Yorkshire should visit an optician for a free eye test

When should you get your child a free eye test?

Ideally children should start having regular eye tests from the age of 4. But they can be tested at any age, even if they can't read or speak.

How do you book a free child's eye test?

Please book your child an eye test at an opticians, even if you have no concerns about their vision. To do this contact your local opticians - use this link for local practices [Find an optician - NHS](#).

What will it cost?

Children under 16 are entitled to NHS-funded (FREE) eye tests. If your child needs glasses, they will receive a voucher to **help with the cost**.

Why should you get your child's eyes tested?

- ✓ Being able to see clearly will mean your child is able to learn and develop at school and socially.
- ✓ Eyes are still developing in early childhood. An eye test helps pick up and treat any problems. This can help to **prevent** longer-term eye problems.
- ✓ Even if you think your child has normal vision it is still important to get their eyes tested.
- ✓ They are no longer tested in school.

How can you tell if your child has an eye problem?

Some eye problems don't show any signs, so it is always best to **take your child for an eye test**.

Signs of a possible eye problem can include:

- having one eye that turns in or out
- difficulty concentrating
- behavioural problems
- headaches
- rubbing their eyes a lot
- sitting too close to the TV
- screwing up/closing one or both eyes
- holding things close to them



An eye test is very **important** especially if there's a **history** of early glasses use, childhood **eye problems**, **squint** or **lazy eye**, in your family.

Did you know?

Short-sightedness is on the rise and has been linked to a range of factors including **screen use**. Help your child's eyes stay healthy by **managing screen use** and encouraging them to **get outside often** (this helps their eyesight).

More Information:

- NHS information: [nhs.uk/conditions/eye-tests-in-children/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/eye-tests-in-children/)
- Find an optician: [Find an optician - NHS](#)
- Information on Vision/Eye tests **Humber and North Yorkshire ICB**
- Information on Vision/Eye tests for families in **Craven, West Yorkshire ICB**
- Looking After Your Children's Eyes - [College of Optometrists](#)
- Children's eye health - [Association of Optometrists](#)



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