

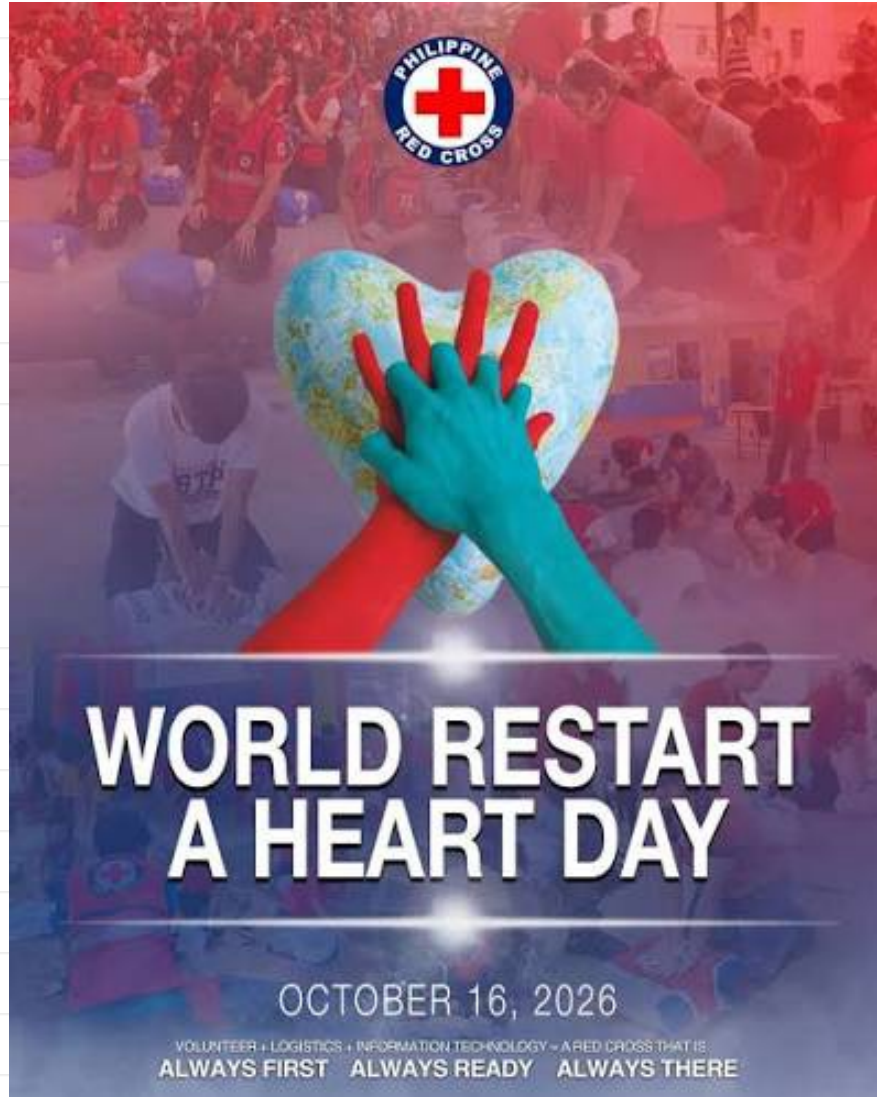
Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 16th October 2026

Restart a Heart Day

Thank you to everyone who attended our Restart a Heart training this evening. We learned essential lifesaving skills, including how to recognise a cardiac emergency, call for an ambulance, deliver effective CPR and use a defibrillator. We hope everyone found the session informative and worthwhile. Thank you for giving up your time to take part and helping to make our community a safer place.





School Council

Congratulations to our new School Council and Well Being Warriors.

Our newly elected School Council members have already been hard at work, helping to choose some exciting new playground markings for the children to enjoy. We're delighted that these will be funded by our wonderful PTA.

A big thank you to the PTA for their continued support of the school. We can't wait to see the new markings in place.



Congratulations Mrs Talkington

As this is our final newsletter before half term, I would like to share some happy news and offer our congratulations to Mrs Talkington, who will be getting married during the half-term break. Although she will officially become Mrs Fletcher after half term, she will be keeping the name Mrs Talkington at school for the time being.

We are sure you will join us in wishing Mrs Talkington and Dan every happiness as they begin this exciting new chapter together. Congratulations to them both!

Viking Day

Our Year 3 and 4 pupils stepped back in time this week as they took part in an exciting Viking and Anglo-Saxon workshop. Children explored the Early Medieval period through a range of hands-on activities, including an interactive timeline, role play, Viking weapon demonstrations, Warrior School and some geography too! The immersive experience helped to bring their history learning to life and consolidate their work on The Vikings. Thank you to The Wilderness Company for delivering such an engaging and memorable day.



Fab Footballers

It was the turn of our Year 5/6 boys to take part in the cluster football tournament this week. They enjoyed the experience and represented the school well.

Well done to the boys, who achieved a very respectable 3rd-place finish. Most importantly, they had fun, showed great sportsmanship and enjoyed competing against pupils from other local schools.



Wrap up campaign

As the weather begins to turn colder, we are once again supporting the local **Wrap Up Campaign** to help those in need over the winter months. Last year, thanks to your generosity, many coats were donated to families across our community. The organisers, including the Rotary Club, were incredibly grateful for the fantastic response from our school and asked us to pass on their sincere thanks particularly for the children's coats.

If you have any unwanted coats, please consider donating them. The collection box is now in the school entrance and will remain there over the coming weeks.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness and support in helping others.

Wrap up Teesside

17th October - 1st November

Each winter some adults & children across Teesside don't have a coat to keep them warm.

If you have a spare, unwanted coat then please donate it and we will ensure it gets to someone in need.

Look out for the Wrap Up boxes to donate your unwanted coats to warm a heart this winter.

Working together with



Collection boxes at:

STOKESLEY

Town Hall
Leisure Centre
Senior School
Post Office
Methodist Church
St Joseph RC Church
Intermodal Tank Transport Logistics UK Ltd.

Newcastle Building Society
Sports Club
Michael Rea Funeral Parlour
Springfield Co-op
St Peter & St Paul Parish Church

CARLTON

Carlton Community

GREAT BROUGHTON

Gt. Broughton Primary School

Carlton & Faceby Primary School

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PTA News

It has been a fantastic start to the year for our Friends of the School, with lots of exciting plans already underway. Our School Council met this week to discuss new playground markings and through donations we have been able to buy a new sound system too. They are now hoping to raise enough money to fund additional sports coaching later in the year. Thank you for your continued support. Please see below for ways you can help make these projects happen for our children.



Firework Extravaganza

Friends of Kirkby and Great Broughton School in partnership with [Great Broughton & Kirby Sports Club](#) are pleased to announce our annual fireworks extravaganza 2026!

Tickets can be purchased via the link below.

<https://tickets.co.uk/events/pta-firework-extravaganza> or by scanning the QR code

The Sports Club bar will be open for refreshments and sausage buns supplied by [Powell's Butcher's](#) of Stokesley.

The PTA will also be running a Tombola!





Easy Fundraising

Did you know that you can raise money for our school every time you shop online, at no extra cost to you?

By signing up to [easyfundraising](#), thousands of retailers, including Amazon, eBay, John Lewis, Tesco, [Booking.com](#) and many more, will make a small donation to our school whenever you make a purchase. The best part is that it doesn't cost you a penny extra.

These donations quickly add up and can help us provide additional resources, equipment and opportunities for our children. Whether you're booking a holiday, renewing insurance, ordering school shoes or doing your weekly shop, your everyday spending could make a real difference. Please consider signing up and supporting our school. It only takes a couple of minutes to join, and every donation, no matter how small, helps us enrich the experiences we can offer our pupils.

Click on this link or scan the barcode below. Thank you

[Friends of Kirkby and Great Broughton Primary School Fundraising](#) | [Easyfundraising](#)



Competitions to keep you busy over half term

A reminder that if you would like school to submit your Octopus Energy competition entry on your behalf, entries must be brought into school by Thursday. If you are entering directly during half term, please remember to say you are from Kirkby & Great Broughton School when submitting your entry.

The Rotary Junior Youth Competitions are also now open, offering children the chance to showcase their talents in art, writing, photography, film-making and environmental projects. This year's theme is "Friendship", and entries can progress from local heats through to national finals. Please see the attached information for further details.



Junior Youth Competitions.pdf

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octopus energy

REINVENTION ART COMPETITION

Show us your vision for a greener, brighter future!

Kirkby & Great Broughton C of E Primary School

OUR SCHOOL COULD WIN £500!

One of the top prizes is £500 for schools – so every entry helps!

THEME: REINVENTION
Imagine a greener, brighter future for our planet.

ANY ART MEDIUM WELCOME!
Paint, draw, photograph, collage, sculpt – anything! (No AI artwork)

OPEN TO AGES 5 – 25
Across Great Britain

OTHER PRIZES INCLUDE:

- £100 for 100 young artists
- Internships at Octopus Energy for 3 job-seekers
- Your artwork could be displayed across the UK!

WANT US TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY?
Bring your artwork into school by **Thursday 23rd October** and we will upload your entry for you.

SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM
Our school is closed for half term from **26th – 31st October** so we cannot accept entries during this time.

PREFER TO ENTER YOURSELF?
You can still upload your entry directly via the Octopus Energy website before the closing date.

COMPETITION CLOSING DATE: 31st OCTOBER

Find out more and enter at:
octopus.energy/reinvention-art-competition

Let's get creative and help our school win £500!

A brighter tomorrow starts with your imagination

PEOPLE
PLANET
CREATIVITY
CHANGE

School Lunches

It's great to see so many more children choosing to have school lunches. Thank you to Sarah, our cook, for her flexibility and hard work in providing delicious choices of the children.

For your information, we have been advised by North Yorkshire that the cost of school dinners will increase slightly after half term. The new prices will be £3.80 per meal for school dinners and

Attendance and Lateness

Lateness

Just a reminder that learning in our school starts at 8.45. Please do try to be on time as key skills are revised at this time such as phonics, maths key facts and handwriting. As you can see below, even 5 minutes makes a difference. Lateness will be monitored closely and teachers may be in touch. Thank you

BE ON TIME
QUARTER TO NINE

Every minute counts.
Every lesson matters.

Arriving on time helps your child start the day positively, stay settled and make the most of every learning opportunity.

THE IMPACT OF BEING LATE

5 MINUTES LATE EACH DAY	10 MINUTES LATE EACH DAY	15 MINUTES LATE EACH DAY
= 25 MINUTES MISSED EACH WEEK	= 50 MINUTES MISSED EACH WEEK	= 1 HOUR 15 MINS MISSED EACH WEEK

That's up to **2.5 HOURS** of learning missed every week.
Over a term, that's up to **OVER 15 HOURS** of valuable learning lost.

LEARNING MISSED IS LEARNING LOST

- ✓ New learning happens first thing in the morning.
- ✓ Late arrival can mean missing important instructions, key teaching and opportunities to participate.
- ✓ It can affect confidence, progress and friendships.

Be on time. Be ready.
Be the best you can be.

REGISTER CLOSES AT 9:00AM
Any arrival after 9:00am will be marked as **UNAUTHORISED**

★ Help your child have the best start to their day.
Thank you for your support.

★ **BE ON TIME. EVERY DAY.** TOGETHER, WE HELP EVERY CHILD THRIVE. ♥

Term time holidays

A reminder that schools are unable to authorise holidays during term time except in very exceptional circumstances. Requests for family holidays will normally be recorded as unauthorised absence.

Parents should be aware that 10 sessions (5 school days) of unauthorised absence may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice from North Yorkshire. Further information can be found on the reverse of the leave of absence application form.

Good attendance is vital for children's learning, wellbeing and progress. It is also an important aspect of Ofsted inspections. Attendance levels contribute to inspectors' evaluation of a school's culture, expectations and pupils' behaviour. With our next Ofsted inspection due this academic year, every day in school counts. As a school, we work hard to provide an exciting and engaging curriculum. However, if attendance across the school falls, this can have a negative impact on our

overall outcomes and may affect how Ofsted judges aspects of our provision, including attendance, behaviour and pupils' personal development.

We therefore ask all families to prioritise school attendance wherever possible, avoid taking holidays during term time, and ensure children arrive punctually each day. By working together, we can give every child the best possible opportunity to succeed and ensure our school continues to thrive.

Thank you for your support in helping every child make the most of their education by being in school every day, ready to learn.

Safeguarding News

Online Safety

We'd love you to watch this short video

If you have a few minutes, please take a look at the video below:

It's a short watch and gives some really useful information that we think parents will find interesting and helpful. As always, working together helps us provide the very best support for our children, so we'd encourage everyone to take a look when they can.



Digital Wellbeing-Oct 2026

player.vimeo.com

October Newsletter

This month's Online Safety Newsletter highlights a number of current online trends and potential risks for children, including the use of AI companion apps, Discord, CapCut and content that may appear suitable for children but contains inappropriate themes. It also provides practical advice for parents on setting parental controls, monitoring online activity and having regular conversations with children about staying safe online. We encourage all families to take a few minutes to read the newsletter and watch the accompanying video to help keep our children safe in an ever-changing digital world.



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Safeguarding Leads

For those new to school if you have any Safeguarding concerns, please contact Mrs McCormick via the office. If she is unavailable, Miss Atkinson (Y3) and Mrs Gence (Reception) are our Deputy Safeguarding Leads.



Dates for Diaries

Weds 21st October: Parent's meetings with teachers.

Thursday 22nd October None uniform in exchange for tombola prizes

Friday 23rd October: Training Day (Children not at school)

Tuesday 10th November am. Year 6 Crucial Crew

pm: KS2 Cross Country

Weds 2nd Dec 930: Nursery and Reception Nativity

Weds 2nd December 330: Christmas Fair at school

Weds 9th December: Key Stage 1 Nativity 2pm

Tuesday 15th December: Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Weds 16th December: Christmas Service in church. All Welcome

Community News



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Little Brushes

Holiday Art Workshop

Tuesday 27th October
10am-2.15pm
at
Kirkby & Great Broughton Primary School,
TS9 7AL

Pumpkin Painting & Autumn Crafts

Come and join us to paint your own pumpkin then decorate with sparkles and jewels. Have fun too creating some autumnal crafts.

Please bring a drink and pack lunch.

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+
£28 per child
(please note this is a drop off class, adults are fully qualified with first aid training and DBS checked)

contact: Sara Lusvardi 07794689421 or
littlebrushes.artclub@gmail.com

James Lofthouse Football for 4-12 year olds

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMP



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Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th
and Thursday 29th October

Brompton Primary School DL6 2RQ

4 - 6 years old 8.45am - 2.45pm

7 - 8 years old 9am - 3pm

9+ years old 9.15am - 3.15pm



Cost

Prices are reduced if you
book days in the same week.

£25 per child per day

£46 for 2 days

£60 for 3 days

Your child will need...

playing kit and boots to
suit the weather, plenty to
drink and a packed lunch.

Please note all sessions
will be outside. Toilets are
available in the school.

Cancellations

If any days of the camp are
cancelled due to adverse
weather conditions a credit will
be added to your account for future
camps and sessions.

Payments

To make a booking please use the booking system at
[//james-lofthouse-football.classforkids.io/camp/33](http://james-lofthouse-football.classforkids.io/camp/33)



For more information call James Lofthouse
on 07908 199994 or email
j.lofthouse@jameslofthousefootball.com
You can also message direct on Facebook
- booking is essential and on a first come
first served basis



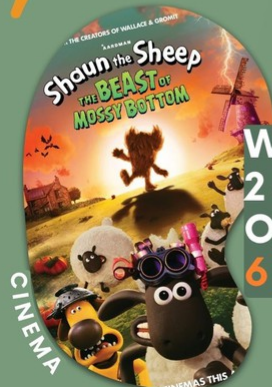
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2.30PM
FAMILY SHOW

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6PM

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