

Kirkby & Great Broughton CE School

Friday 21st April 2023

Welcome Back

Welcome back to the summer term and a special welcome to two new faces, Jasper and Rory. It promises to be a busy and fun term with lots of things already planned so please do look at the dates at the bottom of this newsletter.

Children are already back into work and enjoying their new learning.

Reception this term will involve all things tasty as we focus our learning on 'Fabulous Food', where our food comes from, food for health and growth and food as part of wider celebrations.

Year 1 and 2 are learning all about great explorers and their exciting discoveries. We are also finding out about plants and how they grow, with the hope to grow a variety of flowers and vegetables in our new quiet area.

In Years 3,4,5 this half term we will be learning about the history of the Anglo Saxons and how we know so much about an era from so long ago. In science we will be learning about electricity, how things are powered and what appliances are powered by mains power or battery. In computing we will be learning about videos and creating our own. In PE we are learning the skills needed to play tennis. Finally, in art we are going to be learning about sculpture and manipulating cardboard with the aim of creating our own Anglo Saxon village.

In Year 6 children are looking forward to starting our history work this half term answering the question 'Journeys through History - which was the most significant?' We will explore journeys made by people from lots of different periods of History and revisiting past learning as they go. Science work on forces links with DT work this half term and in art we will be busy making sculptures for a memory box and studying famous artists.

Brilliant Books

Thanks to the fabulous generosity during our sponsored read we have taken delivery of some exciting new books to update our class libraries. The children can not wait to get reading!

We are also excited to be holding a Scholastic Book Fair next week. The books will be for sale Monday-Thursday night after school. Every book bought gives us free books for school! Please do come to support us. More information below.



Book Fair Payments

A new part of Scholastic Book Fairs encourages payment online. Once you have chosen the book(s) you would like to buy you can pay online by scanning the QR code or going to their website. We will be on hand to support during the fair.

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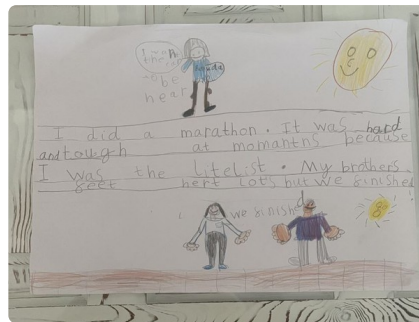
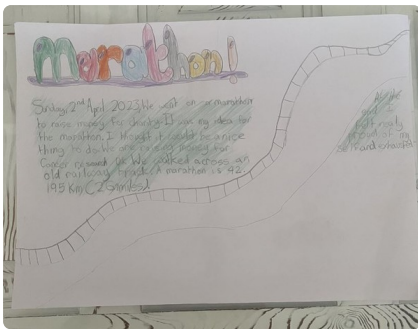




Austen and Teddie Shine in a Mallorca Marathon

We received inspirational news this week telling us that Austen and Teddie completed a marathon trek in Mallorca over Easter in aid of Cancer Research UK. It took them around 9 hours to complete the 26.2 miles. They both were determined to finish and completed every step (over 73,000) in Teddie's case.

So far donations with gift aid of over £3.5k! Congratulations, we are so proud of you.



Looking after the village play area

Although the play area in the village is not part of the school, it is lovely to hear the laughs of the children after school on sunny days enjoying this facility. However, in order for all of our children to enjoy it, it is important that as a community we work together to look after it.

Please could you ensure that your children are using the equipment correctly- the football nets (a recent addition costing £2,000) are not to be climbed on for example.

Could you please also ensure that dogs do not enter the park- this is for the safety of all children. Thank you.

Regarding the park, an accessible entrance to the park is being added so it will be closed most of next week from Monday

SEN Coffee Morning

Before Easter, Miss Atkinson organised a coffee morning with parents and invited along Meg Pickard who is our local Parent Participation Officer. It was a great opportunity for parents to meet her and ask questions. Her details and more information is below.



We are the recognised Parent Carer Forum for North Yorkshire, supporting families with children and young people (0-25 years old) with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

We now have a team of **Parent Participation Officers** (PPOs) working in localities across the region.

What is a Parent Participation Officer?

A person with lived experience of being a SEND Parent/Carer, working with local SEND parents and community organisations to understand and share collective needs and challenges.

Together with PPO colleagues across North Yorkshire, we ensure that lived experiences and voices are represented in decision making, service design and process improvement for SEND, Health and Social Care in our county.

What else does a Parent Participation Officer do?

- Signpost to local services and organisations
- Provide a listening ear
- Connect Parent/Carers together
- Organise and facilitate local events and training
- Provide feedback to local authorities
- Ensure a collective voice for positive change

We don't undertake individual case work, but we can direct you to other services which may be able to help.

Meet your local Parent Participation Officer

Area: Richmondshire

PPO: Meg Pickard

Contact details: pporichmond.pcv@gmail.com



Easter News

The final week of last term was a busy one with the Easter service, an Easter Journey day in school and the Easter egg competition. Children in Key stage 2 each took an aspect of the Easter story and looked at it in different ways. As well as representing the story through art, children also created board games telling the story from different viewpoints and Year 6 created news reports interviewing key witnesses.

The decorated egg competition produced some eggcellent results. There was obviously eggstraordinary effort put in and the School Council found it very tricky to pick (anonymous) winners!


Well done everyone.



Safety Online

Each newsletter we share with you short videos that can help you support your children when they are online. This week a video about possible effects of 'chatting' during seemingly harmless games. Also attached are two guides. Please do take a look.

Jack - Online gaming - Protect Their Curiosity - Internet Matters



Private Chat

GAMER888 : Yo what was that?!?

Jack03 : huh?

GAMER888 : U killed me!!! We're on the same team idiot!

Jack03 : I'm sorry, I'm not very good

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Parents' Forum

The summer term parents' forum will be held next Wednesday (26th) from 9-10 am in the school hall. For those who have not attended before, it is an informal meeting (with tea and biscuits!) for parents to find out what is happening in the school in general (not individual children or teachers) and to ask questions to school leaders.

We are keen to know what you would like to find out more about and what you would like on the agenda, so please do complete the form below, even if you are unable to attend and we will send minutes to parents.

Many thanks

Things about school I would like to know more about or questions I would like to ask. *

Your answer

Will you be attending the meeting? *

Summer Term Parents Forum

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Dates for Diaries

18-21st April Scholastic Book Fair

Weds 26th April 9am Summer Term Parents' Forum

WB 8th May Year 6 Sats Week. Tests will take place Tues-Friday

Weds 10th May: Year 1 and 2 Visit to Captain Cook Museum

25th May: 2.15 Reception Class Cozy Cafe

25th May [5pm](#) Year 6 parents drop in for questions regarding East Barnby

5th- 9th June 2023 Y6 residential

5th June Last date for ordering school uniform for the autumn term

Weds 5th July 1.30 - Sports Day

Thurs 6th July 130 Reserve sports day

Monday 10th July 2pm Key Stage 2 performance

Tuesday 11th July 5.30pm Key Stage 2 performance

Tues 11th July. Reception class to Monk Park Farm

Weds 12-14th July Year 6 Transition to Stokesley School

Weds 12th July am: Children meet their new teacher

Tuesday 18th July 6pm Drama Club perform Wizard of Oz:

Weds 19th July 11am Leavers service in church (all welcome)

Weds 19th July 3.15 Y6 leavers tea for parents:

Friday 21st July 3.15 School closes for pupils

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 are an Operation Encompass School

For further information, please come and see us.



Attendance Matters

At Kirkby and Great Broughton School we aim for excellent attendance and it is our legal duty to monitor this. Anyone with less than 90% attendance (this is 18 days in the whole year) is classed as a 'persistent absentee' and may receive a letter (although we know that in some circumstances this is unavoidable and we do take this into account). However please do read the leaflet attached below written by the Swaledale Alliance which the school is part of. This clarifies the impact of low attendance on children's learning and other aspects of attendance such as a parent's legal responsibility.

Please also be aware that Headteachers are not expected to authorise any term time holiday and should only authorise absences under exceptional circumstances (noted on the application form available on the website or via the school office). Please do support us with this.

If you would like a paper copy of this leaflet or if you would like to know your current child's absence please contact the school office.

Attendance Matters Parent Guide - printable.pdf

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