

**KIRKBY & GREAT BROUGHTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
VOLUNTARY AIDED
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



NEWSLETTER 20th September 2019

Dear Parents,

It's been a great start to the school year with all children settled in and working hard.

Stokesley Show

Everyone from our school has entered the children's competitions this year. All school entries, and if lucky enough any prizes, will be collected by school staff and returned to the children after our Celebration Worship in school next Friday. We hope you will enjoy looking at all the fantastic work on display in the children's tent tomorrow.

Y3 Bible Service on Tuesday 24th September at 9.15am



We look forward to welcoming parents of our Y3 children to school for this special occasion in our school hall. Our Y3 children will be leading this act of worship and will receive their Bibles from Reverend Anne.

Harvest

We hope you can join us on Tuesday 8th October 11am at St Augustine's Church for our Harvest festival service. If you would like to make a contribution, please bring harvest gifts into the school hall on the morning of 8th. All gifts are gratefully received and as in past years will be shared between two charitable organisations Yatton House and Middlesbrough Food Bank.



House Captains

We have appointed our new Y6 House Captains, Molly and Jude for Endeavour, Jacob and Isobel for Adventure and Ruby and Daniel for Discovery. We are sure that they will be excellent role models for the younger children and good ambassadors for our school.

School Council

The first school council meeting of the academic year took place this week. The children have some excellent ideas for the school year ahead and will begin their formal business by considering our school conduct code for 2019 - 2020. The members of the school council this year are Leo and Ivy in Year 1, Jasmine and Ernie in Y2, Anya and Edward in Y3, Freddie and Oliver in Y4, Isabella and Sebastian in Year 5, Evie and Seb in Y6.

School Photographer

Please note that children's individual photographs and photographs with siblings will be now be taken on **Monday 23rd September** due to an unavoidable change of date. Pre school sibling groups will be taken first, please arrive at approximately 8.50am if you would like these taking. Siblings in school will be taken during school hours.



Parents' Evenings Tuesday 22nd October and Thursday 24th October

These evenings are an opportunity to discuss your own child's progress at an early stage in the academic year, once they have had a half term to settle into their new class. Please put the dates in your diary and more details will be sent home nearer the time.

PTA/Friends of Kirkby and Great Broughton

The AGM and first meeting of our PTA will take place on Monday evening, 23rd September 7.00pm in the school hall, when a new committee will be elected and program of events discussed. New members are very welcome, please come along on the evening. Many thanks to everyone involved last year for giving their time so generously and we look forward to another year of successful events.

Reception to Year 6 Flu Immunisation consent



Details were sent home by letter via your child. This vaccination programme is in place to help protect your child against flu. Please do not return to school. **This consent must be completed online no later than the 27th of September**, to ensure your child will be vaccinated.

Music Success

At the end of the summer term pupils learning to play of musical instruments, supported by their tutor Mr Bone, completed formal music examinations.

Congratulations and a huge well done is shared with

Jack Y3 – a distinction at grade 1 saxophone,

Lily Y5 – a pass at grade 1 saxophone,

Isla Y3 - a pass at grade 1 saxophone,

Daniel Y6 – a merit at grade 3 saxophone,

Cameron Y5 – a merit at grade 2 flute,

Tilly Y2 – a merit at grade 1 saxophone,

Eimear Y5 – a merit at grade 2 saxophone.

A fabulous achievement everyone!

A Note from the Chair

Firstly, I would like to extend our Welcome to Mrs McDonald who officially became our Executive Headteacher on the 1st of September. All the children seem to have settled into their new classes and it is wonderful to see all the smiley faces at the beginning and end of each school day.

As expected under new leadership there will be some changes made this year. Mrs McDonald is an experienced Headteacher and along with staff and the Governing Body hope that any changes can be facilitated and implemented as seamlessly as possible to cause the least amount of disruption to the children. I also want more communication been the Governors and parents and will have a termly update in the newsletter.

Currently we have a Parent Governor vacancy on the Governing Body, this is a great opportunity to get involved with the school. The Governing Body is responsible for:

- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent
- Holding the Executive Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction

We are looking for enthusiastic and motivated people to come and join our Governing Body.

If you would like to be considered for the parent governor vacancy please contact the school to register your interest.

Look forward to seeing you all around at school.

Jayne Talintyre, Chair of Governors