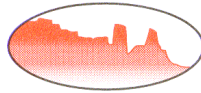


**KIRKBY & GREAT BROUGHTON  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
VOLUNTARY AIDED  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**NEWSLETTER 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

Dear Parents,

We hope you have all had a lovely half term break and we look forward to a very eventful half term together.

**Collective Worship**

During collective worship this half term we will be thinking about the Christian Value of Compassion and how we live out this value in our everyday lives.



**Football Friendly**



On the final afternoon of last term the older members of our KS2 Football Club hosted a friendly match against Ingleby Greenhow School. The grey clouds had held off all morning but unfortunately as the Ingleby team bus arrived at Kirkby so did the rain! What started as drizzle quickly turned into a steady downpour. However as the pitch conditions deteriorated the football skills, resilience and sportsmanship shone through. Despite the weather a super afternoon of sport was enjoyed by players, coaches and spectators. The team deserved the final score, 'a win for our home team'. Well done everyone!

**North Yorkshire Area Cross Country Finals**

Earlier this week our two school finalists, Francesca and Ines, competed at Dalby Forest. The girls reported that the course was very muddy due to the rain over the last few weeks. They both enjoyed the experience of representing the school, putting in a super performance to finish in the top third of each race. Brilliant running girls!



**Memorial Bench complementing our reflection garden**

In memory of two loved and respected Midday Supervisors, Mrs Aspery and Mrs Buchanan a new bench has been positioned in our Reflection Garden at the front of school. We would like to thank the families of both ladies, who worked at and supported our school for many years, for the very kind donations made in their memory. Our Reflection Garden is used for outdoor Worship and as a space for quiet reflection throughout the school day.

**Firework Extravaganza**

We hope many families will be able to attend the PTA Firework extravaganza tomorrow evening. We are sure it will be a fantastic occasion and thank the PTA and everyone who has worked so hard to prepare for this event.

**Friends of KGB School PTA:**

Fireworks Extravaganza - tomorrow Saturday 9th November. Doors open 5.30pm. Fireworks start 6.45pm. Tickets available on gate but will not include food.



Any donations of cakes gratefully received on the afternoon/evening if the event.



## 🎄 Saturday 23rd November - Christmas Fair 🎄

10am -12.30pm.

Stalls selling gifts, cards, pottery, jams, jewellery, preloved toys, children's stationery, 'Meet the local children's author' Rachel Coverdale signing her latest book, Raffle, Tombola, Refreshments.

Any donations of cakes/ tombola or raffle prizes gratefully received the week of the fair.

Thank you!

## Children in Need – 15th November

As you may be aware, it is Children in Need on Friday 15th November and we are having a non-uniform day. Children can dress in casual clothing, with spots and Pudsey ears very much encouraged. The School Council are going to organise a 'Bake and Buy' Stall to help raise money for the charity. If you are able to donate any cakes please bring them in on the morning of 15th and, of course, the children will need to bring in a donation if they would like to buy a cake! If we have cakes left over, they will be on sale after school at 3.15pm in the hall.

## Book Fair

The Book Fair was very successful again this year and we hope you enjoyed the opportunity to browse through the selection with your children. Thank you to everyone for your support, we are now able to choose a good number of new books for school which will benefit all the children.



## School Attendance

It is a requirement for every school to monitor pupil attendance. The Local Authority and the Department for Education set all schools a minimum expected target of 95% attendance over the school year. There is a link between attendance and achievement and therefore it is very important that your child attends school every day unless there are exceptional circumstances. Thank you for your support in helping to raise our overall school attendance. Children only have one chance in school and every second counts. If you would like any support or advice regarding attendance then please contact school.

## Big Book Boost

The Book People have launched the Big Book Boost. This is a brand new fundraising scheme to help schools earn free books. Every time you place an order online over £10 the school receives £1 for us to spend on books. How does it work? Make a purchase online over £10, select our school at checkout, then The Bookpeople will add £1 to our account. A leaflet has been sent home today with further details.





### Dates for your diary reminders

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Day

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – PTA Christmas Fayre 10.00am – 12.30pm

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Foodbank Collection

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Recorder group concert for their parents 1.20pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am – Christmas Performance (Reception children)

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm – Christmas Performance (Year 1 and Year 2 children)

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Service in St Augustine's Church 11am

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm – Key Stage Two Christmas Musical Afternoon (Y3-Y6)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas Dinner

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December pm – Foundation Stage/Key Stage One Christmas Party (Rec, Y1/Y2)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December pm - Key Stage Two Christmas Party (Y3-Y6)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December **3pm** – School closes for the Christmas holidays.