

**KIRKBY & GREAT BROUGHTON  
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Dear Parents,

Throughout this term the children have certainly lived out our focus Christian Value of 'Courage' in their daily lives. The pupils in Year Two have provided us with their personal reflections around the value in a very thoughtful class-led worship, inspiring us all to keep trying and never give up when life throws new challenges at us.

**PTA**

Many thanks to the PTA for organising a very enjoyable and successful quiz evening earlier this month. Thank you for the generous donations of raffle prizes. The event raised £340 - fantastic!

**Thank  
You**

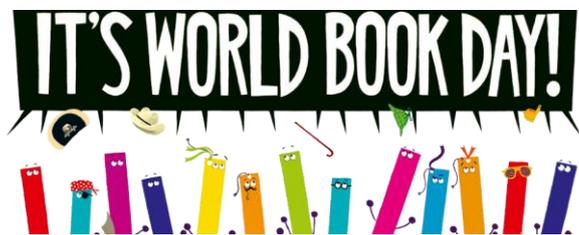
Your Christmas card orders placed last term also raised an amazing £229.24 for school funds, again a big thank you from everyone at school.

**Reception Multi Skills**

Last week our Reception children attended a multiskills event at Stokesley School. Everybody tried their best and smiled their way through lots of jumps, running, balancing, throwing and catching activities. A special mention must be given to Lucy and Nell for receiving awards for their passion and Freyja for her respect. Well done girls!



**World Book Day**



Our school will celebrate world book day on Friday 6th March by inviting children to dress up as their favourite book character. This is a day later than the official world book day as it will fit around other curricular arrangements and will also enable the children to participate in a school readathon. Sponsor forms and details will be sent out after half term so friends and

family can sponsor the children to read, read, read!

As Mr Shackles was an avid reader, we would like to spend the money raised on some reading resources for outdoors, maybe even a reading shack if we raise enough. We feel this will be a fitting tribute and memorial for our greatly missed teacher, colleague and friend, that will inspire our own avid readers.

## The David Ashwell FOUNDATION

As you may be aware Auden Ashwell (Year 3) lost his big brother David to a rare disease called Alveolar Capillary Dysplasia in 2011. Amelia and Simon, Auden's parents, run a small UK registered charity called 'The David Ashwell Foundation' to raise money for research into this rare condition to provide answers that didn't and don't exist.

Alveolar capillary dysplasia is a very rare congenital malformation involving abnormal development of the capillary vascular system around the alveoli of the lungs. Babies with ACD may appear normal at birth but within minutes, hours, weeks or months they develop incurable respiratory distress. There is no treatment for ACD and as it is so rare, there has been little research into this devastating and usually fatal illness.

Since 2011, Amelia and Simon have raised much needed funds for research into this rare disease which affects new born babies. Together, with the US based ACD Association, they have funded eight research grants into this rare condition.

If you would like to support The David Ashwell Foundation please come to school on **Friday 28th February** wearing your jeans instead of your school uniform and bring in a £1 or a donation. The virgin money giving link is here: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/ForDavid>

### Play in a day

On Friday 7th February, our Y3/4/5 children received some drama workshops provided by Queen Elthaburga's School outreach services. The children had fantastic focus, great fun and they learnt many new skills. At the end of the day, they linked their learning to produce a showcase for their parents.





### **Year One Phonic Screening meeting for parents**

The Year One Phonics Screening information night will be rearranged for Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 3:30pm. If you are unable to make the meeting, I will send home booklets with information about the Phonics Screening.

We hope you have a lovely break over half term and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.