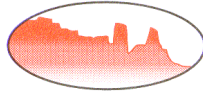


**KIRKBY & GREAT BROUGHTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
VOLUNTARY AIDED
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



NEWSLETTER - 7th September 2018

Dear Parents

Welcome to everyone!

On behalf of all the staff and governors, I would like to welcome the children who are starting with us for the first time this term and all new parents and families. We welcome 21 children into Reception and two new children into Year 3 & Year 5 making a total of 130 children in our school. We are all looking forward to another happy and successful year together. It has been great to hear of the children's wonderful summer holiday experiences and they seem refreshed and enthusiastic about the new school year.

New 'Fitness Footpath'

Over the summer holidays work has taken place to build a compacted sand based path around our school field joining up with the existing tarmac path to create a fitness circuit ideal for use in all weathers. It has been enthusiastically received by the children who are already feeling the benefit of their more spacious outdoor area energetically accessing it this week at lunch and playtimes. Future plans are to incorporate activity stations with fitness apparatus at various points around the track enabling our children to increase their daily activity levels. Our School Council will be involved with this exciting project over the coming year.

Arrival at School

On arrival at school, we would ask that children and parents wait in the playground until the cloakroom doors are opened at 8.45am. Children can then come into school between 8.45 and 8.55 am when the teachers will be in the cloakrooms to welcome them. It is very important that children arrive at school on time as the first lesson begins at 9 o'clock prompt. However, should your child arrive at school after 8.55am please come in via the front door and sign the attendance book. Please note that there is no supervision on the playground before 8.45am and therefore children should not arrive without adult accompaniment before this time. Thank you.

School Lunch Money

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal. The cost of school lunches for children in Year 3 to Year 6 is £2.30 per day or £11.50 per week. Lunch money for this half term is £ 89.70. Please logon to your ParentPay account to pay for your school lunches. Reception children will receive an activation letter for ParentPay within the next couple of weeks. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, please contact the school office for advice. Please remember that children cannot swap from school dinner to packed lunch within a week. Whichever they choose on a Monday must be taken for the full week. Many thanks.

Health School Award

We are proud of our Healthy School Award which we received in recognition of promoting healthy lifestyles. In line with the requirements of this award, we would really appreciate your support in terms of encouraging healthy eating. If your child would like to bring in a snack to have at playtime they are welcome to do so. However, please can they bring a piece of fresh fruit; not sweets, chocolate or crisps. Also, we really don't want to sound ungrateful, but when children kindly bring in cakes or sweets to be distributed to all the class, it can cause a few problems, including concerns over food allergies. Therefore, please could we ask that children do not bring in cakes/sweets for birthdays or gifts from holiday.



Uniform/PE kits

Please can we request that children bring their PE kits to school in a drawstring bag which will fit on their coat peg, as we don't have enough room in our cloakrooms for larger bags. It would also be very helpful if children could bring their reading book and homework books to school in a small bag or a book bag.

Regrettable alteration to published school holiday date Monday 3rd June 2019

We apologise for the need to alter a previously published holiday date for the May half term break 2019. The PD day at the end of the half term holiday Monday 3rd June is to be changed to **Friday 24th May 2019**. This change is necessary and unavoidable due to the availability of East Barnby Outdoor Education Centre where our Year Six pupil's will be attending a residential week 3rd-7th June. Thank you for your understanding.

Leave of Absence during term time

We would like to remind parents of the Government legislation regarding leave of absence during term time. It states that headteachers cannot authorise absence from school for holidays and can only authorise leave of absence in extreme circumstances. All applications must be made in writing using the leave of absence form which is available at the school office. The form outlines some examples of extreme circumstances which could be considered.

Reporting that your child will be absent



Please telephone between 8.00am and 9.20am to advise that your child will not be attending school that day and on their return please send a note to confirm the reason for their absence. Please leave a message on our answer machine if your call is not answered. Our school policy is that if a child is not present by 9.20am and we have not been notified either by telephone or a verbal message to the office or a member of staff, we will ring you to find out why they are not at school.

Administration of Prescribed Medicines

If your child needs to take any medicine whilst at school, could you please send it to school in a marked container and complete the necessary form confirming the administration of the medicine. We are only authorised to administer medicines which have been prescribed by a doctor.

Photographs and Videos of School events



Please can I remind parents that when they come into school for various events they are welcome to take photographs and short videos. However, these must not be shared on social media of any kind. We have been specifically asked by some parents that their child's photographs do not appear on the internet and I ask for your support in respecting their wishes. Many thanks.

Newsletters/Text Messages



Newsletters are sent home via the children on Fridays, usually fortnightly. If any parent would like to receive an emailed copy please email the school office on admin@kirkby-in-cleveland.n-yorks.sch.uk and leave your email address. A copy will also be posted on the school website. We also use a text messaging service to contact you at short notice or for reminders of events. Please advise if the number we have on file for this service needs updating. Please could new parents complete the form below to enable you to receive information in this way.

PTA

We are very fortunate to have a fantastic Parent Teacher Association at our school who organise a range of successful events over the year. The work of the PTA and the money raised through their events are greatly valued by the staff and governors. The Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 17th September at 6.30pm in the school hall and everyone is very welcome to attend. We hope that some of our new parents will be able to attend this meeting and join our PTA.

School Photographer

Children's individual photographs and photographs with siblings will be taken on **Wednesday 26th September**.



Y3 Bible Service on Tuesday 2nd October at 9.15am



Each year we mark the transition from Y2 to Y3 with the gift of a Bible. This is an important transition as children move from the Infant to the Junior Years. If you have a child in Y3 please make note of this date and join us for this special occasion in the school hall.

Harvest Service

We would like to invite parents and friends to join us for our Harvest Service which will be held in St Augustine's Church at 11am on Tuesday 9th October.

Collective Worship

During collective worship this term we will be focusing on the Christian value of Thankfulness and how we can live out this value in our everyday lives.

Extra- Curricular Clubs

We have a number of after school clubs on offer for our children. Please see below a list of the clubs and when they will be starting this term. Further information to follow.

Mondays	3.15-4.15 Multi-sports Club for Y1/Y2/Y3 (C Burton) starting Monday 10th September <i>(Please note this club is now scheduled for a Monday evening not Tuesday as in previous years)</i>
Wednesdays	3.15-4.15 Netball Club for Y3-Y6 starting Wednesday 12th September
Thursdays	3.15-4.15 Multi-sport Club for Y4/Y5/Y6 (R Darcy) starting Thursday 13th Sept
Thursdays	3.20-4.05pm French Club (Le Club Francais) for Y3/Y4 starting Thursday 20th September
Fridays	3.15-4.15 Sewing Club for Y5/Y6 starting Friday 14th September .
Fridays	3.15-4.15 Football Club for Y3-Y6 starting Friday 14th September

Christmas Dates

Christmas seems very far away at the moment but it does creep up on us, so here are some early diary dates for this hectic time of the year!



Tuesday 4th December 2.30pm - Christingle Service in school
Monday 17th December 9.15am - Christmas Nativity (Reception children)
Monday 17th December 2.30pm - Christmas Nativity (Y1 and Y2)
Tuesday 18th December 2.30pm - Key Stage Two Christmas Concert
Thursday 20th December 11am - Christmas Carol Service in St Augustine's Church
Thursday 20th December - Foundation Stage/Key Stage One Party (Rec, Y1/Y2)
Friday 21st December - Key Stage Two Party (Y3-Y6)

Term Dates 2018 - 2019

School Closes

School Re-opens

Autumn 2018

Half Term

Friday 26th October

Tuesday 4th September

Monday 5th November

Christmas 2018

Half Term

Friday 21st December

Friday 22nd February

Tuesday 8th January

Monday 4th March

Easter 2019

May Day Holiday

Friday 12th April

Friday 3rd May

Tuesday 30th April

Tuesday 7th May

Half Term

Thursday 23rd May

Monday 3rd June

Summer 2019

Friday 19th July

School Website



As you know, our website is available at www.kirkbyandgreatbroughtonschool.co.uk. It provides up to date information for parents and children and is a key means of communication between home and school. The website also provides a great opportunity to share some of the activities enjoyed by our children with their families.

In order to make our website as interesting as possible, photographs containing images of our children may be included, if your permission is given. Please complete the slip below and return to school.

Sewing Club

Sewing Club for Year 5 and 6 will commence on Friday 14th September. Please complete the form below if your child is interested in joining. The club runs from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. Unfortunately due to an increase in numbers for the Sewing Club this will be first come first served



Flu Immunisation for Reception to Year 5

If you would like your child to receive a vaccination to protect against flu please follow the instructions on the attached letter to complete the form online. Please do not return to school.

Y5/6 Sewing Club

Name of Child

I give permission for my child to attend the school sewing club.

Signature of Parent

Unfortunately due to an increase in numbers for the Sewing Club this will be first come first served .

Text messaging & Email for Newsletters - New Parents

Name of Child

My preferred mobile for text messages is

My preferred email address for newsletters is

Netball Club

Name of Child /Children Year

..... Year

I give permission for my child to attend Netball Club.

Signature of ParentContact number for emergencies.....

Please note this club could be cancelled at short notice due to weather conditions. We will contact you via text if cancelled.

Football Club

Name of Child /Children Year

..... Year

I give permission for my child to attend Football Club

Signature of ParentContact number for emergencies

Please note this club could be cancelled at short notice due to weather conditions. We will contact you via text if cancelled.

Consent for the use of child's image or photograph

Name of Child Year.....

Please tick (✓) as appropriate	
	I/we GIVE permission for photos containing images of my/our child to be used on the school website, school prospectus and school publicity in the local press. Children's full names will not be used.
	I/we DO NOT give permission for any photos containing images of my/our child to be used on the school website, school prospectus, school publicity in the local press.

Signature of Parent

Date