

### Kirk Smeaton Church of England Primary School Main Street, Kirk Smeaton, Pontefract West Yorkshire, WF8 3JY

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Headteacher: Mrs H Cuddy Date: Friday, 1st July 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

Our target this week is to use kind words, hands and feet.

Thank you. Mrs Cuddy

Achievements for 24.6.16 Star Being Informed Mathematician Rhys Eva George Amelie Brendan Jayci-Mae Aryan Oliver

Campsmount Transition - the transition day for our Year 6 children going to Be Informed Campsmount has now been moved to Monday 4th July, and will be for a morning session only. Parents will need to take their children through for 8:30am, and Campsmount will then transport them back to Kirk Smeaton for 12pm, in time for lunch as normal at school.

Askern Cricket - this trip has been rescheduled for 8th July 2016, and new letters have been sent home for those children involved. Please make sure payment and consent is given on parentpay, or via the office if you have not already done so.

Dolphins parents / grandparents - because of the Askern cricket trip, there will be no parent reading next week. This will be back on from Friday 15th July though.

Lost Property - a pair of ladies sunglasses were found following the teddybears picnic / sports day. If you believe these are yours please collect them from the school office.



- 1. Leadership: Further develop middle leader's impact by sharing outstanding practice.
- 2. Challenge: Encourage challenge and mastery in Reading, Writing and SPAG for more able learners.
  - 3. Curriculum: Raise children's attainment in spelling, grammar and punctuation. Ensure that all children are working within age-related achievements.

Lions Trip - Our Lions will be visiting the Yorkshire County Cricket Ground in Headingley on July 14th. If you haven't already done so, please make payment for the trip onto parentpay and be reminded that consent is also given for the visit at the time of making payment onto parentpay.

Should you experience any difficulties with parentpay, please ensure you pop into the office as soon as possible as it is essential we have consent for each child attending.

Knitting Club - unfortunately there will be no knitting club on Monday  $4^{th}$  July at lunchtime, but this will resume as normal the following week.

<u>Fagles Trip to Cobblers Lane</u> – a letter has now been sent home with Eagles children detailing their upcoming trip to Cobblers Lane Primary on Monday  $II^{th}$  July. This has now been set up on parent pay where consent and payment can be given. Please let the office know of any problems as soon as possible.

# Smeaton Summer Fayre

**Donations.** - we still desperately need donations of tombola prizes, bottles, sweets / chocolates, bottles of spirits and ingredients for the cocktail stall at this years summer fayre, along with any baking donations. We are also looking for help with setting up the event and manning the stalls. If you can be of any assistance please let us know.

**Preparation**— there will shortly be a list outside school with a wish list of donations and jobs. If you are able to help we really appreciate it, please add your name to the list. We are hoping to raise funds to pay for activity lines on the playground, so we have a target of £3000. Thank you again for your continued support.

**Raffle** - raffle tickets are now available for purchase from the school office or our lovely Parents and Friends team. They cost £1.00 each, or a strip for £5.00. Winning tickets will be drawn after Smeatons Got Talent, and a list of prizes can be found on the attached document.

Smeatons Got Talent - Smeaton's Got Talent is fast approaching and this is the final call for entries. If you would like to put in a late entry, forms are still available in the office. Anybody who has an act with music needs to get a copy to Sue Brierley by the end of today.

 $\underline{\textit{Dog Show}}$  - Entry forms are now available for anyone wanting to enter their dog into the show. This will take place at 3pm, and the entry fee is £2.00 per class entered. Spare forms are in the school office for anyone that would like one. Please make sure you return these to school by Friday  $8^{th}$  July

School Dinner/Packed Lunches - Please be reminded that when you wish your child to change from school dinners to packed lunches or vica versa we need at least two weeks notice. It has been brought to our attention that some children are just bringing packed lunches or requesting a school dinners at lunch time on an adhoc basis. I'm sure you can appreciate this causes a lot of problems for the office and the School Cook as she only prepares meals based on the numbers we give her each week.

#### Class Assemblies

STARFISH AND DOLPHINS- will be hosting their class assembly on Monday  $II^{th}$  July at 2.45pm. EAGLES- on  $2I^{st}$  July Eagles will be showcasing their talents in the leavers assembly.

Thankyou to everyone who came along to Lions assembly, and for supporting us by buying buns. The children put on an excellent performance and we had a wonderful turnout.

Wellies - from September we are hoping to be able to provide wellies for all Starfish children to wear outdoors, rather than using trainers. If anybody would like to donate a pair in any child size or colour it would be greatly appreciated.

<u>Small Freezer/Gazebo</u> - Does anyone have either of these items blocking their garage/shed that they would like to clear out and donate to School? If so we'd be more than grateful! - If anyone knows of either of these items for sale at a reasonable price we would also be interested in purchasing.

<u>Gardening Afternoon</u> - thank you to all the parents who came to the gardening afternoon. We had an amazing afternoon and are really appreciative of the time you gave up.

<u>Teacher Training</u> - for anyone interested in a career in teaching, North Star are hosting information events across North Yorkshire. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

## Parents & Friends - Playground Markings

We would like to say a huge thank you to Parents & Friends for funding a fantastic playground marking area in our Starfish outdoor area. If you haven't already seen it, please have a look though we've added a photo for you! We have a cycle track marked out and a caterpillar number line

Parents & Friends work extremely hard all year round raising money for wonderful resources and experiences for all our children - this is just one example. We are constantly looking for parents to join in where possible and help our lovely Parents & Friends team. We have the Summer Fayre fast approaching on Saturday, 9th July and any volunteers to run stalls, set up, clear away etc would be very much appreciated.

Please help us wherever you can and lets continue to raise funds for our lovely School Thank you





Eagles Cricket Trip - our Eagles had a great day visiting the Yorkshire Cricket Ground at Headingley, and you too can see and what it was like via the following link; http://yorkshirecricketfoundation.com/news/view/291/education-day-2016

Race for life - the school will be hosting a race for life event on Thursday 7th July. Starfish and Dolphins will be running from 2pm, and Lions and Eagles from 2:30pm. The children have already been given a sponsor sheet and 'I race for life for...' sheet, both of which need to be returned before the day as the children will be wearing them on their back. Parents and children are all welcome to take part in the event, and we will attempt to run/walk 30 laps of the playground, which is 3 miles. Children will need a water bottle and PE kit for the day. Parents and friends will be serving refreshments - we hope to see you all there.

**Rio Update** – all the children have made excellent progress for our 'Walk to Rio' challenge. So far they have accumulated 3287 miles – with a good pair of binoculars we can just see The Gambia still, but Brazil is getting closer and closer!

<u>Summer Cricket Camp</u> - Ackworth School are hosting a 4 day cricket course during August, and it is open to all children aged 7 - 15. We have attached a flyer from them for anyone who may be interested in attending.

Attendance - Whole School Attendance to date - 96.22% (Attendance is calculated up to and including the previous Friday)

Kind Regards, Mrs J Malthy

w/c 20/06/2016	
Whole school	96.75%
Starfish	98.89%
Dolphins	97.86%
Lions	96.67%
Eagles	94.20%

## **Important dates for your diary**

Collective Worship with Fr Adrian

Year 3 swimming lessons

Y6 Campsmount Transition Day (Half Day) Y6 Brayton Transition Day (Full Day) Transition Morning for all Classes

Race for life

Askern Cricket Festival Academic Year 15/16 Reports

Summer Fair and Smeatons Got Talent Eagles Trip to Cobblers Lane Primary Starfish and Dolphins class assemblies

Parents Open Evening Lions Trip to Headingley **Reception Graduation** Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Last day

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 1pm

Fridays 2-3pm Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> July

Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016 @ 2.45 Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016 Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Thursday, 21st July 2016 Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2016