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Date: Friday, 5th November 2021

Sport Trips – we will be reducing team numbers going forward for our sports trips in line with Campsmounts Activity Rules, but we will try and keep things fair so that children can attend different events. Parents of those attending each event will be sent a letter prior to the event. We do ask however that all children in the class bring their PE kits in case of absences, so we can substitute. A list of our upcoming trips are below.

Date	Class	Event	Location
Wednesday 10 th November	Dolphins	Basketball	Campsmount
Wednesday 17 th November	Eagles	Basketball	Campsmount
Wednesday 24 th November	Eagles	Netball	Campsmount

Children In Need – On Friday 19th November, children are invited to join us in their spottiest non-uniform to support Children In Need. £1 donations would be greatly appreciated.



School Lottery – our school lottery is now online, and we really need your support! You can sign up at <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kirk-smeaton-ce-primary-school/supporter>. This term, all ticket holders will also be entered into a nationwide draw to win a family ticket to the Harry Potter Studio tour. We are quite a way from our goal number of people signing up so please sign up as soon as you can.

Flu Vaccination - a letter has been sent out on Parentmail regarding the flu vaccination for all children in Reception to Year 6. If you haven't already given consent, but would like your child to receive this, please follow the instructions to give consent as soon as possible.

After School Club – this terms booking forms are now available from the school office or by email. We also have the below running, as well as a November craft club previously emailed out.

Monday	Debbie Drake 07879 687 847	Dodgeball	3.00-4.30
Tuesday	Debbie Drake 07879 687 847	Rugby	3.00-5.00
Wednesday	Debbie Drake 07879 687 847	Hockey	3.00-5.00
Thursday	Mrs Jenkinson (book via school office)	Netball and Basketball	3.00-4.30
Friday	Debbie Drake 07879 687 847	Football	3.00-4.30

Trainers - As the weather gets colder and wetter, please make sure you send a pair of outdoor trainers into school for PE and playing on the field at playtimes. Children in Y1-6 should also have a pair of trainers for indoor PE.

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Bookclub - This terms bookclub leaflet has now been sent home. Please return any orders with cash or cheques (made payable to 'Kirk Smeaton School') to the school office by Friday 12th November. Please do not send card details in as we cannot process these.

Internet Safety – The new series 'Squid Games' has caused a bit of excitement amongst young people, so please remember to be vigilant with your child's internet usage remind children the importance of safety online. <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> is a great resource for supporting children and parents with online safety.

Bags To School – on Wednesday 8th December, Bags 2 School will be collecting our donations of clothing / shoes. This year they are trying to reduce their plastic manufacturing, so ask that all donations are brought in bin liners / bags from home. These can be left at the top of the school drive on the morning of collection. Thank you in advance.

- Items they collect: Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags , bags
- Hats, scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie , socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen, curtains, towels, bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



CHRISTMAS — FAIR —

Wednesday 1st December 14:30 – 16:30

- We'd love to hear from any parents that can help out on the day, running a stall and helping us set up. If you can lend a hand, please let the school office know
- Donations for our raffle would be greatly appreciated – we've had some very generous donations from local businesses, but still need more! Anything you can give would be amazing
 - Stalls can be rented for £10 a stall – reserve your spot now by contacting the school office
- Children are invited to join us in non-uniform on Friday 26th November in exchange for a tombola donation



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Shoebox Appeal - letters have gone home regarding our Shoebox appeal for this year. Where possible, if you could return your donations directly to the Appeal that would be greatly appreciated to help us with space/logistics. Drop off locations can be found at www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk .

Absence – please be aware that where a household has cases of covid, but your child does not, keeping them off will result in an unauthorized absence. This is purely for internal purposes only. We understand how difficult it may be to get your child to school, but we have to follow our guidance when recording absences.

Change to Current School Year – to allow for the Jubilee, our school year will now end on Monday 25th July 2022. Our staff training day that was scheduled for Tuesday 26th July 2022 will now be on Friday 27th May 2022.

Road Safety – it has been brought to our attention that parking when collecting / dropping off children has become quite hazardous again. Please avoid parking across entrances/driveways, on or opposite the yellow zig zags, and on bends. With our winding roads, dangerous and inconsiderate parking causes a huge danger for our children, and others, whilst getting to school. We ask that you also avoid pulling up at the bottom of the drive for your child to run up the drive. Again, this causes big problems for other road users and pedestrians. There have been instances where parents have allowed children to exit the vehicles into the road, and without looking the children are running across traffic. Please remind them about the importance of road safety, and avoid putting them in these situations.

Reminders

We are a nut free school. Please do not send in packed lunches or snacks.

We are a healthy school. Packed lunches should not contain chocolate or sweets.

Please send in your old batteries and printer cartridges for us to recycle.

Useful Contacts

School Office: 01977 620 497
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After School Club: 07521 952 373

Parents and Friends: pandf@kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk

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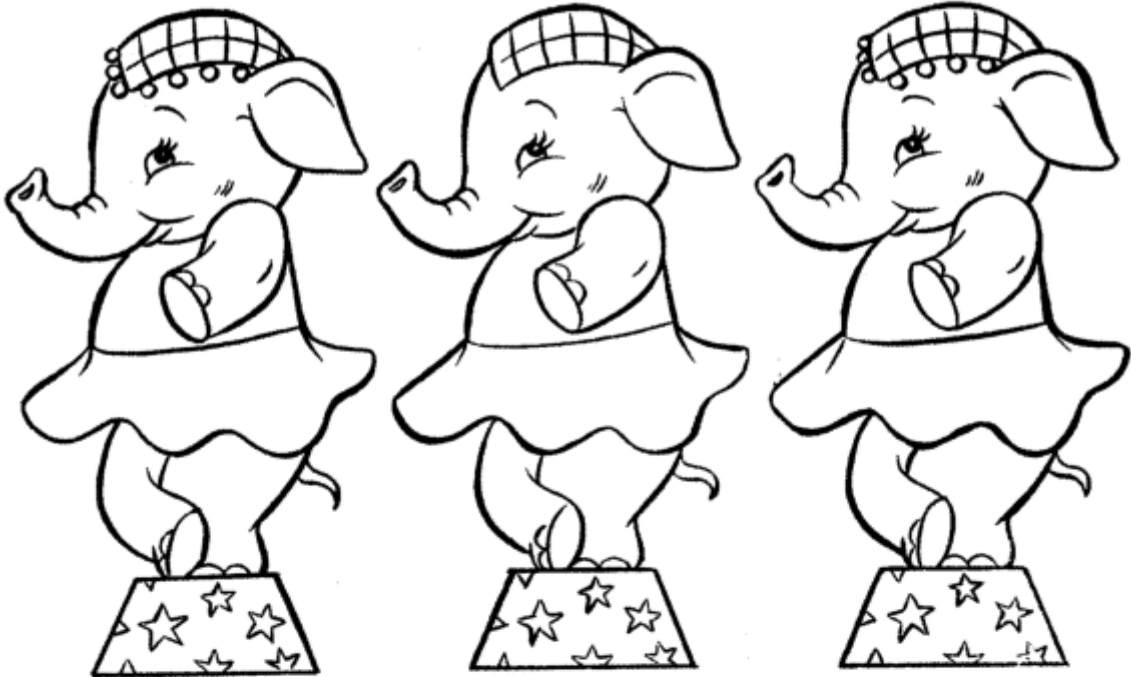
Important Diary Dates

Wednesday 10th November
Friday 12th November
Wednesday 17th November
Friday 19th November
Wednesday 24th November
Thursday 25th November
Friday 26th November
Wednesday 1st December
Wednesday 8th December
Monday 13th December @ 13:45
Tuesday 14th December @ 13:45
Thursday 16th December @ 13:30
Friday 17th December
Wednesday 5th January

Dolphins Basketball @ Campsmount
Bookclub Order Deadline
Eagles Basketball @ Campsmount
Children In Need. Non uniform – spotty £1.
Eagles Netball @ Campsmount
Flu Vaccination
Non-uniform – tombola donation
Christmas Fair @14:30-16:30
Bags 2 School
Starfish Nativity
Dolphins Nativity
KS2 Christmas Sing Along
School Closes
School Opens

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FIND THE ONE THAT IS DIFFERENT.



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