



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

Tel: 01977 620497

Email: admin@kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk

In association with Went Valley Pre-School and Breakfast Club

Tel: 01977 621521



Headteacher: Mrs H Cuddy

Date: Friday, 8th July 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

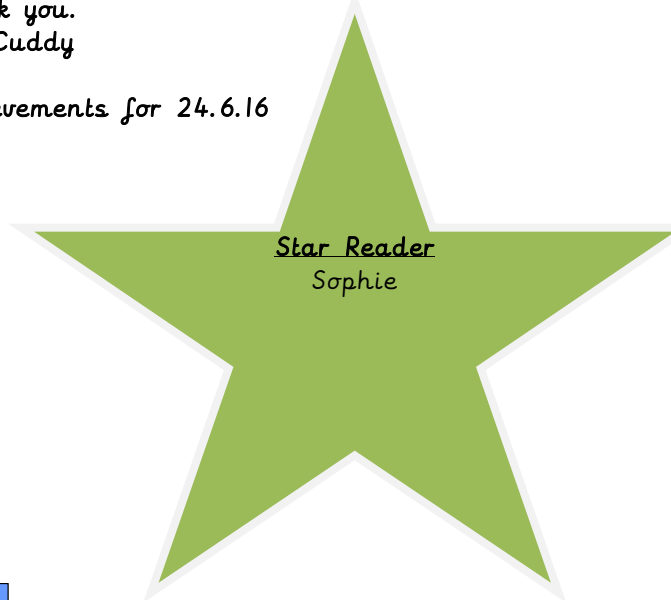
Well done to all the children and families who took part in the Race for Life.

This week our target was to use kind words, hands and feet. We still have some work to do on using kind words, so this will be the school target next week. To all those who have succeeded in this task, I ask for your help to support others around you.

Thank you.

Mrs Cuddy

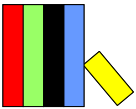
Achievements for 24.6.16



Star Reader
Sophie



Being Happy
Mickey



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.

Be Informed

Class Photographs - we have now been passed your orders back from Phototronics and they have been handed out. If you have not received your order please let the school office know as we have a couple that do not have names attached.

Starfish Explorers Stakeholder Consultation

Thank you to all who sent comments on the proposed consultation of the new Starfish Explorers provision. All comments have been discussed and hopefully have been answered where possible in the letter from the chair of governors, Rebecca Rawson. I am happy to announce that Starfish Explorers will be going ahead in October 2016. We feel that this decision is the very best for the school.

It provides children the best possible start in their education and school life, which in turn will have a positive impact on the results at Key stage one and eventually in key stage two at Kirk Smeaton C of E School.

We are setting the charge for this provision so that it is at least cost neutral to school and, to the extent it provides more funds into the school budget, this will allow the school to deploy more support work for our current children in Reception to Year 6.

The decision will stabilise the school further and we hope that over time we have more balanced numbers in each year group as a result of this provision.

If you are interested in using this service please see Mrs Maltby and she will add your name to a list. In September all paperwork will be finalised and sent out to those who have expressed an interest.

More information on staffing will be shared as we know more information on numbers attending but please note our intention is to use funds raised from our charge for this new provision to pay

for any extra staffing requirements as a result of having the provision (with surplus funds being used as mentioned above). If there are any questions, please pop in to the office and we will do our very best and answer them.

Parents Open Evening - teachers will be in their classes until 5.30 on Tuesday 12th July for parents to drop in if they wish to discuss their child's report, no appointment necessary.

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.

Eagles Trip to Cobblers Lane - a letter has now been sent home with Eagles children detailing their upcoming trip to Cobblers Lane Primary on Monday 11th 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

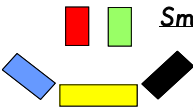
Please support our summer fair on Saturday. It starts at 12 noon, there will be BBQ, tea & cakes, cocktails, amazing raffle prizes donated by local businesses, fun & games for all the family and our first ever dog show! Enter your dog - the show starts at 3pm followed by 'Smeatons Got Talent' in the hall at 4pm.

We have 5 or 6 Mum's that work hard to put the Summer & Christmas Fairs together, but we need more help. If you can help us on the day we would really appreciate it, just come from 1.30pm and I am sure we can find you a job. If you can't help us set up or man a stall, then please come and spend on the day as we need funds for much needed resources for OUR children.

Thank you in advance.
Parents and friends

Raffle - raffle tickets are still 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 seen in the school office window.



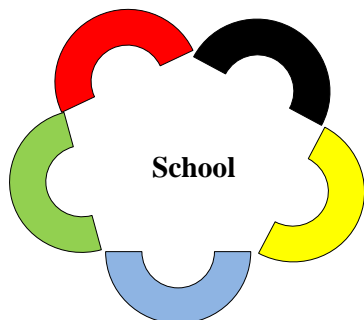
 **Smeatons Lucky Lottos** - Congratulations to June's winners;
1st prize - Ticket 108 - Liz Hall - prize £40.00
2nd Prize - Ticket 198 - Rollover to next month - prize £30.00
3rd Prize - Ticket 49 - Rianne Norton - prize £5.00
Cash prizes are awaiting collection from the school office. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 6 Leavers - Olivia and mum Vicky have provisionally booked places for all 15 Year 6 pupils to meet at Xscape for an exciting leavers do on 15th July. Details and menu's have been sent home this week, but please let them know if you can't make it as the table and activities will need to be amended. If you can make please make sure you have decided what you want to eat too!

Class Assemblies

STARFISH AND DOLPHINS- will be hosting their class assembly on Monday 11th July at 2.45pm.
EAGLES- on 21st July Eagles will be showcasing their talents in the leavers assembly.
RECEPTION GRADUATION - this will be at 9am on Tuesday 19th July. Year 1 parents, carers and grandparents are also welcome.

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.



1. Leadership: Further develop middle leader's impact by sharing outstanding practice.

2. Challenge: Encourage challenge and mastery in Maths, 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.

Small Freezer/Gazebo - 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.

After School Clubs - there will be no after-school classes with Sue the first week back in September, but they will be running from 12th September as per the schedule on our website. Don't forget to get your names down for her new art club too!



Rio Update - all the children have made excellent progress for our 'Walk to Rio' challenge. So far they have accumulated 3502 miles - we are now parallel with Sierra Leone and two thirds of the way there!



Holiday Camp - Selby Leisure Centre will be running activity camps throughout the summer holidays. The camps start at 8:45am and run to 3pm with a variety of activities from swimming to football, rock climbing, bowling, adventure play, table tennis and junior gym. The camps are a great way to keep children entertained and active during the school holiday's. More information can be found via <http://www.selbyleisurecentre.org/active-camps/>

Race For Life - the weather finally let us have our day! Everyone did an amazing job and parents and friends alone raised £25.00 through the sales of coffees, teas, and lollys. Thank you to everyone that donated and helped to cheer on the kids. And as ever a big thank you to Parents and Friends for providing refreshments and raising money for the school.

Attendance - Whole School Attendance to date - 96.14%
(Attendance is calculated up to and including the previous Friday)

w/c 27/06/2016	
Whole school	93.24%
Starfish	94.07%
Dolphins	90.00%
Lions	94.85%
Eagles	92.14%

Kind Regards,
Mrs J Maltby

Important dates for your diary

Collective Worship with Fr Adrian	2 nd Tuesday of each month at 1pm
Year 3 swimming lessons	Fridays 2-3pm
Eagles Trip to Cobblers Lane Primary	Monday, 11 th July 2016
Starfish and Dolphins class assemblies	Monday, 11 th July 2016 @ 2.45
Parents Open Evening	Tuesday, 12 th July 2016
Lions Trip to Headingley	Thursday, 14 th July 2016
Reception Graduation	Tuesday, 19 th July 2016
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	Thursday, 21 st July 2016
Last day	Friday, 22 nd July 2016