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Date: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### Upcoming Sports Trips

Date	Class	Event	Location
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Dolphins	Cricket	Askern Cricket Club

**PLEASE BE AWARE THE CRICKET COMPETITIONS END AT 3PM, SO CHILDREN WILL NOT BE BACK TO SCHOOL UNTIL 3:15. PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO COME AND CHEER THE CHILDREN ALONG – EVENTS START AT 1PM 😊**

**Breakfast Club** – unfortunately Miss Sheen is still unwell and we have had to close Breakfast club for the remainder of the school year. We thank you for your understanding.



**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.

**Dolphins Trip** – on 11<sup>th</sup> July, our Dolphins will be visiting Ledston to do some countryside learning. A letter has been emailed out and sent home. A copy is available on our website also. Packed lunches will be prepared in school for those who returned their forms, but everyone else will need to bring a lunch from home.

**Jubilee books** - the government have funded for children in Primary School to access a book all about the Queen's Jubilee. Each family will receive a copy of this today.

**Reports** - Reports will be sent out today, well done children for your hard work over the past year.

**Reception parent information session**- All parents of children who start Reception in September 22 are invited to join us on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm in the hall. We hope you can join us.

**Summer fair** - Thank you to all the volunteers who made the Summer fair a huge success, a total of £818.22 was raised. The school is blessed to have so many willing parents, carers, grandparents and extended family members to support the school. Thank you to all those that came and enjoyed the afternoon. A massive thank you to our Parents and Friends also – they have worked non-stop for the past few months to make this happen – you're all incredible!

**Sports Day** – we've tallied up the money raised by Parents and Friends on Sports Day, and we raised £160.00! Thank you to everyone.

Let God's love shine as we care for each other and learn together.

**Staffing for next year** - Please see the staffing for next year. We have made a few changes and have secured Miss Hallwood who will be starting with us in January 2023. Mrs Douglas will be staying with us until December 2022. The children will be having a transition morning on Tuesday 12th July and will get to meet their new teachers.

Starfish	Mrs Douglas finishes in Dec 22.	EYFS lead	ECO council
	Miss Hallwood starts in January 23	EYFS lead, SENCO and Geography lead	ECO council
Dolphins	Mrs Jones Mrs Peart	Mrs Jones- English and PE lead Mrs Peart- Science and MFL lead	Mrs Jones- Sports and safety council Mrs Peart- Anti bullying council
Lions	Miss Ghent	Art, DT, History, Geography lead	Wellbeing council
Eagles	Mrs Holmes	Maths, RE, PHSE lead	School council

**Governors** - In September, there will be an election for 3 new governors, we are looking for two parent governors and 1 LA governor. Please see the list of skills that we would like to develop.

- Communication skills to further develop communication from governors to parents.
- Finance knowledge
- Flexibility within the school day to support the work in school.
- PE specialists.

**School Uniform** – for those wanting to order logoed school uniform for September, you can do so at <https://school-shop.co.uk/school/kirk-smeaton-ce-primary-school/>. To ensure delivery before September, orders must be placed by 29<sup>th</sup> July. Don't forget our new logo will be fully in force from September – please discard of any uniform with our old logo.

**FEAST Activities** - FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering loads of different activities for everyone to take part in. All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for children and young people on benefits-related Free School Meals. There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what's on at <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast>

**Immunisation** – NHSE are looking for feedback on the school immunisation service. If you would like to take part in the survey please visit the below by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=kp4VA8ZyI0umSq9Q55Ctv5vwpaXJw6JPgv2fiODak7dUNkdRWDY5VTg1Tk9IWE84TUtVSEZHVIRIWS4u>

**Absence** – when your child is unable to attend school, you must telephone or message via Arbor before 9:30 **EACH** day of their absence to report it. Please let the school office know by email, phone or Arbor– there are often delays where teaching staff cannot get this information to us straight away and we don't want to trouble parents contacting them unnecessarily.

**Where attendance falls below 96%, parents will be issued with an attendance letter. Persistent absence may result in a fine from your local authority, or even prosecution.**

Children with attendance less than 90% are missing more than 4 weeks of school each year, and across their time with us this can reach 1 full school year of absence, making it almost impossible to keep up with the work.

Attendance	Days Absent	
100%	0	Excellent
99%	1.9	
98%	3.8	
97%	5.7	Average
96%	7.6	
95%	9.5	
94%	11.4	Below expected national standard
93%	13.3	
92%	15.2	
91%	17.1	
90%	19	

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### Important Diary Dates

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Dolphins Trip to Ledston  
New Reception Transition Morning  
Dolphins Cricket @ Askern CC  
Reception information session for parents  
Reception Graduation 9:15-10:30  
Y6 Trip to Xscape  
Y6 Parent Lunch  
Leavers Assembly 14:00  
School Closes  
School Opens

### 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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Dolphins: Amy Maughan 07921 920 140

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