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Date: Friday, 9th October 2020

COVID

Risk Assessment – our risk assessment has been updated and is attached to the newsletter. Please have a good read through it – new items are highlighted.

Illness or symptoms of COVID- If your child is under the weather or is showing symptoms of COVID, please follow the guidance on our website. Please contact school if you need to discuss any symptoms and we are happy to assist. If your child is off school while awaiting a test, please let us know if a test has been administered and where you are in receiving results. Children can access work from Oakwood national academy, we ask that children access this from the day they are off and additional class work maybe given if needed, please send completed work to the class teacher either through dojos for Lions and Dolphins, tapestry for Starfish and the admin email for Eagles. Please send work to us daily so we can give feedback.

Test & Trace – the NHS have launched their Test & Trace app, available for download by anyone over the age of 16. More information can be found on our website <http://www.kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk/newsletters-news/covid/>

Hand sanitiser- Please speak to your child about the importance of hand sanitiser and how to use it safely. In the school day we encourage the children to use the sanitiser when they come into school, after they have finished at playtime and after lunch. We wash hands thoroughly before we eat and after toileting. Please speak to your children about not touching their face where possible, but we all know this is extremely difficult to do.

Bookclub - Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!** Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/kirk-smeaton/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by October 31st, 2020**

Harvest Festival – Thank you to everyone who donated food for the Harvest Festival – it was collected by Pontefract Foodbank, they were so grateful for everything. We also raised a fantastic £89.50 for non-uniform, plus online donations done by some parents at home. This is incredible guys, thank you so much for your generosity.

Primary School Application – for those with children starting in Reception class from September 2021, applications open on 12th October, and close on 15th January 2021. Please remember that although your child may be in our nursery, you will still need to apply for a reception place via your home council. A letter from NYCC can be found under 'Notices' on our website with further details.



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.

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

Shoe Box Appeal – please remember to collect any shoe boxes and save them at home for this years shoe box appeal.

Pupil Survey – NYCC have issued a letter for parents and carers regarding a ‘Growing Up in North Yorkshire’ survey. Please take a minute to read through the attached letter.

IDL - IDL for Literacy and Number is up and running for all children in Dolphins, Lions and Eagles. It is a super programme as it is personalised to your child's level. Please send some time with your child to sign in and have a go at the lessons. If there are any issues, please let the teacher know.

Governor Vacancy - We are looking for a new co-opted governor. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, please see the paperwork attached.

Reminders

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

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

Useful Contacts

School Office: 01977 620 497
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After School Club: 07940 111 816

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

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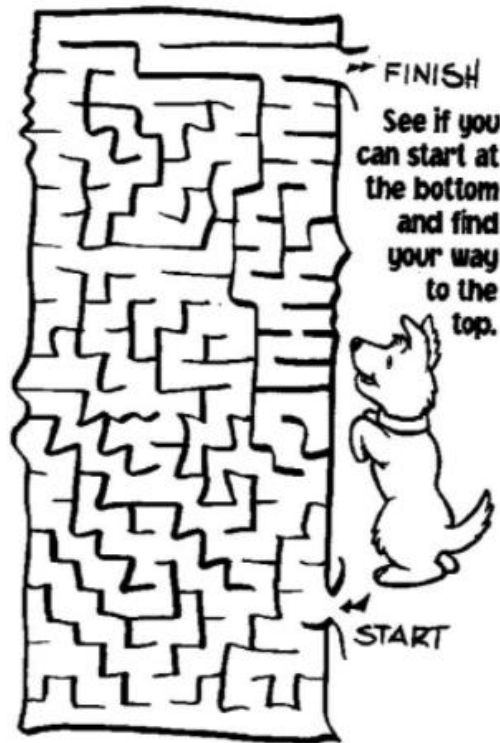
Important Diary Dates

Friday 23rd October
Monday 2nd November
Thursday 5th November
Friday 6th November
Friday 13th November
Friday 11th December
Friday 18th December
Thursday 4th March
Friday 19th March
Monday 22nd March

School Closes
School Opens
Hot Dog Dinner
Wear It Blue Non-Uniform
Children In Need Non-Uniform
Christmas Jumper Day
School Closes
World Book Day
Comic Relief Non-Uniform
World Down Syndrome Awareness Day – Wear Odd Socks

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