



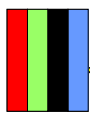
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Date: Friday, 10th November 2017



**2018 Residential** – sign up for next years residential to Bewerley Park has now closed, and the full balance is available for payment on parentpay. This can be paid in installments but the balance must be paid in full by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Transport is yet to be arranged but we will notify you of the price and set this up

**Be Informed** as soon as possible.

**Parents Evening** – this year our parents evenings will be taking place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November for all classes. Sign up sheets are available in each class, but if you are unable to make it into school to sign up please contact the office and we will arrange a suitable appointment.

**Starfish Explorers** – if your child is hoping to join our nursery from January, please join us for a transition afternoon on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November, from 2-3pm. If you are able to make it please confirm with the school office.

**Collective Worship** – we would like to invite parents to join us on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 14:15 for collective worship in the school hall. Please note this is not a performance by any particular children or classes, but rather a celebration of our school ethos and Christian values. The service will last approximately 20 minutes, after which we ask children remain in school until 15:30 as normal.

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**Dolphins Trip** – on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November, our Dolphins will be visiting Campsmount to take part in a tag rugby tournament. The children will leave school just after 9am and be back in time for lunch as normal. A letter has been sent home this week with further details. If you have any queries please get in touch.



**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 Kindle. We are quite a way from our goal number of people signing up so please sign up as soon as you can.

**Bags 2 School** - we have arranged a collection on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November, and bags have now been sent home. If you are thinking of having a clear out ready for Christmas please consider saving any clothes to donate for us. For a full list of items you can donate please see <http://uk.bag2school.com/what-we-collect> .

**SIAMS** – whilst results will not be available just yet, we would like to say thankyou to all parents and children who supported us during our inspection this week, and for taking time to speak to the inspector.

**Sports Consent** – recently, a letter was sent home regarding annual consent for local sporting trips. This covers various events held at Campsmount across the school year, such as tag rugby, football festivals and multi-skills. You will receive details of each individual trip at least 1 week in advance, though we have asked for consent in advance to save time spent by parents and administration dealing with paperwork. If you have yet to hand back to the office please do so as soon as possible. Alternatively if you have any queries please let us know.

**Eureka Trip** – on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December, our Starfish and Dolphins will be visiting Eureka. A letter has been sent home this week with further details. Please remember to send in your sandwich choice form to the school office, and give payment and consent on parentpay. If you have any queries please contact the school office.

**Starfish Invitation** – Starfish parents are invited to join in with a ‘Can’t you sleep little bear?’ activity morning. There will be den building, story time, and hot chocolate. Come dressed in your comfy pajamas and wellies from 9:30 on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November. If you are able to make it please let the school office or Miss Ghent know.

**School Access** – please can we remind all visitors and parents to enter school via the main entrance. The back door is for staff use and emergencies only.

**Non Uniform Day** – on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding a non-uniform day to support 2 great causes. The first, Save the Children, and the second our very own Eco club who are hoping to raise enough funds to buy litter pickers, high-viz jackets, timers and badges. The theme is Christmas jumpers, and we ask for a £1 donation from all children – proceeds will be split 50/50.

**Christmas Dinner** – our wonderful kitchen team will be preparing Christmas dinner for our pupils on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. If your child normally brings a packed lunch but would instead like a Christmas dinner, please let the school office know no later than Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

**Healthy Eating** - Please remember that we encourage children to bring healthy snacks and packed lunches into school rather than crisps and chocolate. As part of a Government Scheme, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided with a fruit or vegetable snack for morning break. Children in other years are encouraged to bring in their own fruit or healthy snack from home.

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**Thank you** – a big thank you from Lions class to all the parents and grandparents for their fab attendance and positively supporting the pupils in their learning at our chocolate celebration. They thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.



**Reception New Starters 2018** – if your child is due to start in reception from September 2018, remember the deadline for getting applications in is January 15<sup>th</sup> 2018, and applications must be made to your home authority. Don't forget, that even if your child is currently enrolled in our nursery, you will still need to go through the application process for starting in Reception class.

**Christmas Fair** – this year we will be hosting the Christmas Fair on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November from 12pm . On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November we invite all children to come in non-uniform and ask for a donation of a prize for the tombola stand. Thankyou in advance.

**Photos** – individual photos have been sent home this week – all orders must be handed back to the school office by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

**Shoebox Appeal** – if you would like to donate towards this years Shoebox Appeal, you can find instructions and options at <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> . Here you can read about the project, donate prepacked boxes, or find out how to create and donate your own gift.

**Bookclub** – this terms bookclub leaflets have now been sent home. If you would like to place an order, please complete the form within and send with cash or cheque (made payable to 'Kirk Smeaton School') by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Please note on the form if the order is a Christmas present so the books are not given directly to your child.

### **2018/2019 Term Dates**

#### **Open**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**(Also closed Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday)**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

#### **Close**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

#### **Staff Training Days (School closed)**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

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### **Important dates for your diary**

Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	Dolphins Tag Rugby at Campsmount
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> November @ 14:15	Collective Worship
Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2017	Parents Evening
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2017	Parents Evening
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2017	Non Uniform Day (Christmas Tombola Prize Donations)
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2017 @ 14:00-15:00	Transition Afternoon for January Explorers
Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2017 @ 12:00-15:00	Christmas Fair
Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	Bags 2 School Collection
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Christmas Service In Church
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 @ 14:00	EYFS Nativity
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 @ 14:00	KS1 Nativity
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Non Uniform Day (£1 donation, Christmas jumper theme)
Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	KS2 Christmas Carol Singalong in School Hall
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 @ 15:45	Y5 and Y6 SATS Parent Info Session
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2018 @ 15:45	Y2 SATS Parent Info Session
Tuesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 @ 15:45	Y1 Phonics Parent Info Session

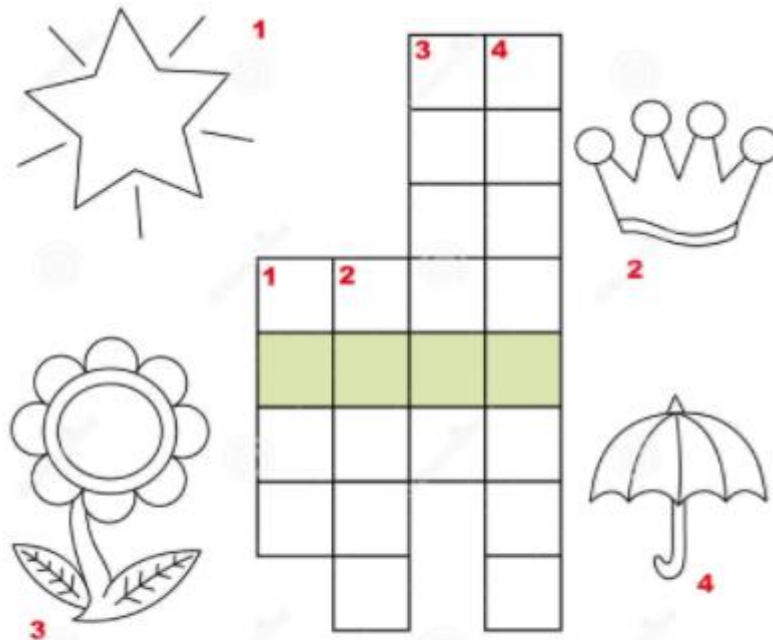
### **St Martin's Church, Womersley**

Saturday, 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	Early, early Christmas Market
Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2017 @ 19:30	Carols By Candlelight
Saturday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2017 @ 15:00	Crib Service
Sunday, 24 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 @ 23:00	First Mass of Christmas

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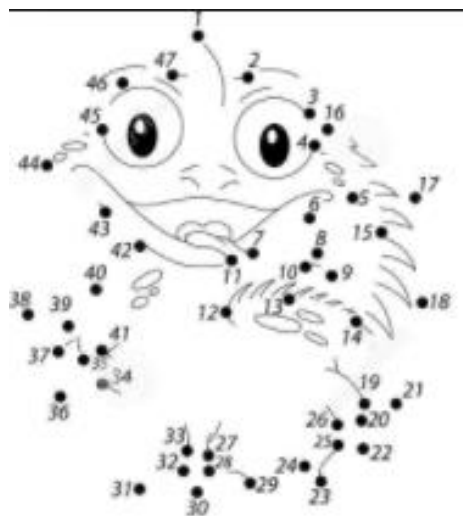
## Crossword



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