



Kirk Smeaton Church of England Primary School
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Date: Friday 12TH May 2023



After School Clubs – Summer Term 1

Day	Club	Time	Booking
Monday	Dodgeball	3:10-4:30	Debbie Drake 07879 687 847
Monday	Arts & Crafts	3:15-4:15	https://portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/4302
Tuesday	Campmount Games (held at Kirk Smeaton) – Starfish and Dolphins	3.10-4.10	Arbor (No charge)
Wednesday	Rugby	3:10-5:00	Debbie Drake 07879 687 847

Sports Competitions

Date	Event	Class	Timings	Notes
7 th June	Rounders	KS2	12:30-15:10	School bus late departure from Kirk Smeaton
14 th June	Rounders	Dolphins	12:30-14:30	
5 th July	Cricket	KS2	12:30-15:10	School bus late departure from Kirk Smeaton
12 th July	Cricket	Dolphins	12:30-14:30	

Year 6- Well done to all our Year 6's after their week of SAT's. You were all fantastic and we're so proud of each of you.

Being organised- we ask that all children bring their PE kits to school each week and to bring water bottles in to school daily and complete their homework each week.

Being organised with these things supports children to be organised and ready to learn, these are the skills they need for future life.

Residential – we have secured our Robinwood 2023 residential booking for 2nd – 4th October. Transport and the balance has been added to Arbor for all those children who signed up for the trip. Payments can be made in instalments from £10, and payment in full must be received by 14th July.

Ice Creams – thank you to everyone that bought ice creams – we raised £66.50 and has been sent to <https://www.madewithhope.org/about>.

Parking – we are again seeing a rise in parking offenders around school. People continue to park on zig zags, bends and blocking pavements. As a reminder, where these incidents are seen, we will be forwarding details to the police and they may contact you. Please be mindful and park considerately – we have people with pushchairs and wheelchairs who need to be able to walk on our pavements safely, and children who should be able to cross the road without their views being obstructed.

May Fair – unfortunately we are having to cancel our May Fair this year as we are struggling with staffing the event. We are always looking for parents to support events within school, so if you have the time and interested in helping out, please let us know.

Swimming Lessons – in the Autumn term, our Lions (current Year 2 and 3's) will take part in swimming lessons at Adwick leisure centre. More information will be coming home shortly.

Starfish Trip – on 19th May, our Reception children will be heading out to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park. Please ensure payment and consent are made on Arbor prior to this. Our afternoon nursery will still be open as normal.

Girls Tennis Day – on 24th May, our Y3 girls will be taking part in a tennis workshop at Ackworth Quaker school. A bus will take them across after lunch, and they will return in time for home time as normal. Please ensure they have their PE kits in school with them.

Reception 2023 – this week we have sent Welcome letters home to our September Reception starters – we can't wait for you all to join us! The letter gave details on the children's upcoming transition morning so if you have not received this, please let us know.

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	

Important Diary Dates

NEW/UPDATED DATES IN RED

W/C 15 th May	Forest Schools Week
Thursday 18th May	School Dinner Special – BOOKINGS CLOSED
Friday 19 th May	Starfish Trip to YWP
W/C 22 nd May	Class Visits to Brockodale
Wednesday 24 th May	Y3 Girls Tennis Day at Ackworth Quaker School
Thursday 25 th May	Pentecost Church Service
Thursday 25th May	May Fair - CANCELLED
Friday 26 th May	Skipping Workshop
Friday 26 th May	School Closes
Monday 5 th June	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

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After School Club: 07521 952 373

Debbie Drake: 07879 687 847
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Mobile Library Dates

10 – 12 in the Shoulder Car Park

Tuesday 30th May
Tuesday 27th June
Tuesday 25th July
Tuesday 22nd August
Tuesday 19th September
Tuesday 17th October
Tuesday 14th November