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After School Club – our after school club is booking up fast, and places are allocated on a first come, first served basis. If your child has not been booked into afterschool club in advance, they will not be able to join in the fun! So please make sure you book a space if needed.

Be Informed

Booking forms for next half term have now been released. These can be collected from reception, or a copy emailed across at your request.

Ongoing Parking Problems - Parking continues to be an issue, particularly at the beginning and end of the day. We have no quick fix for this problem but by working together we can make sure it causes as few problems as possible. If you do need to come by car, could you please help us by trying to do the following,

- 1 - Please do not park in the car parking spaces on the school drive except in an emergency. This is particularly important in the morning as some parents who drop off at pre-school are causing significant problems for staff who need to park at this time.
- 2 - Park in the Shoulder of Mutton car park and walk up to the school to drop off or to collect children.
- 3 - If you arrive early and are waiting in your car, please switch off your engine to prevent excessive pollution. As well as being very bad for the environment, it can make it very unpleasant and unhealthy for those people who are walking to school.

We appreciate these requests may not be the most convenient solutions for individual parents but by working together we can ensure that people can park safely and create a healthy environment for the children and community.

School Dinner Outstanding Payments - We have now finished our 6th week of this half term and quite alarmingly there are still a high number of pupils who are still to pay for school dinners this half term. Unfortunately, School cannot subsidise school meals for this length of time and we therefore ask if you haven't already done so to log onto your parentpay account and make payment over the weekend. The amount outstanding for this half term is £95.00 or if your child only has meals on certain days the amount per meal is £2.50. Should you have any difficulty in paying or you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please pop in and speak to us in confidence.

Christmas Cards – your child should shortly be bringing home a beautiful Christmas Card designed by themselves (if you haven't already received it), with instructions on how to place any orders. If you do place an order, make sure you return the artwork to us by Monday 22nd October so we can send off to the printers. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Reception Admissions 2019 – if your child is due to start school from September 2019, please see the attached letter regarding the application process. Applications must be made to your home authority by 15th January 2019.

Starfish Explorers – we are currently at full capacity in Starfish Explorers for this term, but if you would like your child to be added to our waiting list, either for a new place or additional hours, please get in touch.

Illness – if your child is ill and unable to attend school, please remember to let the school office know by telephone by 9am on each morning of the absence. Notification by email will not be accepted. It is important to note also that if your child has been sick, they must stay off from 24hrs after the last bout, and 48hrs if they have diarrhoea.

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School Meal – on Monday 5th November there will be a special bonfire night themed meal instead of the usual choice. The dinner will consist of hot dogs, tomato sauce, potato wedges, beans and peas, followed by a ginger biscuit. If your child normally has a packed lunch, but would a school dinner, please let the school office know by Friday 19th October, and make a payment of £2.50 on parentpay if your child is not eligible for free school meals.

Snacks - more and more pupils are bringing in snacks for morning break. Whilst we don't have an issue with this we would encourage children to bring a piece of fruit. There seems to be an increase in the amount of high sugared/chocolate coated cereal bars brought into school. Children in Reception, Year 1 and year 2 do get fruit provided by school.

Bags 2 School - we have arranged a collection on Wednesday 28th November, and bags will be sent home at the beginning of November. 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>.



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

Christmas Dinner Day – our wonderful kitchen staff will be serving up a bountiful Christmas feast on Thursday 20th December. All children who normally have a school diner on a Thursday will automatically get this. If your child normally has a packed lunch but would like a school Christmas dinner, please let the school office know by Friday 30th November and make a payment of £2.50 on parentpay.

Packed Lunches – Nuts - In the interests of our pupils health and safety, can we please ask parents to refrain from putting nut products in their children's packed lunches where possible as there are some children in our school with Nut allergies We thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

Pantomime Trip – our wonderful team of Parents and Friends have arranged for all children in Reception and above to attend the Doncaster CAST Pantomime this year on Thursday 20th December. A letter has been sent home with full details (and a copy can be found on our website). There is no cost to you for this trip, but we do require your consent and ask that you return the complete slip by Friday 14th December.

Church Craft Fair – on Saturday 13th October, Kirk Smeaton church will be holding a craft fair from 11am to 3pm. There will be refreshments, stalls, and craft activities for the children.

Thank you - Thankyou to everyone who supported the tombola last Friday - we raised £125.00 for Air Ambulance!

Sports Trips – Please see below dates of our upcoming sports trips to Campsmount – a letter for each trip will be sent out closer to the time with full details. If you have not yet returned your consent slip please make sure you do so immediately. Can we also remind parents that on the day of your childs class trip, it is important that the children go straight into the classroom alone to get changed. Parents will be unable to come inside due to safeguarding issues – thank you for your understanding.

Date	Class	Event
Thursday 18 th October	Eagles	Basketball
Thursday 22 nd November	Dolphins	Tag Rugby
Thursday 29 th November	Lions	Tag Rugby
Thursday 6 th December	Eagles	Tag Rugby

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Campsmount – There will be a Year 5 and 6 open evening at Campsmount on Thursday 18th October from 4:30pm to 7pm. A flyer has been sent home today with further information.

Important Diary Dates

Thursday 18 th October 2018	Eagles to Campsmount (Basketball Tournament)
Friday 26 th October 2018	School Closes
Monday 5 th November 2018	School Opens
Monday 5 th November 2018	Bonfire School Dinner
Monday 19 th November 2018	School Photos
Wednesday 28 th November 2018	Bags 2 School Collection
Tuesday 11 th December 2018 @ 14:00	EYFS Nativity
Wednesday 12 th December 2018 @ 14:00	KS1 Nativity
Monday 17 th December 2018	Christmas Jumper Day - £1 donations please
Tuesday 18 th December 2018 @ 14:00	Christingle Service
Thursday 20 th December 2018	School Pantomime Trip
Thursday 20 th December 2018	Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 21 st December 2018	School Closes
Tuesday 8 th January 2019	School Opens

Church Dates

Saturday 13th October 2018

Craft Fair

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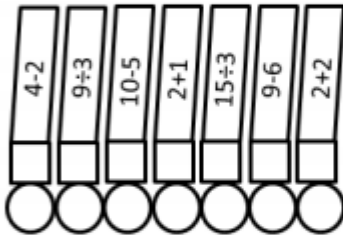
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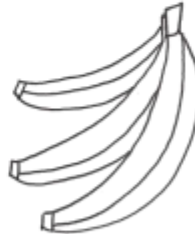
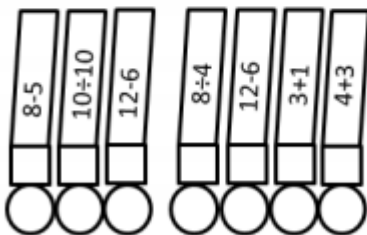
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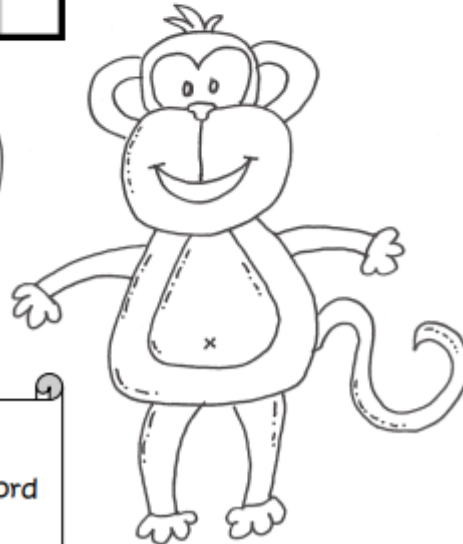
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