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Date: Friday, 14th January 2022

Sport Trips – we will be reducing team numbers going forward for our sports trips in line with Campsmounts Activity Rules, but we will try and keep things fair so that children can attend different events. Parents of those attending each event will be sent a letter prior to the event. We do ask however that all children in the class bring their PE kits in case of absences, so we can substitute. A list of our upcoming trips are below.

Date	Class	Event	Location
Wednesday 26 th January	Eagles (Year 6)	Athletics	Campsmount
Wednesday 9 th February	Dolphins	Gymnastics	Kirk Smeaton

Flu Vaccination – the team will be back in school on 17th January to immunise all those children who have handed in a consent form. Any children who have selected 'no' or not returned their forms, will not be vaccinated.



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.

Swimming- In the past we have taken Y4 children swimming for a term (this is the legal requirement). This year, due to Askern pool being closed we have taken the children to Adwick pool and they have the capacity to take Y3 and Y4 children together. Due to a full class being able to access swimming, this has reduced the cost of the school bus and has increased the Y3's water confidence.

We plan for children in Y3/4 to go one year and children in Y5/6 to go the following year and continue in a cycle so that children will access two blocks of swimming in key stage 2.

Children will focus on Level 2 skills and for children who have passed level 2 they will focus on advanced water skills in preparation for high school.

Sports Kit- we have a fabulous sports kit that has been designed by our young people. We have had some quotes and we are looking to purchase this kit. If you have any comments or can provide with sponsorship please let us know.



Staffing Update - We are very sorry to say that Mrs Alton will be leaving us on the 18th February. Mrs Alton has been with us in the EYFS since March 2021. Although she will finish her contracted hours with us, she will be working supply hours so we will see her in school from time to time. We would like to thank Mrs Alton for her work and support to Kirk Smeaton CE School.

We welcome Mrs Skyes to the Kirk Smeaton CE Team, Mrs Sykes will be supporting Eagles classroom from 28th February.

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

Bookclub – this terms bookclub has gone digital. Books can be browsed at <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/kirk-smeaton/digital-book-club> and orders placed too by Thursday 27th January. If you enter 'JANBOOKCLUB' at the checkout, you'll also receive 25% off!

Reception Meeting – Miss Ghent will be hosting a meeting on Zoom for our Reception parents on 21st January at 10am. A link has been sent to parents, but if you have any queries please get in touch.

Clubs – please be reminded that if you require a space in our Breakfast club, or after school club (with Miss Whittles) you must book a space, and re-book if necessary each half term. We will not carry forward any bookings. We ask that you also complete a booking form for each booking – email and phone requests will no longer be accepted.

Yazi – we had the wonderful Yazi in school this week to teach the children all about the Islam culture. They made chapattis, learnt about her life, religion and culture, and really had a fantastic day. She's been in touch to say how wonderful and welcoming the children and staff were and a big well done for their keen learning skills. For any children eager to hear her story again you can watch it at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHCFZWUYRx0> or buy the book from <https://www.amaali.co.uk/thelonelychapatti-yesmienbaghali> .

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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Important Diary Dates

Monday 17th January
Friday 21st January
Wednesday 26th January
Wednesday 9th February
Friday 18th February
Monday 28th February
Thursday 3rd March
Friday 18th March
Monday 21st March
Friday 25th March

Flu Immunisation
Reception Zoom Meeting @ 10am
Eagles Athletics @ Campsmount
Dolphins Gymnastics
School Closes
School Opens
World Book Day
Comic Relief
World Down Syndrome Awareness Day – Wear Odd Socks
Pupil Photographs

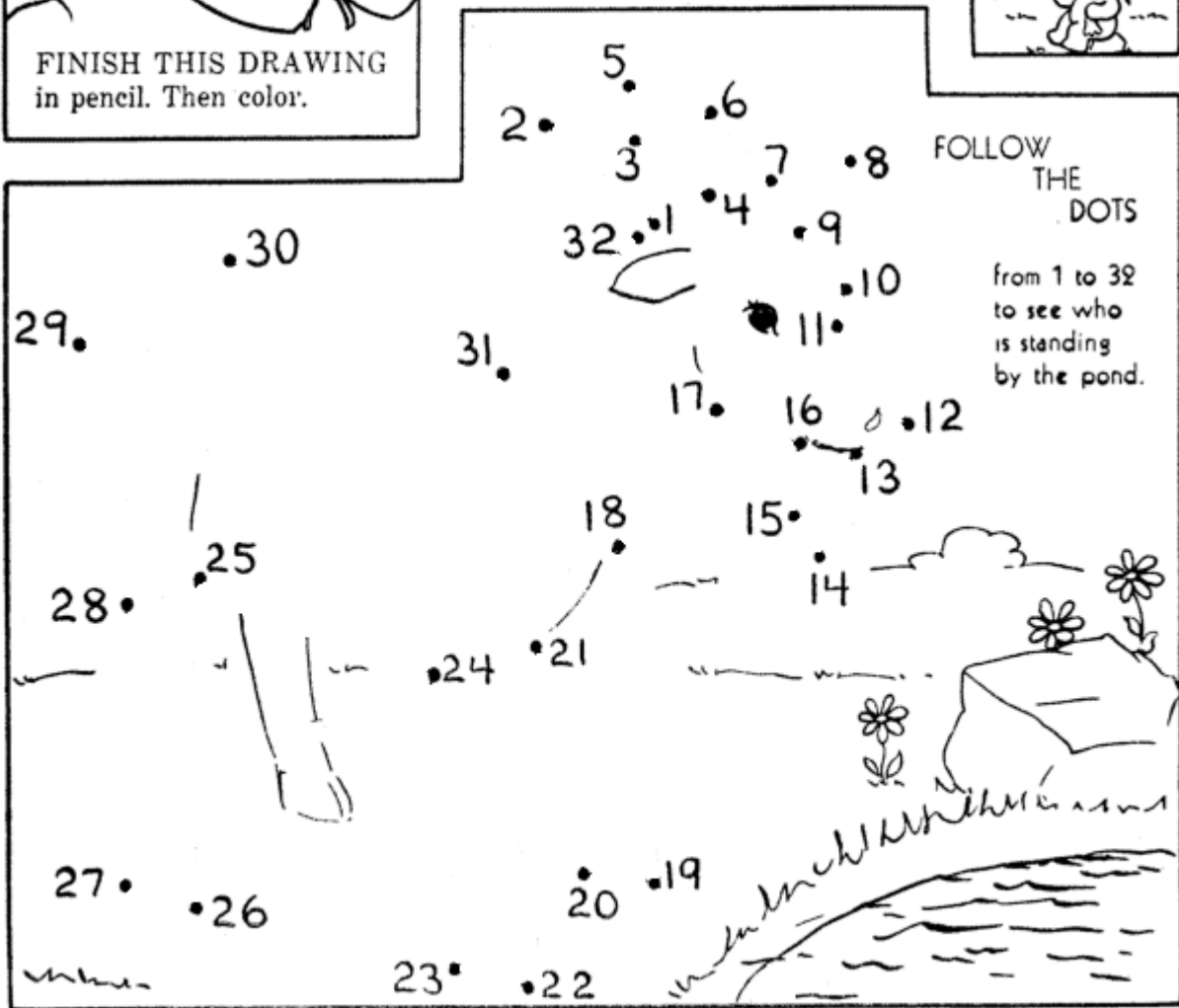
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