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Date: Friday, 16th October 2015

Dear parents/carers

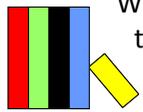
We have had a busy week in school; our focus has been to have a 'healthy mind and strive to be the best.' The children have really tried with this target and they were awarded 4 stars, a big well done to the children. Next week our target is to be supportive of others.

Thank you.

Mrs Cuddy

Thank you to all the parents that attended the assessment 2016 workshop, if you were unable to attend, please note that the information is on the school website.

School Photographs—Please remember school photographs are taking place on Tuesday, 3rd November (am).



We were hoping to have class photographs taken also but unfortunately the photographer doesn't have time in our allocated appointment. We do intend on booking another session for class photographs in the near future – watch this space!

Bonfire Themed Day—The school will be holding a bonfire themed day on 5th November, the day will be focusing on history, Art, DT and safety awareness. During the afternoon we will be selling

hotdogs for £1.

Lions Robinwood Visit—After all the planning, our 2nd Robinwood visit is finally upon us!

The coach doesn't leave until 10.00am and our guides will meet us at 12noon at the activity centre. Your child is welcome in school as normal at 9am or you may wish to bring them to school slightly later. Please ensure you arrive no later than **9.45am**.

If your child requires any prescribed medication, please bring the medicine in a clear named bag and ensure you complete a permission to administer form at the office.

The coach departs Robinwood on Tuesday, 20th October just after lunch so children will be ready to collect at normal school finishing time, 3.30pm.

Please ensure your child has their luggage label attached to their bag.

There is a souvenir shop at Robinwood but as this visit is only a one night stay, time may be very limited and we may not get chance to visit. However, if children would like to bring some spending money, we suggest between £5-£10 and if we get time that's all well and good!

As a reminder, those children not attending Robinwood are expected in school as normal.

Should you have any questions/concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Have a great time Lions!!

Lions Class Lesson On Tuesday, 3rd November (pm) we have a sheep visiting Lions class to assist us with our farming topic! (Thank you to Libby's mum in starfish class for helping us out with this!)

If for any reason you have concerns regarding this or your child has an allergy that we are unaware of, please let the office know. If we do not hear anything it will be presumed we have your consent for your child to be involved.

Starfish Class meetings—On Wednesday, 4th November at 2.30pm there will be an information meeting for all parents of year 1 children regarding phonics and maths.

On Wednesday, 11th November there will be another information meeting at 2.30pm for all parents of reception pupils regarding Tapestry, phonics and maths.

We do hope you can make it

Flu Vaccination for Children in Years 1 and 2—There are still a few outstanding flu immunisation forms. Please return them to the school office as soon as possible even if you have made the decision for your child not to be immunised. The immunisation will take place on Monday, 23rd November 2015.

Home School Agreement—Please ensure you read and sign the home school agreement in the front your child's planner.



Bikeability-This takes place next week. Your child will have brought a slip home earlier in the week giving details of which group they are in and which days they need their bike/helmet. If for some reason you did not get this slip, please email the office admin@kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk to check. As a reminder sensible clothes for cycling must be worn. This includes trainers and gloves if the weather is cool. We do ask that your child wears their school top please. Please also ensure a water bottle is brought to school as normal. All Children passed their Highway Code theory test – Well Done!



Parents & Friends – Fashion Show – We look forward to seeing you at tomorrow’s fashion show. Tickets are still available from the School Office or the Post Office. Doors open at 4.30pm with the fashion show starting at 5pm. Once again a huge thank you to Mel Campbell for organising this event and to all the Parent & Friend helpers who have given up their time to make this event happen.

Parents & Friends – A meeting will take place in the Shoulder of Mutton on Tuesday, 20th October at 8pm to discuss the Christmas Fair followed by the pub quiz at 9pm!! – Please come and support our fundraising and then help us win the quiz!!

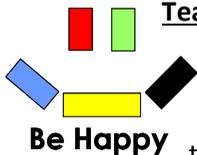
Wallpaper please! – If anyone has any spare rolls or end rolls of wallpaper could you kindly donate it to starfish class please!

Craft Session – If anyone is interested in holding a Christmas craft session with children, please let us know. We are also asking for donations of different coloured wool to make pom poms, picture frames and other craft items please!

Carols around the Christmas tree – I have attached a letter and also sent a paper copy home with details of our Carols around the Tree event. Please return the slips for the balloons as soon as possible. (All will become clear when you read the letter!)

Christmas card Competition – St Peters Church is holding a Christmas card competition and would like Children to design a front cover for a Christmas card on A4 paper. The idea is that the winning design is used for the cover of the parish magazine. Could we please have all entries by next Thursday and the winner will be announced on Friday.

Christmas Dates – Please see the important dates for your diary section at the bottom of the letter for information on certain Christmas events. There will be no KS2 play this year; instead we intend to hold a Christingle event. Further details will follow in due course.



Team points- All children have been placed in a team point group. The groups are; Yellow Centaurs, Blue Minotaurs, Red Dragons and Green Griffins. Each week the children are awarded points and they are counted on a Friday. The team with the highest score gets a cheer each week. At the end of the term the points are counted and the team with the most points will have a cinema afternoon in the Smeaton Centre. Good luck teams! There was a miscalculation last week, so these are the most up to date figures.

This week	Overall
Yellow Centaurs= 151	Yellow Centaurs= 473
Blue Minotaurs=137	Blue Minotaurs= 419
Green Griffins= 205	Green Griffins= 548
Red Dragons= 146	Red Dragons= 591



Attendance – Whole School Attendance **to date** – 97.30%

Congratulations to
Lions Class!

w/c 05.10.2015	
Whole school	94.83%
Starfish	96.24%
Dolphins	91.67%
Lions	96.36%
Eagles	93.10%

Mrs A Marner
Admin Officer

Important dates for your diary

Collective Worship with Fr Adrian	2 nd Tuesday of each month at 1pm (13/10/15)
Fashion Show	Saturday, 17 th October 5pm
Lions Class Residential	Monday, 19 th - 20 th October
Bikeability Group 1	Monday, 19 th & Tuesday, 20 th October
Bikeability Group 2	Wednesday, 21 st October & Thursday, 22 nd October
School photographs	Tuesday, 3 rd November 2015
Year 1 parent information session	Wednesday, 4 th November @ 2.30pm
Bonfire themed day (£1 hotdog)	Thursday, 5 th November 2015
Reception parents information meeting	Wednesday, 11 th November @ 2.30pm
Children in Need (dressing up day)	Friday, 13 th November 2015
Anti-bullying week	W/C 16 th November 2015.
Christmas fair (donations please!)	Saturday, 21 st November 2015
Flu Immunisations (Year 1 & 2)	Monday, 23 rd November 2015
KS1 Christmas Play -School Hall	10 th December @ 2.30pm
Carols around the Tree	11 th December 2015 @ 2.45pm
Christmas Service (St Peters Church)	17 th December 2015 @ 2pm

**St Peter's Church, Kirk Smeaton
invites you to**

Stepping Stones

Sunday, 1st November 2015 at 9.30 am
Theme: Life Cycles

A monthly group for children of primary school age

New members always welcome, we hope you can join us