



Kirk Smeaton Church of England Primary School
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Latest News

- We had our Teddy Bears Picnic – whilst the picnic was rained off, we managed a fun filled afternoon in the hall and raised £567. Thank you to everyone that came, donated, helped and supported – we are so grateful.
- Eagles visited a Crucial Crew event in York and learnt a lot of life saving tips
- Y6 had their leavers day at Xscape – bowling, trampolining and lunch. They also enjoyed a morning in Church celebrating their memories of Kirk Smeaton.
- Grass Roots Muddy Boots were back in school to deliver another week of Forest Schools – each class spent a day with the team enjoying the outdoors and cooking treats.

Arbor Reminders

- Swimming lessons – children in Lions class from September. Please make payment by 8th September.
- Robinwood transport and residential – please clear any balances before our return in September or your place on the trip may be compromised.
- Dinners – please clear any outstanding balances by 31st August. We also ask that dinners are paid in advance so please make sure that if your child is in Year 3 and above (and not eligible for free school meals) that you please top up your account before 5th September.

Thank you - Thank you for all the support, thank you's, cards and gifts parents have generously given.

Clubs – please see the attached sheet for clubs. Debbie's clubs must now be booked via Arbor – any queries about the club itself, please speak directly with Debbie. All clubs are now open and available on Arbor (or Creation Station) to book. Don't forget, on Fridays, our regular after school club will now close at 5pm.

Youth Club – unfortunately, the weekly youth club held in the school hall has lost some of it's funding for the next year, which sadly means they will no longer be able to hold their Monday club in Kirk Smeaton from August.

Good luck to all our Y6's leaving us for their next adventures at high school, it has been a joy to know you all and we wish you all so much luck and happiness.

Important Diary Dates ***NEW/UPDATED DATES IN RED***

Tuesday 5th September

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

School Office: 01977 620 497
admin@kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk

After School Club Emergency Line: 07521 952 373

Debbie Drake: 07879 687 847
Went Valley: 01977 621 521
Mrs Vizard: louisevizard@gmail.com

Mobile Library Dates

10 – 12 in the Shoulder Car Park

Tuesday 25th July
Tuesday 22nd August
Tuesday 19th September
Tuesday 17th October
Tuesday 14th November

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	