



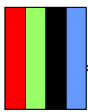
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2018 Residential – next years residential will be to Bewerley Park near Harrogate for 2 nights in June. A letter has been sent home with our current Year 3-6's who will be able to join us on this. There are only 13 places left so if you would like a place reserving please log on to parentpay where a deposit of £20 and consent can be given. If you have any queries please get in touch.

Lions Request - if any parents have a pressure washer we could borrow and, even better, if you have a free hour and wouldn't mind coming and using it for us? We're hoping to make Lions playground a more useable and engaging environment and we really need the help to revamp it - any help would be massively appreciated.

Eagles Trip – on Wednesday 18th October, our Eagles will be visiting Eden Camp. A letter has now been sent home with full details, and a copy can be found on our website. Please note all children will need to bring a packed lunch from home on the day. Consent and payment can be made via parentpay.

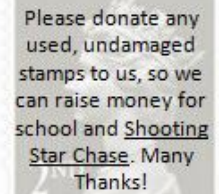


After School Provision - We are pleased to see our After School Provision being enjoyed by many pupils where they have been baking, gardening, making rockets to name but a few things! Invoices have been sent out for all those parents who have booked children in for this half term. Any additional bookings will be invoiced/added to next half terms invoice. With regards to payment, can I please ask that payment is made within 7 days of the invoice date. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or childcare vouchers. We are currently registered with Computershare Vouchers Services, Fideliti Childcare and

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Edenred. If you chose to pay by childcare vouchers please ensure you reference your payment as 'After School Club' as some parents use this facility for Nursery Payments. Also, if you use a different childcare voucher scheme other than those named above, please let me know and I'll register with them also. Thank you to those that have already made payment.

We are now taking bookings for next terms in-school after school club. If you would like a space reserving for your child, please complete the attached form, or speak to the school office by Friday 6th October.



Please donate any used, undamaged stamps to us, so we can raise money for school and Shooting Star Chase. Many Thanks!



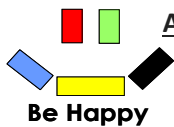
Harvest Festival - this years Harvest Festival will be split into 2 sessions for health and safety reasons. Our KS1 children (Starfish and Dolphins) will be in church from 2pm, and our KS2 children (Lions and Eagles) from 2:30pm.

Parents and carers are more than welcome to join us in church, and we kindly ask for donations of tinned/canned food for the food bank and fresh produce for the pubs auction.

Macmillan Afternoon - on Friday 6th October we will be holding a bake sale for the children during break time to raise money for Macmillan. Donations of buns and cakes would be greatly appreciated (nut free please). All treats will be 50p each. In the afternoon we would like to invite all parents/carers and grandparents to join us for more cake and coffee along with some songs by our wonderful pupils. We hope to see you there, and thank you in advance!

Dogs on School Premises - As a polite reminder and in the health & safety of all children, please do not bring dogs onto the School premises. We appreciate families like to drop off and pick up children with their family pet but please ask that you don't come beyond the green gate at the top of the school drive. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bookclub - this terms bookclubs leaflets have been sent home this week. Should you wish to place an order, please complete the order form and send into the school office with cash or cheque (made payable to 'Kirk Smeaton School') by Friday 29th September.



Absences - if you child has any medical / dental appointments during the school day please remember to let the school office know in advance, and where possible provide a copy of the appointment letter.

Art Club - After School Art Club will continue this half term on a Tuesday in the School Hall with Mrs Brierley until 5.30pm. As from next half term (w/c 30th October 2017) Art Club will take place on a Thursday for one hour only in the Community Room. Please contact Mrs Brierley for further information.

Sponsorship - one of our lovely Eagles is currently raising money for the 'Little Princess Trust' which provides real hair wigs for children suffering with hair loss. Her aim is to reach £300, at which point she will also be cutting off her hair to donate too! If you are able to sponsor her please nip into the school office where we have a donation box and sponsorship form.

PE Kits and Uniform - To avoid the continuous problem of lost/missing uniform and PE kits can we please ask you to ensure you put your child's names in all items of clothing.



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

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Flu Vaccine – this year the flu vaccine is being offered to all children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 and will be administered on 12th October. Rather than paper forms being sent home, all information and the consent form can be found online at

<https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/services/childhood-flu-programme/> . Please be sure to complete this by the end of September. When completing the form you will notice our school name does not appear in the drop down box, however if you scroll to the bottom of the box you can select ‘Other’ and then manually input ‘Kirk Smeaton’. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Non Uniform Day – on Friday 20th October we invite all children to come dressed in blue non-uniform to support Anti-Bullying. Donations of £1 per child will be greatly appreciated.

Universal Free meals - As a reminder, all Children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to the free universal school meals. This is a Government initiative which we are keen to support and therefore hopefully continue to receive. The aim is to improve academic attainment and save families money – over the course of a year the average family spends £437 on school lunches per child. We would like to encourage all pupils to have our hot nutritious meals which are cooked on the premises each day. If your child currently brings a packed lunch but would like to have school dinners, please let the office know.

Free School Meals - Income based free school meals are for families on low income or certain benefits. As Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Children are automatically entitled to free universal meals often parents don't apply for the income based meals. School does receive additional income for children on income based free meals and we would therefore encourage any families who this may apply to contact the office in confidence. Likewise if your child is in Year 3 or above and you think you may be entitled to free school meals, please enquire within.

School Dinner Payments - As a reminder for those who pay for school dinners they must be paid for in advance of each half term onto parentpay. If you haven't already paid for your child's meals this half term, please do so by Monday.

Kind Regards
Mrs Jay Maltby

Important dates for your diary

Monday, 2 nd October 2017 @ 14:00	KS1 Harvest Festival in Church
Monday, 2 nd October 2017 @ 14:30	KS2 Harvest Festival in Church
Friday, 6 th October 2017	Macmillan Afternoon
Thursday, 12 th October 2017	Flu Vaccine
Wednesday, 18 th October 2017	Eagles Trip to Eden Camp
Friday, 20 th October 2017	Non Uniform Day
Friday, 20 th October 2017	School Closes
Monday, 30 th October 2017	School Opens
Monday, 6 th November 2017	Pupil Photographs
W/C 20 th November 2017	Parents Evening
Monday, 11 th December 2017	Christmas Service In Church
Wednesday, 13 th December 2017 @ 14:00	EYFS Nativity
Thursday, 14 th December 2017 @ 14:00	KS1 Nativity
Wednesday, 20 th December 2017	KS2 Christmas Carol Singalong in School Hall

St Martin's Church, Womersley

Sunday, 8 th October 2017	Harvest Festival
Saturday, 18 th November 2017	Early, early Christmas Market
Friday, 22 nd December 2017 @ 19:30	Carols By Candlelight
Saturday, 23 rd December 2017 @ 15:00	Crib Service
Sunday, 24 th December 2017 @ 23:00	First Mass of Christmas

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