



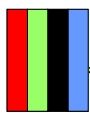
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Date: Friday, 24th November 2017



2018 Residential – sign up for next years residential to Bewerley Park has now closed, and the full balance is available for payment on parentpay. This can be paid in installments but the balance must be paid in full by Friday 1st June. Transport is yet to be arranged but we will notify you of the price and set this up as soon as possible.

Staff Update – we are delighted to announce that Mrs Cuddy will be having a baby in April. The governors are currently looking at options for her maternity cover, and we will update you all as soon as we have more details.

Bags 2 School - we have arranged a collection on Thursday 30th November, and bags have now been sent home. 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> .

Eureka Trip – on Friday 1st December, our Starfish and Dolphins will be visiting Eureka. A letter has been sent home this week with further details. Please remember to give payment and consent on parentpay if you haven't already done so. If you have any queries please contact the school office.

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Collective Worship – thank you to everyone who attended our collective worship on Monday. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. This will be taking place weekly on Mondays at 14:15 in the school hall, with the exception of Monday 11th December. Please remember this is not a performance by any particular children or classes, but rather a celebration of our school ethos and Christian values. The service will last approximately 20 minutes, after which we ask children remain in school until 15:30 as normal.

Christmas Fair

Saturday 25th November 12-3

- Games
- Mulled Wine
- Tombola
- Hot Drinks
- Xmas Crafts
- Hot Sandwiches
- Raffle
- A Visit From Santa

And Much More!



Please come, have some fun and support our school.

Posada in Kirk Smeaton 2017.

What is it?

Posada is Mexican for “inn or shelter”.

Spanish families use Advent to think about the journey Mary and Joseph took to Bethlehem, and how they had difficulty finding anywhere to stay.

We have enough sets of knitted figures for each class at school to celebrate Posada.

What happens?

After an introductory Assembly on November 29th, children will be encouraged to sign up for one night during December to host Mary and Joseph. They will be passing on a bag containing the figures, information sheet, a story book, Carol Sheets and game to play. The Marys and Josephs will then join us in church on Christmas Eve at the 9:15a.m. children’s service where they will be welcomed to share the story of their journey with us all.

Starfish Invitation – Starfish parents are invited to join in with a ‘Can’t you sleep little bear?’ activity morning.

There will be den building, story time, and hot chocolate. Come dressed in your comfy pajamas and wellies from 9:30 on Tuesday 28th November. If you are able to make it please let the school office or Miss Ghent know.

Artwork – our pupils have been working on some fabulous artwork, and these will be available to purchase for £5 per piece at our Christmas Fair on Saturday, or via the school office.

Non Uniform Day – on Friday 15th December, we will be holding a non-uniform day to support 2 great causes. The first, Save the Children, and the second our very own Eco club who are hoping to raise enough funds to buy litter pickers, high-viz jackets, timers and badges. The theme is Christmas jumpers, and we ask for a £1 donation from all children – proceeds will be split 50/50.

Bookclub – this term’s bookclub leaflets have now been sent home. If you would like to place an order, please complete the form within and send with cash or cheque (made payable to ‘Kirk Smeaton School’) by Friday 1st

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December. Please note on the form if the order is a Christmas present so the books are not given directly to your child.

Christmas Dates

| Class | Date | Time | Event |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| Starfish and Dolphins | Monday 11 th December | 13:30 | Christmas service in church |
| Lions and Eagles | Monday 11 th December | 14:30 | Christmas service in church |
| Starfish and Starfish Explorers | Wednesday 13 th December | 14:00 | Nativity |
| Dolphins | Thursday 14 th December | 14:00 | Nativity |
| Lions and Eagles | Wednesday 20 th December | 14:00 | Christmas carol singalong |

Thankyou – a big thankyou to everyone who donated towards Children In Need – we raised £87.20! Also, thankyou to everyone who sent in prizes for the Christmas Fair tombola and raffle – we now have lots of yummy, fizzy and fun things up for grabs.



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.



Reception New Starters 2018 – if your child is due to start in reception from September 2018, remember the deadline for getting applications in is January 15th 2018, and applications must be made to your home authority. Don't forget, that even if your child is currently enrolled in our nursery, you will still need to go through the application process for starting in Reception class.

Shoebbox Appeal – if you would like to donate towards this years Shoebbox Appeal, you can find instructions and options at <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>. Here you can read about the project, donate prepacked boxes, or find out how to create and donate your own gift.

School Uniform – Please remember that when a warmer PE kit is needed, such as tracksuit bottoms or sweatshirts, these are still required to be school colours (black trousers and red tops).

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.

Golden Mile – this year, each class will be doing their best to run / walk a mile of the school field each day (per child). Our aim is to see how far around the world we can reach before we break up for the summer. So far we have completed 150 miles meaning we are currently in the middle of the Irish Sea!



Sports Trips – Lions will be visiting Campsmount on Monday 27th November, and Eagles on Monday 4th December to take part in tag rugby tournaments. Each trip will leave school just after 9am, and be back in time for lunch as normal. Letters have already been sent home with further details. Provided there is no rain, both events will take place outdoors so remember to bring suitable PE kit (in school colours). If you have any queries please get in touch.

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Multi-Sports and Football Clubs

PLACES AVAILABLE - BOOK FAST

YOU ARE ABLE TO BOOK YOUR CHILD AT ANY TIME.

TUESDAYS

MULTI-SPORTS (1hour)

AGES 5 - 11yrs

3.30-4.30pm

£4 (1 HOUR)

WEDNESDAYS

FOOTBALL (1 or 2 hours available)

AGES 5 – 11yrs

3.30 – 4.30pm or 5.30pm

£4 (1HOUR) or £8 (2 HOUR)

CLUBS ARE RUN BY COACH CLAYTON

TO BOOK:

ADD YOUR NAME AT RECEPTION or TEXT MULTISPORTS / FOOTBALL and CHILDS NAME/AGE TO 07977253693

Important dates for your diary

Saturday, 25th November 2017 @ 12:00-15:00

Monday, 27th November 2017

Tuesday, 28th November 2017 @ 09:30

Thursday, 30th November 2017

Monday, 4th December 2017

Monday, 11th December 2017 @ 13:30

Monday, 11th December 2017 @ 14:30

Wednesday, 13th December 2017 @ 14:00

Thursday, 14th December 2017 @ 14:00

Friday, 15th December 2017

Wednesday, 20th December 2017 @ 14:00

Tuesday, 16th January 2018 @ 15:45

Tuesday, 23rd January 2018 @ 15:45

Tuesday, 30th January 2018 @ 15:45

Christmas Fair

Lions Tag Rugby at Campsmount

Starfish Activity Morning

Bags 2 School Collection

Eagles Tag Rugby at Campsmount

KS1 Christmas Service In Church

KS2 Christmas Service In Church

EYFS Nativity

KS1 Nativity

Non Uniform Day (£1 donation, Christmas jumper theme)

KS2 Christmas Carol Singalong in School Hall

Y5 and Y6 SATS Parent Info Session

Y2 SATS Parent Info Session

Y1 Phonics Parent Info Session

Monday, 18th December 2017 @ 18:00

Sunday, 24th December 2017 @ 21:15

St Peters Church, Kirk Smeaton

Carol Service

First Communion of Christmas

Friday, 22nd December 2017 @ 19:30

Saturday, 23rd December 2017 @ 15:00

Sunday, 24th December 2017 @ 23:00

St Martin's Church, Womersley

Carols By Candlelight

Crib Service

First Mass of Christmas

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Wordsearch



- Apple
- Banana
- Carrot
- Cucumber
- Fruit
- Fun
- Healthy
- Pear
- School
- Snack
- Strawberry
- Sugarsnap
- Sun
- Tomato
- Vegetable

Maze



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