



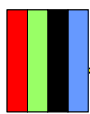
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Date: Friday, 26th January 2018



2018 Residential – sign up for next years residential to Beverley 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 has now also been arranged and is also available for payment on parentpay.

Mrs Maltby - Maternity Leave - Mrs Maltby will be leaving us for a while at the end of today to begin her Maternity leave. Mrs Bainbridge will be covering Mrs Maltby's post in the front reception during her absence.

I'm sure you will all join us in wishing Mrs Maltby an enjoyable and exciting time with her new baby and we look forward to her popping in in the near future to introduce her bundle of joy.

SATS Information – if any of our Y2, Y5 or Y6 parents were unable to make the parent information sessions, a copy of the presentations can be found on our website. If you have any further queries please direct to the class teachers.

Lions Outing - As part of our 'Wildlife Watch' topic this half-term we will be taking part in the RSPB Big Schools' Birdwatch on Wednesday 31st January. Could the children in Lions class please make sure they have a warm coat

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and walking boots/wellies as we will be taking a stroll down to the valley. Binoculars optional! The results will be added to a national survey. <https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-teachers/schools-birdwatch/>
It's the Big Garden Birdwatch this weekend (27-29th January) if you would like to take part at home.

Policies - Please see the attached reviewed policies for collecting children from school and parents conduct policy, please note there are some changes.

After School Club – booking forms for next half-terms after school club are now available from the school office. If you would like a copy sent home please let us know.

Parking - Thank you to those parents who always park safely and take an active part of keeping everyone safe by asking others to move their cars if they are parked dangerously. Please be aware that if you park in a dangerous place, your registration will be noted and repeat offenders will be reported.

Telephone Calls – please note that if you ring the school after 4.30pm, our after school club will answer. If your call is not urgent, please call after 6pm where a voicemail can be left, or from 8:30am to speak to a member of the team.

Starfish Explorers – booking forms for next half-terms Starfish Explorers have now been sent home with our current pupils. Please return these by Friday 1st February to guarantee your place. If your child turned 3 before 9th January 2018 and you would like them to start with us in our nursery, please contact the school office.

Swimming Lessons – these will commence each Friday afternoon from 20th April for our Year 3's. A letter has now been sent home and the transport cost has been set up on Parentpay where consent can also be given.



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.

Mrs Marners Macmillan Fundraiser - Team Paris Challenge - Those of you who know me probably know I love cycling and have been out on my bike recently come wind, rain, sleet and even hailstone! - The reason for this is a challenge I'm taking part in at the beginning of April along with 11 other members hoping to raise £10,000 for Macmillan Cancer Care. We will set off on Friday 6th April and cycle from Pontefract to Paris in 2 days (420 miles) on Sunday 8th April some of us will then run the Paris Marathon and we will then cycle back to Pontefract over the next 2 days. A total of 840 miles on a bike and run a marathon in 5 days. Whilst this is a really tough challenge it's nowhere near as tough as what our friends are going through. Please see the link for the full story. <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/chris-strutt3>
We also have a facebook page **Team Paris Challenge** if you would like to follow us and our story.

Forest School Donations – we are currently looking for donations of kitchen roll holders to make into bird feeders as part of our Forest School afternoons with Ms Wolff – if anyone has any spares please bring them in. The children have made two nesting boxes at Forest Schools to put up in the grounds to attract the Spring birds, and they are making nesting material holders for the birds and a bird cafe. It is the RSPB Big Bird Watch this weekend 27-29th January if anyone wants to get involved the link is:
https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/?channel=paidsearch&gclid=EAlaIqObChMIq_HZhM_y2AIVybftCh2njgsDEAAAYASAAEg_LpEvD_BwE

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Nursery Transition Days – we would like to invite those children starting in nursery with us in Easter and September to transition afternoons, giving them a chance to meet their teachers and fellow pupils.

- 22nd March 13:30 – 15:00 – transition for those starting after Easter
- 12th July 13:30 – 15:00 – transition for those starting in September

Invitations will be sent out shortly to those who have already registered their children, but if you would like to join us please contact the school office for more information.

Green Tree Award - The children have decorated a special tree with decorations that they have made themselves and by writing what they know and love about trees on strips of material and tying them to the tree. Children from Lions Class have made some lovely contributions of poetry, pictures and decorations that they have done in their own time. This will get us the last 2 points towards our silver Green Tree Award from the Woodland Trust. To gain bronze and towards silver we have: visited a wood, sent in our pictures and words about trees to The Woodland Trust, held 'The Man Who Planted Trees' assembly, completed a survey and planted 30 saplings in the school grounds. We will be working towards our Gold award by displaying these pictures in school and hopefully the school will become a Green Tree ambassador.



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 702 miles.

Forest Schools Holiday Club – Miss Wolff will be running a half term holiday club in February, please note this will be at Knaresborough as the local site is closed. For more information or to book your child in please contact Sally direct on 07904214006 or sally@grassrootsmuddyboots.com

Complete Sports SOCCER CUBE - Holiday Course

3 days of Soccer activities including tournaments, team building games & awards.

Open to boys and girls 4-12yrs

Kirk Smeaton School
Mon 12 - Weds 14 Feb
10am - 3pm
£50.00 Full 3 days
£90.00 2 children
Or £20.00 per day

To book - TEXT
Kirk Smeaton / Holiday / Childs name & Age
To 07977253693
Book fast only 25 places available

Important dates for your diary

Tuesday, 30 th January 2018 @ 15:45	Y1 Phonics Parent Info Session
Wednesday, 31 st January 2018	Lions Outing to the Valley
Thursday, 22 nd March 2018 @ 13:30-15:00	Transition afternoon for nursery children starting after Easter
Wednesday, 28 th March 2018 @ 14:15	Easter Service in Church (Parents welcome)
W/c 14 th May 2018	KS2 SATS
Monday, 14 th May 2018 – Friday 25 th May 2018	KS1 SATS
Wednesday, 6 th June 2018	Information session for Reception and Nursery September intake
Monday, 11 th June 2018	Class Photos
Tuesday, 12 th June 2018	Y5 Campsmount transition morning
Tuesday, 26 th June 2018	Sports Day and Teddy Bears Picnic
Wednesday, 27 th June 2018 – Friday 29 th June 2018	Bewerley Park Residential
Friday, 29 th June 2018	St Peters Day
Tuesday, 3 rd July 2018	Reserve sports day
Wednesday, 11 th July 2018	Y6 Campsmount transition day
Thursday, 12 th July 2018	Y6 Campsmount transition day
Thursday, 12 th July 2018 @ 13:30-15:00	Transition afternoon for nursery children starting in September
Monday, 16 th July 2018 @ 14:30	Y6 Leavers Service in church

[St Peters Church, Kirk Smeaton](#)

Wednesday, 14th February 2018

Ash Wednesday

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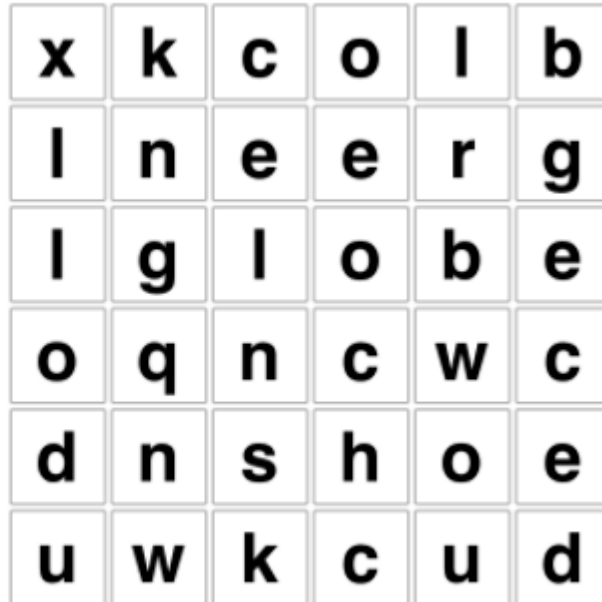
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Addition Colour By Numbers

- 6- Blue
- 7- Black
- 8- Purple
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