



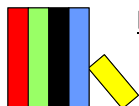
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Date: Friday 29th March 2019



Be Informed

Lost Property – a smart pen has been found on the school drive. If you believe this could be yours, please contact the school office to discuss. We have a large amount of lost property at the school office, please pop in have a look if you have lost something and always label every item of clothing your child has.

Recycling – we have teamed with The Recycling Factory to donate any used inkjet and toner cartridges, with money donated to the RSPB for every cartridge we send. If you have any from home that you wish to donate, please pass them to the school office. Thank you in advance.

Y1-6 outdoor learning and gardening – could parents please make sure they send their children in with wellies, waterproof coats and trousers on Wednesdays please as they will be taking part in outdoor learning and gardening with Sally Wolff. Please make sure these are old clothes that are ok to get dirty or paint on. As the weather gets warmer they will also need a sun hat and sun cream.

Helpers needed- if you would like to come along and help with gardening through the day while Sally Wolff is with us, please let the school office know.

Bun Sale – on Monday 8th April, some of our wonderful pupils will be hosting a bun sale after school, with all money raised being donated to Cancer Research. If you are able to donate any buns / cakes / treats etc, please bring them to the school office on the day. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. Thankyou in advance.

School Communications – please can we remind all parents and carers to ensure they keep us updated with contact information. If we do not have your current email address, phone numbers, or postal address we cannot be held accountable if you do not receive communications from us. As a further reminder, all information can be found on our website for those who do not receive emails. Our diary dates section has a list of all upcoming events and copies of letters, and we have a page dedicated to newsletters and various other attachments.

Tour de Yorkshire - as you will be aware, cyclists will be coming through Smeaton on Thursday 2nd May. The times are yet to be confirmed, but we think it should be between 10-1pm. As soon as we have the days schedule we will update you as to our plans as a school.

Contractors on site - During the Easter Holidays roofing contractors will be on site removing and replacing a roof. The area where the works are being carried out is around the back of the school near the Early years playground. Whilst we appreciate the school grounds are sometimes accessed by children during the holidays, can you please make sure children are aware of this and if they do need to access the playground to do so with extreme care and with an adult. The works will be cordoned off but there will be contractors moving around the site from the top of the school drive all the way around to the back of the school.

Swimming Lessons - Swimming Lessons commence on Friday, 5th April 2019 for Year 3 children (with the exception of those who opted out due to already holding their 25m certificate) and the year 4 children whose parents were contacted. Lessons take place every Friday afternoon until the end of the summer term in July so please ensure your child has their kit every Friday. Boys must wear swimming trunks or tight fitted swimming shorts and girls must wear a one piece swimming costume (no bikinis).

There are still quite a lot of transport payments outstanding. Please ensure these are paid on parentpay before lessons commence.

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Road Closure – from 8th – 12th April Spittlerush Lane will be closed. If this is your normal route to school, please allow extra time to follow a diversion.

Eagles Girls - next week, the girls in year 5 and 6 will be having a presentation and talk about starting their periods. We will be discussing sanitary products and each girl will be given a small bag with different sanitary towels in to take home. It will be done in a sensitive manner and the girls will have an opportunity to ask any questions they may have.

Governor Elections - We have one parent vacancy and two coopted vacancies. If you are interested or know someone who would like to become a governor please see the relevant attachments, or direct them to <http://www.kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk/newsletters-news/2018-2019/> . Copies of all documentation are also available from the school office upon request.

Parking – it has been noted recently that some people are parking on the zig zags at the bottom of the school drive. This is obviously a major safety concern for our children (and parents). Please make sure you park in a suitable location for dropping off / collecting children. Please avoid zig zags, double parking, parking on bends, blocking driveways and parking on footpaths. Thank you in advance.

The Secret Room – thank you to everyone who donated presents, and purchased Mothers Day Presents from our Secret Room. The children had a lovely time choosing and wrapping their presents, and we hope all you special Mums and Grandmas enjoyed receiving your gifts. All proceeds from this will be going to rejuvenate the wildlife garden on the school field. We can't wait to share with you the results!

School Planners – please can parents make sure they check children's planners on a daily basis. Any messages regarding accidents or behaviour are detailed within and it is important that you are aware of these updates daily.

Parents and Friends – if anyone would like to contact parents and friends regarding upcoming events, or to discuss joining them, you can reach them at pandf@kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk

After-School Club –next half terms booking forms are now available. If you require any sessions booking please contact us. Please note that all bookings must be made directly with the school office rather than through Mrs Humphries. If you need to let after school club that you are late, please ring or text 07940 111 816.

Allergies – if your children have any allergies which are potentially fatal, you may wish to consider purchasing a wristband. Something so small could save their lives if found unconscious by someone who isn't aware of their condition. A wide range can be found at <https://www.allergylifestyle.com/product-category/allergy-shop/mediband-wristbands/allergy-bracelets/> though other sites also stock them.



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

Careers - We are looking to inspire our young people in career choices for the future. We hope to host a careers day on 28th June 2019, we have invited a wide variety of professionals to come and talk to the children. We are now waiting for them to accept. Fingers crossed! If you would like to share your career or career path with the children, please let us know. We would love to hear from you.

Campsmount Dance – ticket sales have now closed. Anyone wishing to purchase a ticket must contact Campsmount directly on 01302 700002.

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On Monday we will be rehearsing at Campsmount from 3pm. As per our previous letter, parents will need to collect children from Campsmount at 5pm. They will also need to bring their costumes into school.

Policies – many of our school policies have recently been updated. We urge you to familiarise yourself with these, particularly the charging and remissions policy which could apply if you are late to collect your child from school or after-school club. All information can be found at <http://www.kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk/school-information/prospectus-policies/>

School Bags - we are finding that children are bringing large bags in to school and we are struggling to house them. Your child needs to bring a reading book and diary, homework on a weekly basis, a water bottle (only water is allowed and the bottle should go to and from school daily), a waterproof coat, a PE kit with some indoor trainers and outdoor trainers for outdoor play and PE. All trainers need to be in a labelled carrier bag.

Sports Trips – Please see below dates of our upcoming sports trips to Campsmount – a letter for each trip will be sent out closer to the time with full details. Consent has already been given – many thanks for this. Can we also remind parents that on the day of your child's class trip, it is important that the children go straight into the classroom alone to get changed. Parents will be unable to come inside due to safeguarding issues – thank you for your understanding.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thursday 11 th April	Dolphins	Gymnastics
Thursday 16 th May	Lions	Rounders
Thursday 23 rd May	Eagles	Rounders

Reminders

We are a nut free school. Please do not send in packed lunches or snacks.

Went Valley Pre-School and Breakfast Club will be closed on 2nd May.

Useful Contacts

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

After School Club: 07940 111 816

Parents and Friends: pandf@kirksmeaton.n-yorks.sch.uk

Went Valley: 01977 621 521

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Important Diary Dates

Monday 1 st April 2019 @ 15:00-17:00	Campsmount Dance Rehearsal
Wednesday 3 rd April 2019 @ 17:30	Campsmount Dance Show
Friday 5 th April 2019	Y3 Swimming Lessons Begin
Monday 8 th April 2019	Bun Sale
Thursday 11 th April 2019	Dolphins Gymnastics at Campsmount
Thursday 11 th April 2019 @ 14:00	Easter Service
Friday 12 th April 2019	School Closes
Tuesday 30 th April 2019	School Opens
Thursday 2 nd May 2019	Went Valley Pre School Closed
Thursday 2 nd May 2019	Tour De Yorkshire
Wednesday 8 th May 2019 @ 14:15	Lions Play
Thursday 16 th May 2019	Lions Rounders @ Campsmount
Thursday 23 rd May 2019	Eagles Rounders @ Campsmount
Friday 24 th May 2019	School Closes
Monday 3 rd June 2019	School Opens
Wednesday 5 th June 2019 @ 9:00	School Class Photographs
Wednesday 12 th June 2019	Sports Day
Wednesday 19 th June 2019	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 28 th June 2019	Careers Day
Wednesday 17 th – Friday 19 th July 2019	Robinwood Residential
Friday 19 th July 2019	School Closes

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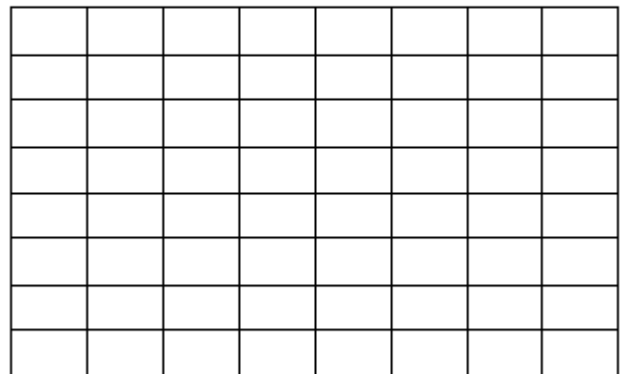
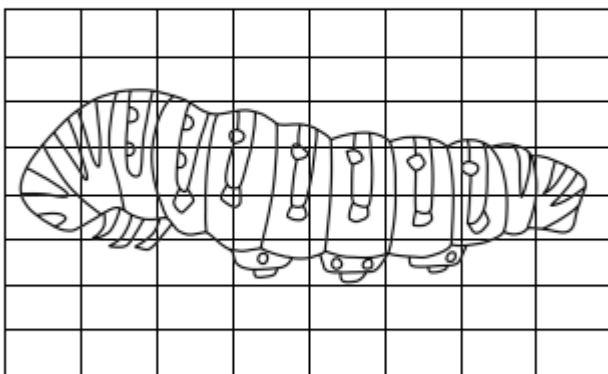


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