# **Knavesmire Primary School Weekly Newsletter**

Friday 3rd May 2024

# Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Friday everyone.

We hope you've had a good week. It's been a busy but positive one here. We are especially proud of our Y6s for working so hard throughout their SATs tests; they enjoyed their well deserved ice cream and pizza today! Many thanks to Friends of Knavesmire for sponsoring this.

This week has been Mental Health Awareness Week and we've had a focus on movement and how staying active is great for you in so many ways. We hope you can get out with your families or friends this weekend. Next week is World Culture Week, which we will celebrate by each year group looking at a chosen country from around the world.

Elsewhere in the newsletter, you'll see details about a fundraising quiz on 14th June and please keep the 28th June in your diary for our Sports Evening. We'd love you to join us if you can.

Thanks for your ongoing support. Mr Gardiner



#### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER**

We hope that the new School Newsletter format will prove helpful in better communicating information between school and home.

While ever evolving we will broadly including the following sections - please click on the links below to move directly to any section (direct links may not work on all devices):

- Whole School Information
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- Cool Kids Club
- Year Group Messages
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# WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



# FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND THE KNAVESMIRE OFFER

If your family qualifies for free school meals (aside from the universal free school meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) you will also qualify for The Knavesmire offer. This means, in addition to free school meals, families can be provided with:



- a school jumper <u>or</u> a school cardigan
- a school footwear voucher
- School milk
- one term free swimming travel costs
- two half-terms of free extra-curricular club participation
- free school trips
- negotiated costs for residential visits

Please come to the school office for a form so we can order your child's jumper/cardigan, shoe voucher and milk.

# FREE SCHOOL MEALS ELIGIBILITY

Free School Meals are automatically applied to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This entitlement can be extended to children where families are in receipt of certain benefits and earnings do not exceed a threshold. These benefits include:

Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit)

North Yorkshire County Council have launched an online portal for free school meal applications that will give you an instant decision on whether your application is successful: <a href="https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals">https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals</a>

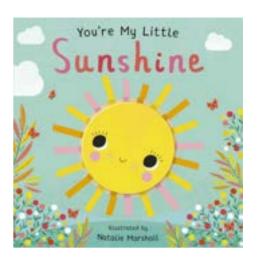
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# **SCHOOL LIBRARY**

We'd still be very grateful for some more of your book-inspired pictures - the box in the office is looking a bit sparse so far. Please draw anything from your favourite book - maybe the cover, your favourite characters etc - and bring it in to decorate the Library!

We have a lot of overdue Library books at the moment - reminders to follow this term. If you have any Library books at home they can be returned to the drop-box in the School Office at any time.



# **CLOTHES BANK**

Our fundraising and recycling clothes bank is situated at the entrance of the car park to the rear of the school. Please click on the following link to see Mrs Wogan-Wells from Y6 explain a little more about how it all works.

https://online.fundraiserecycleltd.co.uk/bank?bankld=KnavesmirePrimary-School

Please use the facility to donate any unwanted clothes.

# **REFUGEE APPEAL**

NOW ACCEPTING ALL CLOTHING DONATIONS. Donations for all age groups will go to the refugee home in Bradford. Please drop any donations into the school office foyer. Please make sure all donations are as good as new or new, washed and clean. There is no capacity to wash once donated so this is really important. Underwear and toiletries including sanitary items are always needed and have to be new. Donations for men in particular are harder to get and most needed. Thank you so much!

#### **SCHOOL MILK**

If you want to register your child for school milk, simply visit <a href="www.coolmilk.com/register">www.coolmilk.com/register</a>

# **HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

#### **NITS**

Please be extra vigilant in checking your child's hair, we have an increasing amount of cases throughout the school. For information on how to spot & treat, please click on the NHS website. Do note that in many instances, nits look a bit like dandruff!

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-andnits/

#### **Chicken Pox**

We have had a number of confirmed cases of chickenpox. For information on recognising and treating, please refer to the NHS website: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/</a>

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#### **MARY POPPINS PHOTOS**

Whole cast ensemble photos are now available for the Year 3 and 4 performance of Mary Poppins. For £2.50 you will be sent 4 professionally taken dress rehearsal photos. Please sign into ParentPay to make your purchase.

# **CLOTHES LABELS**

If you'd like to order name labels for clothing etc, you may want to use <a href="https://www.stikins.co.uk">https://www.stikins.co.uk</a> as the school will receive 30% commission to put towards school funds from every order where the fundraising number is quoted. Our Fundraising Number Is: 11349



# **SCHOOL OFFICE ADMIN**

- \*if you've moved house or changed phone number recently please remember to update the school office with your new details.
- \*Please remember to include your child's full name and class when sending messages to school to ensure that we can direct them to the right people.
- \*If your child is not in school first thing, please remember to inform us of their lunch choice before 10.30am. Children will always be fed but this ensures they get the meal of their choice.

# LOST PROPERTY

This week we have mostly been dealing with lost water bottles. Please name any stuff which is likely to be discarded in the playground during the changeable weather: sun hats, sun glasses, water bottles, jumpers & rain jackets. A box will be set up in the gazebo for stray items.

Check the Friends of Knavesmire Facebook page to view any valuable #lostandfound items.

Any pieces of unnamed clothing are either recycled into the clothes bank, the refugee appeal or added to the Friends clothes rail in the office and sold to raise funds for the school.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/14023395 9376362/permalink/6818721288194229/

# **HEALTH & WELLBEING**

We've received notification that Perfect Smile Dental Clinic York we are now accepting NHS children.

https://www.perfectsmileclinic.co.uk/york-clinic/

# **HEALTH & SAFETY**

We kindly ask that children do not use scooters or bikes on the school playground at pick up or drop off times.

# TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

#### Year 1

Trip to Harlow Carr on 01/07/24 - See email sent 10/05/24 with full details.

#### Year 2

<u>Trip to Scarborough on 06/06/24</u> - See email sent 26/04/24 with full details.

# Year 3

<u>Swimming voluntary contributions</u> - Thank you to everyone who has made payments. For anyone who hasn't made a payment for this term, we would be grateful for any more contributions to help with the cost of this activity.

#### Year 4

Robin Hood's Bay Parents Meeting - 12/06/24 in the Year 4 Classrooms.

4GR to Robin Hood's Bay, 15/07/24 to 16/07/24 - Please make sure you are up to date with your payment plan. 4GH to Robin Hood's Bay, 16/07/24 to 17/07/24 - Please make sure you are up to date with your payment plan.

# Year 5

Carlton Lodge on 22/05/24 to 24/05/24

Brownlee Foundation Mini-Triathlon on 14/06/24 - See email sent 02/05/24 for full information.

French Cafe Day at Millthorpe School 02/07/24 - Please give consent and information on ParentPay by 24/05/24.

MAT Arts Fest 2024 at York Barbican on 09/07/24 - See email sent 13/03/24 for full information.

<u>Playhouse Project at York Theatre Royal on 11/07/24</u> - See email sent 02/05/24 and today (17/05/24). There are a small number of extra tickets available. These will become available on the booking system at 10am on Wednesday 22/05/24 and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. To book extra tickets, please follow the link below:

#### https://parents-booking.co.uk/knavesmire

The booking system will close at 11.50pm on Tuesday 04/06/24. A payment item will then be added to ParentPay for you to pay for these tickets.

Barcelona 2025 - Letter from Mr Cooper sent by email on 24/04/24.

#### Year 6

<u>Crucial Crew Workshop at York College on 12/07/24</u> - See email sent 02/05/24. Please give consent on ParentPay by Monday 20/05/24.

#### Other

<u>South Bank Trust Sports Fest on 11/06/24</u> - This is for 12 pupils from Years 2, 4 and 6. Parents of these children have been contacted by email.



# **CLUBS**



# **CLUBS IN SCHOOL**

The following clubs and music lesson are run in school by external organisations. Please contact them directly for more information or to book a place.

Organisation	Activity	Contact details	
Ignite Sports	Ignite run sports clubs after school on a Monday and Friday and also on a Friday lunchtime.	You can sign up for these sessions on Ignite's website. <a href="mailto:www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk">www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk</a> or email: <a href="mailto:info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk">info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk</a>	
Dance with Miss Caroline	Miss Caroline runs drama, cheerleading and street dance clubs for all school aged children on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime and after school on a Tuesday and Wednesday.	To sign up for these sessions please follow this link <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c">https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c</a> or for more info, email Miss Caroline: <a href="mailto:dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com">dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com</a>	
Circus Skills	Circus Stu runs a circus skills club for all school aged children. This takes place on a Friday lunchtime.	To sign up please email Stu: stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org or go to the website: www.circusskillsyorkcic.org	
Rocksteady	Rocksteady are in Knavesmire on a Wednesday in school hours. Children can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals.	For more information and to sign up, go to Rocksteady's website:  www.rocksteadymusicschool.com	
Clare's Kitchen	Clare runs sessions for all school aged children after school on a Monday. These sessions give children the opportunity to plan, prepare & cook their own nutritional meal, then dine together.	To sign up please email Clare: clareskitchen@yahoo.co.uk	
Chess Club	This club in run on Tuesday and Thursdays after school for years 1,2 and 3. The clubs are run by Larry, a parent volunteer. The club is currently full, however, Larry would love more helpers at the sessions so he can accommodate more children.	If you are interested in being a parent helper please contact Larry by email. <a href="mailto:shroud.king@gmail.com">shroud.king@gmail.com</a>	

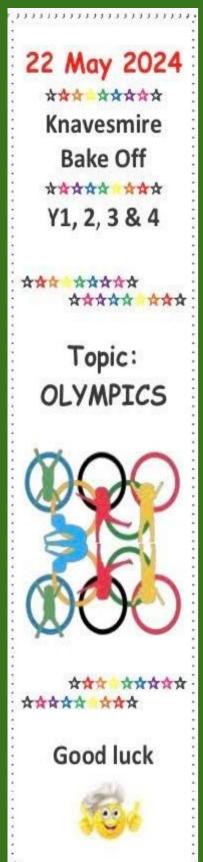
# **MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL**

Instrument	Name	Contact details
Guitar	Steve Powell	stevepowell726@gmail.com
Piano	Carolyn Amos	carolynamos@hotmail.co.uk
Drums	Alex Woolgar	alexwoolgar1@gmail.com
Singing	Alison Pawley	alisunr@yahoo.com
Violin	Marcus Bousfield	marcus.bousfield@btinternet.com
Brass	Oliver Fulwell	https://yorkmusiced.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/york-music-centre/enrolment-form

# **KEY DATES**



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY
Nursery		
Reception		
Year 1	01/07/24	Trip to Harlow Carr
Year 2	06/06/24 13/06/24 20/06/24 27/06/24	Trip to Scarborough. Forest School Forest School
Year 3		
Year 4	23/05/24 3-14/06/24 12/06/24 12/07/24 15 - 16/07/24 16 - 17/07/24	Glastonmire Festival Day. Festival fancy dress or own clothes.  3rd June to 14th June: Multiplication tables check (please be practicing Soundchecks and times tables at home wherever possible)  Robin Hood's Bay parents info meeting 3.30pm in Y4 classroom.  Violin Concert for parents 9.30am  4GR to Robin Hood's Bay.  4GH to Robin Hood's Bay.
Year 5	22 -24/05/24 03/06/24 14/06/24 19/06/24 27/06/24 02/07/24 09/07/24 11/07/24	Carlton Lodge York Theatre Royal Workshop - 5H AM, 5U PM (IN SCHOOL) Brownlee Mini Triathlon - see email sent 02/05/24 Science workshop at Millthorpe 1:30-2:30 - 5H Science workshop at Millthorpe 9:30-10:30 - 5U French Cafe Day @ Millthorpe School - see email sent 17/05/24. MAT Arts Fest 2024 at York Barbican - see email sent 13/03/24. Playhouse Project - all day - see email sent 02/05/24 Forest School - all day
Year 6	25/06/24 01/07/24 03/07/24 12/07/24	Healthy Child Screening. Letter sent 16/5/24 Millthorpe Transition Evening 5-7pm parents have been sent a letter with all details from Millthorpe School. Millthorpe Transition Day 8.45am - 3.15pm parents have been sent a letter with all details from Millthorpe School. Crucial Crew Workshop at York College - see email sent 02/05/24.
The School House		
Other	22/05/24 01/06/24 06/06/24 11/06/24 14/06/24 28/06/24 03/07/24	Knavesmire Bake Off <b>for Years 1,2,3,4</b> Samba band performing at York Pride Knavesmire Bake Off for <b>Nursery, Reception, Years 5 &amp; 6</b> South Bank Trust Sports Fest for 12 pupils from Y2, 4, 6. Quiz Night for parents and staff Sports Evening (or 5/7/24 if rained off on the 28th) Rocksteady Concert for Rocksteady parents. 11am



# FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE UPDATE

It's been a busy week - especially of course for everyone in Year 6. Well done to all of you for making it through your SATs, and to round off the week, all the children in Yr6 were offered pizza (care of Trinacria no less!) and Ice Cream today - thanks to the staff for organising and to the Friends of KPS for paying for it. What a way to celebrate! You have definitely earned yourselves a fun weekend. (And this is why Friends sell cakes in the rain...)

Next Wednesday, on the 22 May, will be the first half of the Knavesmire Bake Off. The topic this year is the Olympics and we hope there's a lot of exciting planning going on in Year 1 to 4. (Please remember that the nursery, reception as well as Year 5 & 6 will get their chance after half term.)

The judges can't wait to see and of course taste all the entries. And as a special treat this year there will be even a professional baker amongst them! So good luck to everyone who will be taking part.

Also, don't forget that we'll be selling the cakes on the day right after school. It won't be your usual cake sale and there will be award winning ones amongst them:)





# **COOL KIDS CLUB UPDATE**

May Half Term

Bookings are now open, please visit https://www.knavesmireprimary.co.uk/community/kckc and complete the relevant booking form.

The activities for the half term holiday are as follows:-

Tuesday 28th May
No Bake Cornflake Cookies
Paper Spinner

Wednesday 29th May
Butterfly/Dragonfly Cotton Bud Painting
Jellyfish Craft

Thursday 30th May Paper Plate Weaving Bird Collage

Friday 31st May Jar Painting Wool Octopus

#### **Mobile Phones**

Children are not permitted to have their mobile phones on them whilst at KCKC. We ask that if your child has a phone, they hand it to a member of staff on arrival, and it will be returned to them when they leave.

#### Bookings for the Autumn Term

KCKC is changing the way in which Parents book sessions and make payments from September. Information regarding this will be sent out to all Parents soon, so please ensure you keep an eye on your emails for this important update.



# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



# **NURSERY MESSAGES**

Hello Nursery!

We've had a wonderful week and we are very much enjoying watching our caterpillars who are now in their cocoons and waiting excitedly for the butterflies to emerge! We have been looking at the differences between humans and minibeasts and the ways that insects protect themselves without bones! In maths we've been looking at pattern and also 2d shape,we've been working on our alliteration and syllable knowledge as well as continuing with our name writing!

We hope you have a wonderful weekend 🧡

Miss Copping and the Nursery Team

# **RECEPTION MESSAGES**

We have had another great week in Reception! In Maths we have focussed on 2D and 3D shape. In Literacy we used a story dice to create own our stories and we focussed on what a character, setting and objects are. In Big Idea we continued to learn about life cycles and we loved our trip to Rowntree park where we created our own books by sketching flowers and minibeasts. Have a great weekend!

The Reception Team

# YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, we have worked on our imaginary plant sculptures - trying hard to follow our designs! In English, we have written our own poems about a fruit or vegetable using lots of great adjectives. In Maths, we have been revisiting knowledge from earlier in the year and using this to answer different questions. Next week, we will be finding out about Japanese culture and the Japanese cherry blossom festival as part of the KPS Global Celebration Week. Although it is some time away, we still need volunteers to accompany us on our trip to Harlow Carr. If you are able to help on Monday 1st July, please inform either the school office or Year One team.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

The Year One team.

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



# YEAR 2 MESSAGES

This week we have enjoyed filming our Lego movies as part of our End Goal! The children have really engaged with this Big Idea and we have loved all of their creativity! Next week, we will be looking at Danish culture as part of our school wide Culture Week. In Maths, we have been working hard to revise our written methods for our four calculations, any continued support with this at home is always appreciated! In English, the children have written brilliant instructions on how to build their own Lego model. We are looking forward to sharing these with Year 1 next week to see if they can build the creations. Please ensure that reading books and records are brought to school everyday as this helps us to read regularly with the children and track progress with their book band. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

The Year 2 Team

# **YEAR 3 MESSAGES**

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We have had some fun learning different jumping techniques during our PE lessons this week. During our English lessons, we have written our own non-chronological reports with a real focus on how to present it in an engaging and functional way. In Maths, we have focused on finding fractions of amounts in different contexts. During our Big Idea sessions, we have looked at the inner workings of teeth, what they are used for and how they work. Next week, we will complete some maths and reading quizzes.

Maths homework (finding a fraction of an amount) is ONLINE this week. We will now cover more than one X table a week in class to continue to improve fluency. Spelling homework is 10 CEW to practise ready for the big spelling quiz next week.

Have a brilliant weekend,

The Year 3 Team.

#### YEAR 4 MESSAGES

The excitement has been building in Year 4 as we have continued onto week 2 of our Festivals Big Idea. In preparations for next week's Glastonmire festival, Year 4 have started to prepare art with which to decorate the festival, along with teaming up to prepare stalls and acts for the day.

In Writing, we have used our newfound knowledge about Glastonbury to write poems in groups about the festival. The poems begin at the location before the festival has begun and continue on as the festival gets into full swing. Maths has been focussed around statistics, with the children learning each other's favourite sports, creating and analysing frequency tables and charts.

Finally, it has been Mental Health week so we have had a big focus on how to be kind to our minds. Year 4 created acrostic poems based on this which we then shared during our Good Work Assembly.

Please can the children continue to focus on a mix of the times tables this week.

The Year 4 Team

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



# **YEAR 5 MESSAGES**

Year 5 have had a great week - counting down the (5) days to go until Carlton Lodge! In Writing, the children have been drafting their own 'choose your own' adventure story with a variety of exciting options to vary the plot of their story, depending on which path the reader decides to take. In Maths, the children have been working hard to add and subtract decimals with the same and different number of decimal places. In Big Idea, the children have discussed possibilities about risks, why people may take them and ponder which 'safe risks' they'll be taking at Carlton Lodge (e.g. trying new things). Throughout the week, the children have been given a number of opportunities to ask questions about their upcoming residential stay at Carlton Lodge. If there are any remaining questions that have been unanswered, please don't hesitate to ask a member of the Year 5 team - we're always happy to help! Thank you so much to all of the families who have handed in the Brownlee Foundation Mini Triathlon Event Form so far. We still have a large number remaining to be handed in. Therefore, please could we remind all families to hand them to your class teacher or a member of the Year 5 team by the end of the half-term? If you have any questions or queries about the triathlon, please don't hesitate to ask a member of the Year 5 team.

We hope you all have a fabulous weekend!

The Year 5 Team.

# YEAR 6 MESSAGES

This week has been a rather momentous one for Year 6 as they have all done an absolutely brilliant job of smashing their SATs! It has been a long week but a very rewarding one: while we know that test results from one week only give us a small snapshot of the incredible things our Year 6 children can achieve, it has given us an insight into the tenacity, resilience and determination that these children have developed over their time at Knavesmire. We are extremely proud of each and every one of them.

Needless to say, there will be no homework this weekend. Their only task is to enjoy spending time with family and friends, hopefully outside in the sunshine!

Next week, the Writing period begins in earnest but we will also be running auditions for our end of year production. More on the Year 6 show to follow.

Thank you for all of the support and understanding you have offered our Year 6 children (and staff) this week and we hope you have a lovely weekend,

The Year 6 Team

# THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

The School House has had a brilliantly busy week! The children have been busy preparing for their Big idea end goal, to host a mini Olympics for children in school. This will be on Monday morning and the children have designed their own game, made trophies for athletes, written instructions on how to play and also designed a poster to advertise the games! The children have really enjoyed this Big Idea and I am sure they will love their end goal!

In English, the children have been typing their persuasive letters to the IOC and we will send these off at the end of the week!

As always, if you have any questions, please come and chat to us.

Have a lovely weekend!

The School House Team



# **COMMUNITY MESSAGES**









# **SUMMER 2 SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS**

Day	Time	Sport	For	Cost
Monday	3.25pm	Dodgeball	Years	£5 per week
After	_	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	3 - 6	
School	4.25pm			
Friday	12.30pm	Multi Skills	Years	£2.50 per
Lunchtime	_	3 3 7 7 7 7 2 2 3 3	1&2	week
	1pm			2000
Friday	3.25pm	Football	Years	£5 per week
After	-		4 - 6	
School	4.25pm			

Any questions please contact James Shimmin info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk





# FREE PARENTING EVENT: **FAMILY MATTERS YORK** LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES

# **BOOK TODAY:** Final few spaces remain

A video & discussion based session exploring the impact of the digital world on teenagers & children, giving practical advice on screen time & social media, and tackling some of the more serious issues such as online bullying and pornography.

Saturday 18th May 9.30am-12 noon @ Cornerstone, Millfield Lane YO10 3AP







# COMMUNITY MESSAGES MESSAGES FROM THE FRIENDS OF ROWNTREE PARK

