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Parents Bulletin – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023

## Countdown to Christmas

 <b>Thursday 7th December</b>	Cinema trips Year 8 (am), Year 7 (pm).
 <b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Start of <a href="#">Carter House</a> Charity Week. Food bank collection for the Welcome Centre Huddersfield.
 <b>Tuesday 12th December</b>	Riot act - road safety performance. Year 7 P1.
 <b>Wednesday 13th December</b>	Carol Service rehearsal at All Hallows, Kirkburton 9.00-12.15. Christmas Carol Concert - All Hallows, Kirkburton 7pm.
	<a href="#">Carter House</a> Charity Bake Off and Bake Sale.
 <b>Thursday 14th December</b>	Grandparents' Christmas Coffee Morning 9-11am.
 <b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Staff Pie & Peas in the food room 12:30pm.
 <b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<a href="#">Moxon</a> Christmas Reward Assembly P5.
 <b>Tuesday 19th December</b>	Year 6 Kirklees Musica Orchestra - 9am. Winter Jumper/Christmas Accessory Day (donations to <a href="#">Carter House</a> Charity).
	<a href="#">Booth</a> Christmas Reward Assembly – P5. Christmas Lunch.
 <b>Wednesday 20th December</b>	Year 8 Kirklees Musica Rock Band – 11am. <a href="#">Carter</a> Christmas Reward Assembly – P5.
 <b>Thursday 21st December</b>	Year 6 Panto - Sheffield Lyceum. Winter Jumper day.
	Form time fun for years 7 & 8 P5
 <b>Friday 22nd December</b>	Inset Day





## Introducing Mrs Dean - Headteacher's PA / Office Manager

Hello.

I am very excited to be joining Kirkburton Middle School and working alongside all the staff, parents, and pupils. My Daughter is a Year 6 pupil here, so I understand that communication between the school and parents is vital to ensure children get the most out of their time at KMS. The office team and I will always do our very best to support you so please do not hesitate to contact us when necessary. I am also available as a first point of contact as the Headteacher's PA should you need anything. Thank you to everyone who has already welcomed me, I am looking forward to my future here.

## Communication from KMS to Parents

EduLink is our primary means of communication to parents. It is important that you download the app to ensure you receive all notifications regarding school activities, information specific to your child and any changes that might happen day to day. The app will notify you when a message has come through and you will also receive the information on email. The number of text messages we send out will now be limited to urgent/emergency communications. If you have any difficulties with the app, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

## KMS School Production



**The 2024 KMS school production will be Chitty Chitty Bang Bang!**

We would like to ask for your help and support local businesses as well.

To make our set and props we need paint. Do you have any paint you can donate? Half full tins in the garage that we could use? If you have a decorating business, do you perhaps have some tins of paint that you could donate and in turn, we will advertise your business in our show programme.

Colours needed; White/cream, Pink, Red, Brown, Blue, Black. Thanks in advance. Miss Austin.

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## BOOTH HOUSE NEWS!

Joseph R - 6A.

Took part in the Shelley Church Remembrance Service and he read out all of the names of the soldiers who fought in both world wars.

Max M -6A

Max passed his martial arts grading exam.

Henry Mc - 6B

Ran in the Yorkshire and Humberside Cross Country Race and came 4th out of 70 runners.

Connie C - 6B

Connie attended a Scout's trip to London and thoroughly enjoyed her experience.

Seth C - 7A

Seth has developed a script for a game using his excellent coding skills.

Arabella S - 7A

Arabella was successful in her dancing competition.

Poppy S - 7B

Poppy won a gold medal at the CYP dance competition.

Lewis B - 7B

Continues to be a brilliant competitive cyclist.

Louie G - 8B

Louie has played against Manchester United for Huddersfield.

**Well done to all students. KMS are proud of all of you!**







## CARTER HOUSE NEWS!

Congratulations to Frederick P (7F) who has PASSED his Grade 1 Piano exam. Well done!

Carter House are excited to launch our first House charity week!



Following a form vote, we are delighted to be supporting [The Welcome Centre](#), a food bank and support centre in Huddersfield. During the next two weeks we will be running a food bank donation, a festive bake sale/bake off competition and a fundraising warm jumper/Christmas accessory day. Carter House Leaders will be co-ordinating the events and sharing more details with all forms. The events are open to all members of school, not just Carter House! Please do support this important local charity.



## MOXON HOUSE NEWS!

KMS Inter House Football Result - It has been a real pleasure to see so many of our students representing their House in the inter house football competition over the last few weeks. We now have the final results.

**1st Place: Moxon with 17 points**

**2nd Place: Carter with 10 points**

**3rd Place: Booth with 6 points**

A big thank you to our fantastic Sports Leaders, Georgina H, Daisy S, James B, Alex H and Ruby Rose H who helped arrange the teams and matches.

Moxon footballers will be celebrated in the Christmas Celebration Assembly.

Thank you to Isabelle L and Sam Mc for their help with the Year 8 Parents evening.

## PE News

The PE department at KMS strive to enter all sporting competitions available to the school. We run practices for those who wish to represent school in these sports and select teams according to the level of competition. These include:

**U11 Girls and Boys Huddersfield Football League and Cup competitions.**

**U11 Girls and Boys Indoor Huddersfield Football League and Cup competitions**

**U12 and U13 Huddersfield Schools Girls and Boys Football league and Cup competitions.**

**U13 English Schools Cup Football.**

**U11 Netball tournament.**

**U12 and U13 Kirklees Netball League and Tournaments.**

**Junior boys and girls English Schools Cross Country.**

**KS2 School Games Cross Country.**

**KS3 Kirklees Cross Country.**

**KS2 Sports Hall Athletics School Games Competition.**

**KS3 Sports Hall Athletics Kirklees Competition.**



**English Schools Athletics Cup for Year 7 and 8.**

**Kirklees Schools Athletics for Year 7 and 8.**

**U13 Yorkshire Cricket Cup for boys and girls**

**Kirklees schools cricket league U12 and U13.**

**U11 Dynamo Cricket School Games Competition.**

**Huddersfield Schools Rugby League Tournament for U13.**

**U11 Tag Rugby School Games Competition.**

To promote inclusivity, we offer a wide range of extra-curricular activities alongside our sports team practices. For the Autumn term these include a dodgeball and dance club. The dance club have the opportunity to perform at the Shelley College Dance Festival and also at the Strictly Pennine Show at The Lawrence Batley Theatre. We also engage with the SPIN Partnership and strive to attend all of their events specifically designed for those with SEND. So far, we have supported several students to take part in a SEND Cross Country and are looking forward to attending a SEND Football event at The Zone in the coming weeks with 16 of our SEND students.

Inter House Competitions:

Recently we ran an Inter House Football competition for all year groups, boys, and girls. This gave those who do not yet represent school to play competitive matches, the chance to access competitive sport at school. We had over 120 students actively involved in the inter house football across the three-year groups and it was wonderful to see so many students striving to perform to their very best level to represent their house.

It is an absolute pleasure to work in the KMS PE department, we have the most amazing PE students and wonderful participation rates at all our extra-curricular clubs. Our teams are very successful within the Kirklees and Huddersfield areas, and we are very proud of our sporting success and our participation rates. We look forward to planning the next Inter House Competition in the Spring Term.

**All pupils will be playing hockey this half-term as part of the PE curriculum. The wearing of a mouthguard is strongly advised during these lessons. Please contact your child's PE teacher should you wish to discuss this further.**

**We have decided to ban the use of all aerosol sprays for our pupils in the school building and on the school buses. When sprayed in confined spaces they pose a health risk to our students with medical conditions. Roll on deodorants are welcome in school.**

Many thanks for your support, The PE department.

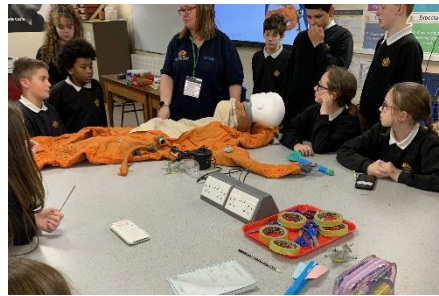






## Space to Learn Masterclass

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November, students from Year 7 and 8 had the fantastic opportunity to take part in a Space to Learn Masterclass run by the National Space Centre. During this workshop they considered the forces and energy needs of a rocket getting into space, consider the fuels needed to get rockets into space, looked at the diverse range of jobs that are carried out in the space industry, got to see a real space suit, and have a go at making their own rockets.



## Attendance

For all attendance issues including absences, medical appointments, and reasons for being late or out of school, could you please email [Kirkburtonattendance@themast.co.uk](mailto:Kirkburtonattendance@themast.co.uk). This will go straight through to our Attendance Officer who can ensure all records are up to date.





## Useful Contacts

### Thriving Kirklees

Healthcare advice, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Support, Healthcare Signposting  
[www.thrivingkirklees.org.uk](http://www.thrivingkirklees.org.uk)  
0300 304 5555

### Kirklees Children's Services

Safeguarding Services and Duty and Advice  
[www.kirkleessafeguardingchildren.co.uk](http://www.kirkleessafeguardingchildren.co.uk)  
01484 456848

### Childline

<http://www.childline.org.uk>  
0800 1111

### Northorpe Hall – Kirklees

Children's mental and emotional health service  
<http://www.northorpehall.co.uk>  
01924 492183

### Thriving Kirklees – Chathealth

Text message services for young people – direct link to School Nurse  
07520618866

### NSPCC

Support for Parents and Children  
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>  
Parents/carers – 0800 800 5000  
Children – Via Childline 0800 11 11

