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And much, much, more.

## A word from the Head

Welcome to our fortnightly parent bulletin, I hope you and your family are well. Whilst this is our penultimate bulletin of the school year, it is the final bulletin for our Year 8 parents. Wow! More of that at the end. It has been another incredibly busy fortnight in school with lots to share.

I would like to start by congratulating all those involved in the performing arts department Summer Showcase. I'm sure all those who were in attendance will agree it was a fabulous event. Once again our pupils showed talents way beyond their years. A huge thank you to all the staff involved in supporting the event and to Miss Kaye and Ms Austin for all the hours they put in behind the scenes and on the night in order to provide a platform for your children to shine. I can't wait to see what they have in store for us next year! Unfortunately I was unable to see the first night as I had to attend appeal hearings at the Town Hall. Our waiting list is longer than ever to join our school.

In true first day of Wimbledon style, our Year 7 & 8 sports day was rained off on Monday. We'll try again next week. We did manage to hold our Year 6 sports day on Tuesday which was a great event. All pupils took part and the atmosphere was extremely sporting. Many pupils achieved gold standards in their events with some very impressive performances. Just as impressive were the sporting attitudes on display where, regardless of performance, pupils recognised and celebrated each other's efforts in taking part. We await the final results to see who our Year 6 house champions for 2022 are.

There is also lots to share in terms of design technology and art. I highly recommend a visit to the Holmfirth Artweek arts festival which starts this weekend. We are the only school involved in the festival. Our children's work is on sale in the famous Sid's Café; all proceeds will go to charity. Please read on for news of more artistic success for our pupils and a recent visit to Huddersfield University.

We've also had continued success in the world of sport particularly cricket and athletics. Please see our social media feeds for more details including the most amazing photo of Ralph in Year 7 drop kicking a rugby ball in front of three world cups at a recent school tournament in Warrington.

And finally... it is with a heavy heart for the school but a great sense of excitement for the pupils that we prepare to say goodbye to our Year 8 cohort of 2022. Where did those three years go! I am so disappointed the pandemic had such an impact on their time at KMS however I feel they have well and truly made up for that this year. They have been a wonderful year group and such brilliant role models for the rest of the school. I wish them all the very best at Shelley College and look forward to seeing what the future has in store for them. I know the future will be very, very bright and they will keep on enjoying, achieving, succeeding together. To those families whose youngest child leaves us next week, thank you for all your incredible support over the years and particularly for the support you have shown to me during the start of my KMS career. I feel very privileged to work with your wonderful children on a daily basis and to have such fantastic support from the community. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

#### Mr Taylor







## **Performing Arts Summer Showcase Concert**

An absolutely fabulous Summer Showcase by all students who took part. The audience over two evenings enjoyed some singing, dancing, vocal solo items, wind band, African drumming group, string group, guitar solos and duets, drama sketches and musical theatre numbers!





# Performers should be so proud of themselves. Both Ms Austin and Miss Kaye certainly are!

The lucky winners of the raffle are -Cheese and Wine hamper - Tyrus 7C (and parents!) Home baking hamper - Toby 6D Home cinema treats - Miss Sharples

Thank you for your generous support. Proceeds from the raffle will go to Kirkwood Hospice, in memory of our dear friend and colleague Mrs Pankhurst and to the school performing arts department,

# **IMPORTANT!** - Office Email Addresses Please note our office email addresses have changed -

The main office/reception email address is Kirkburtonoffice@themast.co.uk



For **all** attendance issues including absences, medical appointments and

reasons for being late or out of school please email Diane Allen at Kirkburtonattendance@themast.co.uk

#### Term Dates 2022-23

Please see the school website for details of our term dates for next year.



## KMS Uniform Expectations

We have an increasing minority of pupils who are arriving to school wearing incorrect uniform. If there is a genuine reason why your child is not wearing their correct uniform, please contact their form tutor. The easiest way of doing this is via your child's planner. We have spare uniform in school which we will loan to your child where needed – this includes shoes should children arrive at school wearing trainers.

Please see the school website for full details of our uniform expectations from September. Sports branded shoes and stretchy skirts will not be permitted next year.

#### Lost Property

Our lost property cupboard is getting full again. This time with school jumpers! PLEASE, put your child's name on all of their belongings. The office staff can then reunite your child with their belongings and save you money by not having to replace 'lost' items! We send out messages on the daily bulletin to the pupils with photos of recently 'lost' items for them to try and identify their belongings.

# **Key Dates**

2 <sup>nd</sup> Y8 HPV Jab	6 July 2022 – please note	
	change of date	
Y8 Leaving Assembly	7 July 2022	
Y8 Drayton Manor Trip	8 July 2022	
End of summer term	22 July 2022	

#### **Musica Kirklees Application Forms for Sept 2022**

Just a reminder that should wish to have vocal/instrumental tuition at school through Musica Kirklees, application forms can be downloaded from their website, <u>www.musicakirklees.org</u> or by clicking on the link here <u>https://www.musicakirklees.org/music-</u> tuition/application-and-registration-forms

Should you have any further queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact the Musica Kirklees office on 01484 426426 or by emailing hello@musicakirklees.org.

#### Music

If your child would like to have the opportunity to have Violin lessons then the Trust have Violins that have been **gifted** for this purpose.

Contact Miss Kaye for details.

#### **Exam Success**

Congratulations to Tyrus H who passed his Grade 4 Guitar exam with MERIT. Well done Tryus. Keep up the good work.

#### **Remember To Donate Your Old School Uniform**



#### A message from Uniform Exchange

I am sure most of your children will have grown out of their old school uniform by the end of the term or maybe leaving to a new school. Please would you donate any no longer needed school uniform to Uniform Exchange our local recycling charity. We are in desperate need of school bags, trainers and football boots. We make sure every family has access to school uniform throughout the year no matter their financial need.

The school will gladly pass on any clean items which are in good condition. It would great if Year 8 could bring in their donations on either of their last two days in school. Thank you in advance for your support. https://www.uniform-exchange.org/donation-points/

# Extra-Curricular Activities after half term

Thanks to our wonderful PE department our pupils are offered a variety of sports. Come and get involved!

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DAY	LUNCHTIME (12.15 - 12.45pm)	AFTER SCHOOL (3.45 -4.45pm)
MONDAY	All years Tennis Practice (AWP) (VJ)	
TUESDAY	Year 8 Cricket (AWP) (DM,AL)	
WEDNESDAY	All years Rounder's (Back Fields) (VJ)	Dance (Hall)
THURSDAY	Year 7 Cricket (AWP) (AL)	Year 7 and 8 Athletics (Fields) (VJ, DM, AL,SK)
FRIDAY	Year 6 Cricket (AWP) (DM,SK) Year 7 Rugby (Fields) (AL)	

# **Music Exam Success**

Congratulations and well done to the following pupils who have done extremely well in their singing exams.

Evelyn M – Grade 3 Singing for Musical theatre exam - PASS

Poppy F – Grade 4 singing exam with DISTINCTION

Mabel B – Grade 5 singing exam with MERIT

Alex G-L- Grade 1 Singing for Musical theatre exam - PASS

# The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

We hope you all enjoyed the celebrations around the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We are all in awe of her service to the country. We were inspired by the tribute paid by Prince William regarding the legacy the Queen and Prince Philip are hoping to leave in years to come with the future of the planet in mind.

The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. Everyone across the UK is being invited to plant trees from October 2021, when the tree planting season begins, through to the end of the Jubilee year in 2022.

The <u>Queen's Green Canopy</u> will create a network of individual trees, avenues, copses and whole woodlands in honour of The Queen's service and the legacy she has built.



#### **KMS Wear something yellow**

A few weeks ago our school community witnessed first-hand what wonderful work the Yorkshire Air Ambulance do. We want to give something back and so on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July we are asking pupils to wear something yellow on our non-uniform day. The suggested donation is £1 which pupils can give to their form tutor on the day. Alternatively <u>parents may wish</u> to donate via the just giving page for the event.

Thank you for your support with this. This is a fantastic charity which we are delighted to support.



#### **KMS @ Holmfirth Artweek**

DT and Art students along with Craft Club are exhibiting at Holmfirth Artweek.

We have a fringe event at Sid's Cafe in Holmfirth Centre (in the church yard) 2-9 July 2022.

Please pop in and have a look and maybe purchase something - we have pictures, lamps, cards and keyrings for sale and lots of art and design work to view. All proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Research.

The main event in the civic hall runs from 3-9 July along with many other fringe events.

There are free guide books available around the school with information on exhibits, demonstrations and workshops.



#### THE EXHIBITION

single stem vases, ceramics and felting

#### **CONTACT INFO**

- Sid's Cafe, 4a Towngate, Holmfirth, HD9 1HA
- ➡ sidscafe@btinternet.com
- 07706 823855
- Sids\_cafe\_holmfirth
- i @sidscafeholmfirth
- www.sidscafe.com

#### Year 8 Art & Design

Year 8 Art & Design students enjoyed a visit to The University of Huddersfield last week.



They enjoyed looking around the degree shows in textiles, Art, Architecture, Product Design and other areas and used these for inspiration - sketching ideas in their sketchbooks.

The students then took part in a textiles print workshop where they produced sublimation work printed for

themselves and for a community project. The students had a fantastic day and were really inspired by their experience. Thanks to parent Helen Ryall from the University who organised the day for us.





### Mast Academy Trust Art Competition Winners

Please see below the winners at Kirkburton Middle School for the Mast Trust art competition that was recently held. All the children produced some really good pieces of art based on an environmental theme. Congratulations to Emilia who also secured first place across both middle schools and in doing so wins £50 for our school to spend on an environmental project.

# 1<sup>st</sup> place - Emilia S



2<sup>nd</sup> place - Orson B



# Joint 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Sam R and Tallulah L





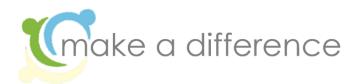
# Shelly Junior 100<sup>th</sup> Park Run

Join us on Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> run 9am at Shelley College for 4-14 year olds REGISTER FREE ONLINE:



www.parkrun.org.uk/register/form Follow on Twitter: @shelleyjuniors

#### Become a school Governor or a Trustee



Being a school governor or trustee is a challenging but hugely rewarding role. It will give you the chance to make a real difference to young people, give something back to your local community and use and develop your skills in a board-level environment.

Schools need governing boards that have a balance and diversity of knowledge, skills and experience to enable it to be effective.

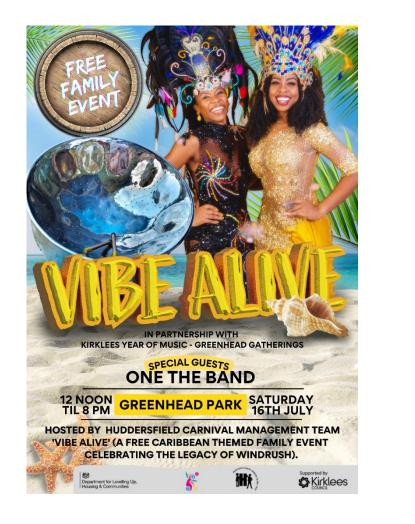
Anyone aged 18 or over can be a governor or trustee (but there are some exceptions) and you do not need to be a parent. There is no requirement for you to have an understanding of the education system, just the necessary skills, character and time to contribute. Schools need and benefit from a range of professional knowledge on their governing board including education, finance, human resources, legal, marketing and public relations, property and estates management, and organisational change.

Follow this link to find out what it is like to govern in the <u>Mast Academy Trust</u> including the different roles our volunteers play.

If you wish to enquire about any governance vacancies we have at the Mast Academy Trust please email <u>Mrs M</u> <u>Humphreys</u> or call on 01484 865444.



# **Community Events**





# **School Safeguarding Contacts**

Mrs Senior – Safeguarding Lead g.senior@themast.co.uk

**Kirklees Support Services** 

**Thriving Kirklees** 

Health Care advice, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Support, Healthcare Signposting

www.thrivingkirklees.org.uk

0300 304 5555

Northorpe Hall – Kirklees

Children's mental and emotional health service

www.northorpehall.co.uk

01924 492183

**Kirklees Children's Services** 

Safeguarding Services

www.kirkleessafeguardingchildren.co.uk

01484 456848

# **Thriving Kirklees**

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

07520618866

# Childline

www.childline.org.uk

0800 1111

NSPCC

Support for Parents and Children

www.nspcc.org.uk

Parents/carers - 0808 800 5000

Children – Via Childline 0800 11