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Kirkburton Middle School - Parent Bulletin

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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.

There is only one place for me to start this week and that is to say how unbelievably impressed with have been with all Year 6 pupils as they undertook four days of SATs papers this week. This was the pupils first experience of formal external testing and they rose to the challenge magnificently. We are always very proud of all our pupils at KMS however this week we have been particularly proud of Year 6. Well done everybody! A special mention to Mr Martin for his precision planning which meant the week ran like clockwork – a great team effort.



We were delighted to wave off our first residential visit since the pandemic this morning as two very excited busloads of Year 6 pupils departed on their Bushcraft expedition. Thank you to Mr Parker for all his efforts in organising this trip and to all the staff who have given up their weekend to sleep in the woods with your children.

Elsewhere this fortnight, thank you to those parents who attended the recent workshop on childhood anxiety – a very informative presentation and lots of practical strategies. It was great to visit Shepley First School as part of our transition programme. It looks like we have another fantastic year 6 on the way.

Mrs Senior and I had the pleasure of representing the school at a civic reception at the town hall this week to mark the end of the Mayor's year in office. It was great to meet people from all over Kirklees representing a wide variety of organisations. We were delighted to fly the flag for the Mayor's old school, a school where he said he has lots of very fond memories of.

In other news, well done to all those who have achieved yet more sporting success for the school. Please see our social media feeds for match reports and much more. Rehearsals are progressing very well for our upcoming summer showcase at the end of June.

And finally, we look forward to welcoming the community back to KMS for the first Annual Seniors Tea since the pandemic. This year, for the first time, rather than just providing a venue for the tea pupils from the school will take part in the event, helping serve food and drinks as well as showcasing their musical and dramatic skills. I'm sure it will be a great event.

Thank you as always for your ongoing support and I hope you have a lovely weekend - particularly those who are a child down.

Mr Taylor

Vacancies at KMS

[Please click here to see our latest staff vacancies.](#) We ask you share this information far and wide in order to ensure we are able to recruit the very best candidates to work with your children.

Enjoying, Achieving, Succeeding Together.

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

Lost Property

PLEASE, PLEASE, 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 will start sending out messages with photos of recently 'lost' items for students to try and identify their belongings.

Kirklees Council Adult Learning course

The Kirklees Council Adult Learning course timetable has now been updated for courses beginning after Easter. Their courses can help with boosting confidence, help with employability skills/health and wellbeing/family learning/digital skills/volunteering. Please follow the links for timetable and to enrol:

[Adult Learning & Skills Timetable Term 3 2021/22](#)
(kirklees.gov.uk)

[Kirklees Council Learner Enrolment Form 2021-2022 - My Kirklees Account](#)

[Support into work and adult learning courses during COVID-19 | Kirklees Council](#)

PSHE Lessons

During the summer term, classes across all year groups will begin the unit of learning on Relationships, Sex and Health Education as part of PSHE lessons. As part of this unit, students will be learning about puberty and reproduction. Examples of teaching resources can be found on the school website, which are all age and stage appropriate.

Key Dates

Y6 Bushcraft Trip	13, 14 & 15 May
Half term holiday	30 May – 3 June
KMS Queen's Jubilee Day (school closed)	6 June
Full Reports Issued	w/c 27 June
Summer Show	29 & 30 June at 6.30pm
Y6 Reports Issued	30 June
2nd Y8 HPV Jab	8 July– please note change of date
End of summer term	22 July

NEW THIS TERM

Pop Choir - WEDNESDAY at 12.15 in the Music room and will be led by Mrs Waller, our singing teacher, from Musica.

We will be **preparing for an event at the end of June** that we will be working towards. We hope to see **existing members, pupils who have singing lessons both in and out of school and we welcome any new members.**



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, www.musicakirklees.org or by clicking on the link here <https://www.musicakirklees.org/music-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.

Term Dates 2022-23

Please see the school website for details of our [term dates for next year](#).



Sport

Outdoor and adventurous activities week in PE - The week beginning 23rd May 2022 will be OAA week in PE lessons. **For this week only, all students will be asked to wear their full PE kit all day on PE days.** There will be no changing time to ensure all Orienteering activities can be completed to the maximum with the external OAA company. We thank you for your support with this.

Kirklees Tag Rugby Champions! KMS had two teams enter the tournament on Tuesday 26th April at YMCA Community Rugby Club. The blue team were placed in group 3 and played four ten minute group stage games. They won three convincingly and drew the last game against Lindley 1. Unfortunately, this meant Lindley went through as group winners as they had scored more tries overall. The green team were in group 4 and won all of their group stage games. They went through to the semi final and beat a very physical Meltham CE team. KMS greens then went on to play Lindley in the final and won the game 7 tries to 2! A great afternoon of tag rugby league, some exceptional performances and hopefully a great introduction to a new sport for some of our students to consider playing in the future.



Well Done to all of the Year 7 Football team who have played for KMS this year. They were successful in winning the Kirklees School League Cup and were presented with this at the league cup final on Tuesday 26th April. Unfortunately, they did not quite manage to do the double. They lost the league cup final to Holmfirth 3-1 but played some excellent football and did themselves, their school and all of their parents and supporters proud. Good luck in the Year 8 competition.



Year 6 Kirklees Cross Country Final

Congratulations to the Year 6 boys cross country team who came first overall in their final on Tuesday 3rd May at Leeds Road Playing Fields. The girls came second overall, just missing out to Lindley Junior School. We had winners in both races with exceptional performances from GW and AM! Well done to all!



Year 8 Netball Bronze medal winners! The KMS Year 8 netball team played in the Kirklees Netball Tournament on Monday 9th May at Colne Valley High School. They played 5 group stage matches and came second overall in their group. They then went on to play Colne Valley High School in a play-off for third place and won 3-0. The standard of netball was extremely high and there were 12 teams competing. King James came 1st, Huddersfield Grammar 2nd and KMS 3rd place! A superb effort from all of the players who should be very proud of themselves.



Huddersfield Town Football Camps

Huddersfield Town are running football clubs for primary aged children during the May half-term. [Please click here for more details.](#)

Careers Fair

Year 8 enjoyed their visit to Scissett Middle School where they were able to meet and speak with various colleges/universities and apprenticeship providers. There were opportunities to meet with people who have exciting careers too.



Plant a tree for the Jubilee



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 Queen's Green Canopy 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.

Here at KMS we'd like to not only support the Queen's Green Canopy scheme but we will also be trying to raise funds to purchase three mature trees. These three trees would be planted on the edge of the field to provide some shade for the children when they are playing outside in the summer. Why three trees I hear you ask, one for each of the year groups at KMS to nurture and as a legacy for the Y8s to pass on to future generations. Three because we know they will be expensive, saplings are prone to damage by the weather and vandalism, whereas a more substantial tree will not be so easily broken and bent in the elements.

We hope you will help us with this project and donate as much as you can spare to help us achieve this goal.

To donate via ParentPay look for the Plant a Tree for the Jubilee account. A variable amount from £2 to £30 has been set up on ParentPay. Please do not feel obliged to pay the maximum amount. It is just the way the system works to allow us to put in a variable amount.

Seniors Jubilee Tea



Kirkburton Beerfest



School Safeguarding Contacts

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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

