

# Kirkburton Middle School - Parent Bulletin 17 June – 1 July

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#### A word from the Head

Welcome to our fortnightly parent bulletin, I hope you and your family are well. We've got another packed bulletin as, once again, our pupils have been extremely busy both within and outside of school.

The first two weeks of our final half-term have been very positive and it has been lovely hearing all about the Jubilee Celebrations that the children have taken part in. It sounds like there have been some wonderful community events across all our villages. It was also great to see the school grounds full of people as the annual Kirkburton Beer festival returned for the first time since the pandemic.

I had the pleasure of visiting Highburton Frist School this week, along with Mr Parker and Miss Sharples, for our final transition visit. It seems the Year 5 pupils are just as excited about their transition week at the end of term as we are. Not long now.

We've got even less time until our Year 8s depart for Shelley College. I've said it before but will say it again, they are a wonderful year group and are fantastic role models for the rest of the school. Plans are well underway for their leaving assembly and barbecue as well as the return of the traditional leavers trip to Drayton Manor theme park. We recognise transition can be an unsettling time for pupils so please do not hesitate to contact school if we can support in any way.

We are also able to offer support once the pupils have left us so again, please do get in touch if we can help in any way. At this moment in time, we know the most about your child's education.

Our summer of sport is progressing extremely well with a number of highly impressive performances both within school and outside of school. Well done to those track and field athletes who represented KMS at regional level this week – a fantastic experience to be competing against some top level athletes. Things are looking very good for our upcoming sports days. Well done also to the Year 6 cricket team who have successfully competed at both district and county level.

Away from sport, we've had a very busy time in the maths department. We've had some superb results from the UK maths challenge – see below to see how you would get on! Year 6 have also completed their bakery project complete with bun sale. Thank you to parents for your support with the baking; it was a great event.

It has been lovely to see the return of some warm weather this week however with this comes the associated risks of exposure to the sun. Pupils will spend at least an hour outside each day so we advise they bring a sun hat and wear cream on very warm days.

Finally a big thank you to those parents who contributed to the recent uniform survey. The results of the survey are attached to this bulletin together with our response and expectation for next year. Uniform is an issue which often divides opinion however we have made a decision on our expectations for next year and would ask for your support with this matter. If you have any questions about school uniform, or are concerned about the cost of uniform, please contact school and we'll support as much as we can.

I hope you have a lovely weekend. Mr Taylor

#### **Summer Showcase**

Our Summer Showcase will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm. You are warmly invited to an evening of music, dance, singing and drama. Tickets are available on ParentPay.



We have three hampers to win! They are not quite full yet! Proceeds from the raffle will be split between Kirkwood Hospice, in memory of our much-loved colleague Mrs Pankhurst, and the school Performing Arts department. Tickets can be purchased at break times. £1 per ticket or £3 for a strip of 5. The draw takes place Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **IMPORTANT!** - Office Email Addresses

Please note our office email addresses have changed -

The main office/reception email address is

Kirkburtonoffice@themast.co.uk

For <u>all</u> attendance issues including absences, medical appointments and reasons for being late or out of school please email Diane Allen at <a href="mailto:Kirkburtonattendance@themast.co.uk">Kirkburtonattendance@themast.co.uk</a>

#### **Lost Property**

Our lost property cupboard is getting full again. This time with school jumpers! 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 send out messages on the daily bulletin to the pupils with photos of recently 'lost' items for them to try and identify their belongings.

#### **Term Dates 2022-23**

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

#### **Key Dates**

Y8 Reports Issued	28 June 2022	
Y7 Reports Issued	29 June 2022	
Summer Show	29 June 2022 at 6.30pm	
Y6 Reports Issued	30 June 2022	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Y8 HPV Jab	6 July 2022 – please note	
	change of date	
End of summer term	22 July	

#### **Year 6 Bakery Project**

After the SATs, the Maths department ran a Bakery Project which the children really enjoyed. We used Ratios to work out Recipes, cost of ingredients to work out Profit and Loss and even designed our own 3D packaging using Nets. It was really lovely to see all the children using their Maths skills for real life scenarios and how these link to using Maths skills



in Careers as well. The project came to an end last week where students could 'earn' tokens in their Maths lessons to exchange for cupcakes that the children had baked. We were overwhelmed by the creativity and skill



of the children who made and brought cupcakes in to the KMS Bakery! Thank you so much to parents for supporting this. There was a real buzz throughout Year 6 on Thursday. Well done to everyone who took part in the event!

#### 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, <a href="www.musicakirklees.org">www.musicakirklees.org</a> or by clicking on the link here <a href="https://www.musicakirklees.org/music-tuition/application-and-registration-forms">https://www.musicakirklees.org/music-tuition/application-and-registration-forms</a>

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.

#### 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.

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.

#### Remember To Donate Your Old School Uniform



# PLEASE HELP UNIFORM EXCHANGE BY DONATING YOUR OLD SCHOOL ITEMS

- School Uniform
- School & PE Bags
- Shoes & Trainers

Collection box is in school reception



I am sure most of your children will have grown out of their old school uniform by the end of the term or may be leaving to a new school. Please would you donate any no longer needed school uniform to Uniform Exchange our local recycling charity. They are in desperate need of school bags, trainers and football boots. They make sure every family has access to school uniform throughout the year no matter their financial need. There are over 50 donation points across Kirklees if you go to their website, you can see the locations in your postcode area. Our school does have a collection box for you to donate into. Thank you in advance for your support.

https://www.uniform-exchange.org/donation-points/

#### **Uniform Exchange - Free School Uniform**

Uniform Exchange have 1000's of items of recycled school uniform donated from all over Kirklees. This is available for all parents to access for their local school,

please complete the form on this link and we will get it out to you ASAP. We give away uniform on a first come first served basis, be aware logo items are limited. We had 100 requests last week so don't leave it too late.

https://www.uniform-exchange.org/free-school-uniform/

#### **KMS Uniform September 2022**

Attached to this bulletin are three documents pertaining to the uniform review carried out in response to the latest government guidance on the cost of school uniforms. Please take the time to read them. As always, please contact school should you have any questions or require any support in relation to school uniform. We are here to help.

#### **Extra-Curricular Activities after half term**

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







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)	

#### **Gymnastics**

Amelia H-W's team achieved silver in the team competition at Catterick last week. Amelia came 1st in bars and beam out of over 60 gymnasts.

The team did amazingly well; congratulations go to all of them.



#### West Yorkshire schools' athletics

Many congratulations to Chloe L who represented Kirklees in the West Yorkshire schools' athletics event on Saturday 11th June at Spenborough Athletics track. She won the 200m with a pb of 28.80s



#### Cricket

U11 Cricket Update. Congratulations to our wonderful Y6 cricketers who competed in the Kirklees Finals on Tuesday. A great day's cricket in a very strong competition. Team Two won 4 out if their 6 games but unfortunately lost out in going through to the semifinals on runs scored. They won their play-off though to finish 5th overall.

Team One were unbeaten throughout the competition and provided great entertainment and many nervy moments to become Kirklees Champions. They now progress to the West Yorkshire finals on Wednesday 15th June. All the boys in both teams were an absolute pleasure to take away and should feel very proud. Many

thanks to all the parents who came to support. Hope you enjoyed it as much as us.



### Food, glorious food!



We have sent you all an email regarding the Catering Surveys for Kirkburton Middle School.

Summer 2022 - Pupil Catering Questionnaire

#### Summer 2022 - Parent Catering Questionnaire

Could we please remind you that the deadline for responses is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. This will give us the opportunity to review responses and discuss with the Caterers in order to make improvements for September.

#### **UKMT Junior Maths Challenge**

87 pupils took part in this year UKMT Junior Maths challenge. The challenge is aimed at pupils in year 8 but entries from year 7 and below are also welcomed. The pupils had 25 multiple choice questions to answer

similar to the example below. If you would like to try this for yourself, you can download the paper here.

Half of a quarter of an eighth of a number is equal to

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8}$$

What is the number?

A. 14 B. 28 C. 24 D. 56 E. 64

#### **Results**

#### Year 6

Best in year 6 – Jibran

Bronze	Silver
Daniel	Freddie
Anabelle	Isaac
Alex	Jibran
Isabella	

**Year 7**Best in year 7 and in school – Alfie.

Bronze	Silver	Gold
Monty Maya	Martha	Tyrus
Zac Robyn	James	Lucy
Emma Emilia		Isaac
Holly Josh		Alfie
Harry		

Year 8
Best in year 8 – Raif

Bronze		Silver	Gold
Dixie	Jessica	Jack	Evie
Arthur	Nicholas	Рорру	Raif
Martha	Thomas	Arjun	
Lola	Maisy	Jacob	
Anusha	Samuel	Ethan	
Sofia	Maya	Joseph	
Phoebe	Marla	Zach	
Lewi	Jai	Joe	
Nathaniel	Poppy	Jasmine	
Oliver	Lily	Ellie	
Gracie	Charlie	Aaron	
Freya	Ethan	Grace	
Oscar	Ellie		
Jacob			



# Calling all residents of Kirkburton and Highburton How do you feel about where you live?

We'd like to ask you some questions about what life in Kirkburton and Highburton is like. We're looking for your views. We know that people make great places, so we'd like to ask how you feel about being here. Please take part by 25<sup>th</sup> June to let us know what you think of Burton now and what you want our future to look like: www.AskBurton.org.uk

Kirkburton and Highburton Community Association, want to find out what really matters to you in Burton. You can take part now, then find out the results later in the year.

Where: Kirkburton and Highburton When: from 4th to 25th June 2022

Ask Burton is organised by Kirkburton and Highburton Community Association. It is funded by Kirklees Council.



# **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