

Kirk Merrington Primary School Newsletter



Summer Term- 2nd Half

July 2017

Well it's certainly been a busy few weeks for the children with Leavers' assembly, Brass Performance, Sports Day, visits and end of club shows! The children have certainly been showing off their many talents. The children and staff have worked hard throughout the year and as a result we are celebrating some fantastic Sats results with 93% of our Year 6 children achieving the expected standard. We are also celebrating our best ever outcomes for the children at the end of Early Years and Year 2 Sats. An amazing achievement for us all!

We hope you all have a lovely holiday and a well-earned rest.

Mrs Murray

Farewell

We want to wish our lovely Year 6 children good luck as they move on to their secondary schools. They have all thrived here but are ready to make their next steps. We hope they take with them all school values and lots of lovely memories. They have been a pleasure!



Good Bye and Good Luck

Miss Pole and Miss Pattinson are both leaving us to go to university to progress into teaching. We want to thank them for their hard work and wish them the best of luck for the future. They have both been a real asset to the school and had an impact on many children.

Congratulations to Miss Armstrong who is getting married over the holidays. On her return in September she will be known as Mrs Kiteley.

PTA

The PTA are now starting to organise their next event which will be the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 29th September.

Can I take this opportunity to thank them for all of their hard work and the hours of time they put in for the benefit of all the children. Their efforts are greatly appreciated.

Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who attended the summer fair this year as we raised £906.00 (which is an amazing amount of money) In September the PTA will meet to decide how best to spend the money.

New members would be welcome if anyone is interested in joining. Any additional help would be gratefully received.

Headteacher for the day:

Elisa and Ellie had a taste of being Headteacher on Monday. They organised the timetables, wrote out certificates, helped write the newsletter and made some important decisions about the school. See their message below!

From September children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be allowed to bring one piece of fresh fruit each day (including raisins) to give them an energy boost until lunch. The younger children get a free piece of fruit every day already.

If the children bring unhealthy snacks the teachers will have to take it off them and they can get it back at the end of the day.



Dates for your diary:

5.9.17 Back to School

5.9.17 Meet the Teacher meeting for Year 1 and Year 2 children 5pm

6.9.17 Meet the Teacher meeting for Year 3, 4 & 5 children at 5pm

7.9.17 Meet the teacher meeting for Year 6 children at 5pm

29.9.17 Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

13.10.17 School Photographs- Individual

22.12.17 Teacher Training- PD Day

25.5.18 Teacher Training- PD Day

Sports Day

It was lovely to see so many family members watching Sports Day. We were so happy the weather held up! The children had a great morning with a good mix of fun and competitive activities.

Facebook

The school Facebook page has now been set up with the help of the ICT advisor from the Local Authority. It's all ready to go for September. Whilst we have taken every step to make the page as secure as possible it is a public page and so everyone needs to be aware what they are giving permission for.

Water

Thank you to those parents who have reinforced our request for children to have water in their drinking bottles. There are 4 pupils whose parents have requested juice for medical purposes but all other children are expected to have water. As a school we must be seen to promote healthy eating and encourage children to look after their teeth.

Website

Please check our website for information. We have some new photographs on there, which look amazing!

www.kirkmerrington.durham.sch.uk

Lost Property

We have huge amounts of lost property. Please write your child's name in all of their uniform, especially their jumpers and cardigans!

Attendance

The school attendance is **96.7%**

Mrs Bell's class: 95.8%

Miss Goldsborough's class: 95.8%

Miss Peat's class: 97.6%

Miss Rawlings' class: 97.3%

Mrs Thirkell/Mrs O' Sullivan's class: 96.6%

**100% Attendance**

Well done to Ellie H, Elisa T, Autumn B, Harriet D, Isla S, Stephanie A, Imogen B, Gracie C, Ewan J, Ben C, Alex G and Ruby H who have all achieved 100% attendance this year. This is a fantastic achievement!

The children were rewarded in assembly with a certificate and a gift card.