



Kirk Merrington Primary School Newsletter

Summer Term 2

July 2025

The last half term is always the busiest and flies by so quickly.

The children continue to make fantastic progress which I strongly believe is down to our brilliant staff and the great relationships and support we have from our families. You can feel the inclusive atmosphere when you walk in and see the TEAM spirit everywhere you walk. Our children are at the heart of everything we do and we want them to leave us well educated but also lovely citizens and members of the community.

Thank you very much for the generous staff gifts, they are very much appreciated.

I wish you all a fantastic Summer break, I hope you get to enjoy some quality family time.

I look forward to seeing you back on Wednesday 3rd September.

Mrs Murray



Year 6:

Our Year 6 class put on a brilliant Leaver's Service last week.

It was entertaining from start to finish and really showed what talented children we have. The children have achieved well here academically but we all know children are far more than a test result. I know they are leaving us with our school values well embedded and they are well prepared for their next step.

I always say we have mixed emotions about our Year 6, we feel sad they are leaving us but at the same time, we know they are ready to move on and we hope they make the most of the new experiences and opportunities.

We wish them all every success and happiness.

We always enjoy hearing about their future achievements so please let us know!



100% Attendance:

A huge well done to:

Erica H, Benjamin M, Thomas V, Willow S, Ben W and Harry W who have all been at school every day this year!

I know some of you had 100% attendance last year too- amazing.

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Sports Day:

We had a lovely afternoon watching the children during Sports Day. It is great to see teamwork in action!!

It is also a great opportunity to see children race and take part competitively for those who excel in PE.

We are always proud of everyone who takes part, as some would choose not to! It takes a lot of courage and we admire their resilience.

After school clubs:

We will be sending out the club offer and the letter to sign up for the first half term on the first day back in **September**.

Training Days for 2025/2026:

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Monday 1st December 2025

Monday 20th July 2026

Wraparound Care:

We have a new breakfast club and after school provider called **Nutmeg and Sprout**. This is run by Gail Hobson, mum of Phoebe in Year 3. Gail was a parent governor here and currently works at Ferryhill School. Nutmeg and Sprout are still waiting for their Ofsted registration to be finalised but they will be up and running in September. There is a leaflet in the main entrance with more details!

Safeguarding:

Please do not park **or drop off** in the school staff car park. (unless you have a blue badge or school permit)

Please be aware we have a parent needing to drop off using the disabled bay and so a car will be coming in for drop off and pick up.

Concerns:

Should you have a concern about a child outside of school you can report this yourself anonymously on **03000 267979**.

Birthday cakes: We promote healthy eating in school but as you may guess, the children like to keep bringing cakes in on their birthday. Please be aware of allergies of other children in the class and the number.

If you choose to send a full cake then this **must be cut into the correct number of pieces** as staff cannot cut it.

We appreciate this has a cost attached so please do not feel any pressure to bring anything in.

Nuts:

Please ensure children do not bring any nut products in their packed lunch, including chocolate spread.

We are a nut free school due to children with allergies.

Keeping children safe is our number one priority and we always respond immediately to any concerns.



PTA

Thank you to the PTA for all their support for school and help with the fund raising and fun activities for the children throughout the year. The children have lots of new ideas for next year already!

They particularly loved their ice-cream treat on Monday!!



Goodbye and Welcome

We are saying goodbye today to Miss Pole who is moving to a new school to work in Early Years.

Mrs McDonough is leaving us to work with children with Special Educational Needs.

We would like to thank them for their hard work and wish them well.

Miss Goldsborough is now back full time from maternity leave and we are welcoming Miss Maughan and Miss Barnes to the staff.



Contact Details:

It is vital we have the correct contact details for you. Please let the school office know if you have any changes in phone numbers or names of emergency contacts who can pick up your child from school if needed.

Dates for the diary: (More information to follow nearer the time)

3.9.25 Back to school

8.9.25 Meet the teacher meetings 4:30pm or 5:00pm

17.10.25 Individual class photographs

24.10.25 Finish for half term

Assessment Dates for your diary:

(Please do not book holidays at this time)

Year 6 SATS- Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May 2026

Year 4 multiplication check any time in the 2 weeks from 1st June 2026

Year 1 Phonic Screening Check-wc: 8th June 2026

Year 2 Phonics for children who need to re-sit wc: 8th June 2026

We use the **STOP** sign to help children understand the word bullying.

Several Times On Purpose

