



# KIRKBYMOORSIDE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

9th February 2024

We hope you all have a lovely half term and that the children enjoyed their TT Rockstars. Thank you so much for your support with this—we managed to raise £1160!

We look forward to seeing you on the 19th February. Parking is becoming increasingly difficult at school time, please can you ensure that you leave plenty of time so that children can start their lessons at 8.40 am prompt?

Class	This week we have....	Next week ....
Wrens	We have been reading 'Real Superheroes' and talking about what we would like to be when we grow up. The poem we will be learning is 'Furry, Furry Squirrel'. In maths we have been introducing number 5 and counting out 5 objects. We have continued to link the correct number of objects to match numerals up to 5.	Wrens will be reading 'Mr wolf's Pancakes' and discussing our favourite pancake toppings. The poem we will be learning is 'Pancakes'. In maths we will be revisiting number 5 and exploring how it can be made in different ways using a combination of objects.
Robins	This week robins have explored the story 'On the Way Home' by Jill Murphy. We have considered if and when we should tell the truth. We have also been making up a story that isn't true. In maths we have been developing our growing confidence in pairs that make 5. We have also explored how to make 6 and 7 and know that 6 is 1 more than 5 and 7 is 2 more than 5.	During our first week back we will be introducing our new topic 'Growing'. We will start by exploring the book 'Meesha Makes Friends'. In maths we will be exploring when an amount is equal or not equal and how we can manipulate sets of objects to make them equal. We will be using the language 'more than', 'fewer than' and 'equal to'. We will be thinking about how everyone is special and unique and different to each other. We will be thinking about what makes a good friend and how we can all be good friends.
Woodpeckers and Kingfishers	This week we have continued with our narrative based on the story Leaf. We have been focusing on editing our writing, focusing on interesting adjectives and adding detail to writing. We have been looking at Judaism in RE, the Star of David, Jewish beliefs about God and learning a short prayer. In ICT we have continued our work with robots getting them to follow our given commands.	We will be focusing on diversity on the first week back. We are going to be looking at the book 'The Barnabus Project' which is all about abnormal animals who are being thrown away for being different. We will touch on the subjects of respect, being different and being an individual.
Puffins and Gannets	Puffins and Gannets have been looking at how characters are portrayed in Edward Tulane and been writing our diary extracts. In maths, Puffins have been focusing on measure in centimetres and meters. In science, both groups have been learning how to draw simple circuits using the correct symbols. In PSHE, both year groups have been looking at moving.	Gannets will be continuing to look at length and perimeter with a focus on the perimeter of rectilinear shapes and polygons. In English, we will be editing, improving and then publishing the final version of our diary entry. Our new book will be a A Dollop of Ghee and a Pot of Wisdom. In Science, we will be completing our electricity topic by exploring the role of switches in a series circuit before making our own switches and reporting on our findings.
Falcons and Ospreys	This week, year 5 and 6 have concluded reading 'Race to the Frozen North' as we learn about Matthew Henson's expeditions to the Arctic. In writing, year 5 have completed our recount writing about the planetarium visit and year 6 have deepened their understanding around sentence structures, based around the 'Titanium' video. In topic we have concluded our learning on Arctic and Antarctic explorers, created fact files and we have been concluding our topic in science on Earth and Space by looking at different phases of the moon. In maths, year 5 have begun the topic on fractions by multiplying fractions by integers and year 6 have continued their journey into investigating fractions, percentages and decimals.	After half term, Year 5 and 6 will continue our learning on Explorers and will turn to looking at mountainous explorers. We will be starting our topic with looking at Nepal and creating Nepalese dishes whilst writing instructions in English. This also feeds into our Global Curriculum topic of Cultural Diversity which will run throughout our lessons throughout the first week. Our Science topic will be forces and we will begin by looking at the different types of push and pull forces as well as gravity. In maths, Year 5 will continue their work on fractions, moving from multiplying fractions to finding fractions of amounts. Year 6 will begin their learning journey on algebra.



## House Points



Juniper	569
Cherry	676
Tulip	677
Oak	648

Stars of the



week.....

Wren's star	Amber Oscar
Robin's star	Riley Atkinson
Woodpecker's star	Reggie Cooke
Kingfisher's star	Freddie Taylor
Puffin's star	Caleb Burdett
Gannet's star	Lola Pearson
Falcon's star	Athena Stevens
Osprey's star	Layla Puddephatt
Head Teacher's star	Oliver Simpson + Fox Kaufman

## Diary Dates

Event	Date and time	Event	Date and time
School Closes for Half-term	Friday 9th February		
School re-opens	Monday 19th February		



## SCHOOL NEWS

### KIRKBYMOORSIDE OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

Are currently taking bookings for February half-term (12th-16th February) Sessions are available between 8am and 5pm.

Please get in touch to secure your place.

Tel: 01751 430997

Email: 522501@nyey.co.uk

Have a very happy half term break and we look forward to seeing everyone back in on Monday 19th February.

## FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Thank you to all who supported our cake stall on Wednesday's market. We made an impressive £230.50!!

The next meeting of the Friends will be on Tuesday 20th February at 6.30 pm. At the Kings Head—all welcome.

If you shop at the Co-op and haven't already, please choose Friends of Kirkbymoorside SP School as your local cause. It only takes a few minutes to activate and means we will get funding each time you shop. Money from the Community Fund will go towards paying for the existing line painting plus extras for early years. Go to [www.coop.co.uk](http://www.coop.co.uk) and click the Membership tab. Please encourage your friends and family to choose as their cause too.

Save the date! Sunday 5th May is Kirkby 10K day. Entries are open for the main event plus the 4K route for teens, fun runners or those new to running. Don't forget there will also be a mile race for our KS2 children plus the ever popular dash for the younger kids. A whole host of volunteers are also needed to make the event a success so if you don't fancy running, please do consider helping on the day. All the info you need is at [www.kirkbymoorside10k.com](http://www.kirkbymoorside10k.com)

Kirkbymoorside Fruit Group is running a workshop to graft apple trees on Saturday 24th February from 9am –12pm at the Moorside Room. The trees will be sold at future events to raise money for the school. No previous experience is needed, you'll just need to bring a stanley knife with a sharp blade. If you are interested in taking part, please email Chris at [kirkbyfruit@gmail.com](mailto:kirkbyfruit@gmail.com)

## IT Rockstars day!

