



# Kirby Muxloe Primary School

**Be Respectful.  
Be Independent.  
Be Thoughtful and Caring.**

## General Message from Mr Howles

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy and exciting half term and we have been so proud of how hard everyone has worked. It was wonderful to welcome so many of you in today as we fully restarted our Half Term Heroes assemblies. Those that were able to attend got to see what their children had been up to this term as well as see some personal awards presented.

It was also great to welcome back in-person parents evenings this week. We opted for a hybrid approach this time and we will be reviewing this ahead of the next ones in the Spring term.

Please read on to see the half term highlights!

Elliot Howles - Headteacher

### SAFEGUARDING

At Kirby Muxloe, we know it is of the utmost importance to have robust systems for protecting children and safeguarding their welfare. If you have a concern, please speak to Miss Jackson, the Senior designated teacher or you are welcome to talk to any member of staff and we will treat your concerns seriously within our safeguarding policies and procedures.

### USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS:

NSPCC: 0800 800 5000

Childline: 01455 636964

Social Service (Hinckley): 01455 636964

Social Service (Leicester): 0116 3050005

Non-emergency number for the Police: 0116 222 2222

## OPERATION ENCOMPASS

Our school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces. Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school we have ensured that our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Sharon Jackson, known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.



## Sports at KMPS

A huge well done to the two football teams that we took to our local tournaments in September. We were exceptionally proud of the teamwork, effort and determination shown by all children involved. We feel very proud of each and everyone of you who participated. Let's hope we continue to remain undefeated for the rest of the year 💙



## Cross Country

Well done to every child who participated in the first cross country event on Saturday 1st October 2022. It was great to see so much enthusiasm on the day. We look forward to seeing you all at the next cross country event.



THE PFA WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL KMPS CHILDREN TO THEIR

# HALLOWEEN DISCO

THURSDAY 27TH OCTOBER



Entrance price is £4.50 per child, which will include a drink and a small packet of sweets and a glow stick.

## Our Special Visitor

On Friday 30th September, we were visited by Olympic gold medalist Rebecca Adlington. She came to Kirby Muxloe Primary School and gave an assembly centred all around perseverance and hard work. The children were able to ask many questions and a lucky few were picked to hold and showcase her Olympic medals to the whole school.



## YEAR 6 TRIP – BEAUMANOR HALL

On Tuesday 4th October, Year 6 visited Beaumanor Hall for an Outdoor Adventure Day. We took part in lots of different activities across the day and came across lots of different challenges, as teams and on a personal level too. We learned that triangles are the strongest shape and used that knowledge to create a freestanding structure that held each team. Afterwards, we completed a challenge where one of our senses was temporarily impaired and we had to use our communication skills to help everyone succeed. We also took on some of the 'High Ropes' challenges. All in all, we had a really fantastic day and so much fun! We were so so so proud of each and every one of our children; they overcame so many fears, supported each other with kindness and care and they represented our school brilliantly.



## MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our MacMillan Coffee Afternoon. We raised an incredible £463.50 for a truly wonderful charity.

Thank you for every cake, raffle prize and donation - it wouldn't have been possible without all of your help.

We feel very proud and very grateful!

Thank you all,  
Mrs Orton





## Learning Journeys This Term



Year Reception have been learning all about habitats. We started by looking at ocean animals and later moved on to the farm, the jungle and have ended by looking at the forest. Each week, there has been a focus story to compliment the different habitats. We have been going on literacy adventures involving all of our different senses, thinking about what can be felt, what can be seen, what can be touched and what can be heard. We are really proud of how well they have all settled in.



Year 2 have been learning all about Julia Donaldson stories. They have read six books and have created some work inspired by her including some witches to go along with 'Room on the Broom' and some recreations of the Gruffalo. Alongside this, they have been working on retelling and sequencing stories and creating their own endings.



Year 1 have been focussing on 'Creatures Old and New', which involved learning about dinosaurs & fossils and even classified animals. They have also been learning all about the harvest where the children retold the story of 'The Enormous Turnip'. We have been really impressed with them this term.



Year 3 have worked really hard this term learning all about the Ancient Egyptians. They've located Egypt on maps, researched Howard Carter and even experimented with hieroglyphics by writing their names.



Year 4 have been learning all about staying healthy. We started off with exploring different parts of the brain and looking at both mental and physical health. We also studied different types of germs with our mouldy bread experiment. After this, we investigated different organs and the role that they play within our bodies. We also wrote a diary entry following a piece of food and its journey through the digestive system. Finally, we have ended our learning journey with some work on first aid.



Year 5 have been exploring Space this term. We have learned about our solar system and the the movements of the planets and the Moon as well as the history of space exploration. We have also been investigating the forces of gravity, friction, air resistance and water resistance.



Year six have spent this half term learning all about South America. We studied the physical and human geography of the continent and learnt specifically about life for a child in Brazil. During our PE sessions we even mastered the art of Capoeira! We spent the final two weeks creating poetry based on the Amazon and newspaper articles based on endangered animals. Our DT lessons have resulted in some truly exceptional Rio Carnival floats too!

## Choir at the Kirby

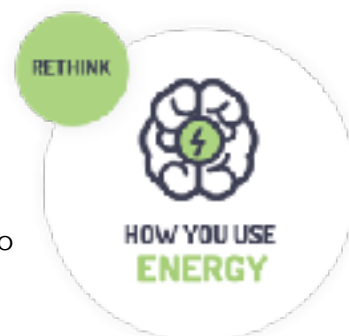
### Muxloe Fun Day!

Our wonderful choir performed at the Kirby Muxloe Fun Day on Sunday 11th September. They sang beautifully and were a credit to the school. Well done!



## Eco Team

Our wonderful new Eco Warriors have been appointed this term. We have met once and have begun an eco review of the school to see how we can improve this forthcoming idea. They have lots of fantastic ideas to help us reduce our energy usage. It has been a pleasure to see them so engaged.



Miss Kenney.

## Braunstone Foodshare

To all the staff, pupils and parents at Kirby Muxloe Primary School.

We are sending you this letter to say a massive thank you for the recent Harvest Festival Donation to our Food Bank. The Food Bank relies on donations to support the most vulnerable people in our community.

We would like to thank your organisation for coming together to support our cause and appreciate the donations of the children, parents and teachers whose phenomenal effort is extremely humbling.

We hope to see you again next year. Thanks again,

Braunstone Foodshare.





## Scarecrow Festival






# Famous Mathematicians

## LEONHARD EULER

1707-1783

Swiss mathematician, physicist, engineer, astronomer, and natural philosopher, in the latter capacity being one of the greatest scientific minds of the 18th century.




Georgeie, 5R

## Albert Einstein


1879-1955

Physicist, mathematician, and philosopher. He is best known for his theory of relativity, which revolutionized our understanding of space and time.




Jade, 4P

## ALANTURING LIVED FROM 1912



Alan Turing was a brilliant mathematician and computer scientist. He is known for his work on artificial intelligence and the Turing Test.


Flo, 5CF



Abigail & Harper, 4P

Thank you so much to everyone who was inspired to research and create a piece of work about a famous mathematician. I have been really impressed by your hard work and this is just a selection of what I received

## JEKKA TAO




Chinese mathematician and physicist. He is known for his work on the theory of relativity and the development of the first Chinese computer.

Olivia, 5CF


What I love most about them all (including the ones I couldn't squeeze onto this page) is the enthusiasm you have shown towards learning something new and how excited you have been to share them with me.

I look forward to seeing what comes from my next challenge!

Miss Felsinger



Iskand, 5CF



## Sir Isaac Newton

1643-1726

English natural philosopher, mathematician, and scientist. He is best known for his laws of motion and universal gravitation.


Ella, 4P

## Introduction

Do you know about one of the most amazing scientists ever? His name was Archimedes and he was a genius!

If you think you know about him, well maybe not so much!


Find out a bit more about his life and how he changed the world!



## What he did and why it is important

$\pi$

The value of  $\pi$  is 3.14159... and it goes on forever. It is normally used when you are calculating the area of a circle or the circumference of a circle.



Aniya, 4TN

Archimedes proved, among many other geometrical results, that the volume of a sphere is two-thirds of a cylinder. This he considered his most significant accomplishment, requesting that a representation of a sphere circumscribing a cylinder be inscribed on his tomb.