

# **Kirby Muxloe Primary School**

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# **General Message from Mr Howles**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am really pleased to introduce another amazing newsletter, with content from our staff and pupils which Mr Culley has compiled.

As you will see, KMPS has been a very busy place this half term with sporting success, beautiful bakes, fantastic fundraising and magnificent musical theatre!

These articles are representative of the amazing hard work and wonderful attitude to school life that KMPS children show on a daily basis. A big thanks for your support at home and to our fantastic hard working staff team here.

When we all come back from a well deserved break, we have more key events to look forward to including the recently announced sports day and Year 6 Sats.

I hope you all have a great Easter break.

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: 0808 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.



# Year 4 Bake Off Experience!

Avanika Pooni and Harper Thompson were selected to go to Brookvale High school on Tuesday 28th March after showing off their baking skills at home. They made Pizza Pinwheels in the stateof-the-art kitchen facilities with expert teachers sharing their cooking skills and top tips. They were joined by lots of other primary school children. Harper said "I really liked how we could bake Pizza Pinwheels and not just ordinary Pizzas and I loved how they taught us what to do at each stage". Avanika said " It was really good as they taught us how to cut with a knife carefully". Both children had lots of fun getting their hands nice and sticky and really benefitted from the demonstrations and seeing how cooking at the High School works. The staff at the High School were really complimentary about how well these children represented our school.



Miss Pickard

## **Stay and Read**



This term has seen the relaunch of our successful 'Stay and Read' sessions. Reception, Year 1 and 2 have invited in parents and relatives to spend some time in class and choose stories to share. It has been so lovely to see so many of you in attendance and the children have loved it too.

### Year 5 & 6 Football Team

The Year 5&6 football team played a tremendous match at Stafford Leys on Wednesday 15th February 2023. After initially conceding a goal, we then went onto win 3-7. We are exceptionally proud of our team! They demonstrated incredible teamwork, enthusiasm and positivity throughout.

Well done all 💗 💽 ... Mr Rowley & Mrs Orton



## **Comic Relief**

Year 5 organised a wonderful fundraising day for Comic Relief. All children and staff were invited to dress up as a Mr Men or Little Miss character or wear red for the day. On the day, the children also completed some work on designing their own Mr Men or Little Miss character.

The children became stand up comedians! Many of the children recorded videos of themselves at home telling some very funny jokes which were compiled together and shown in assembly.

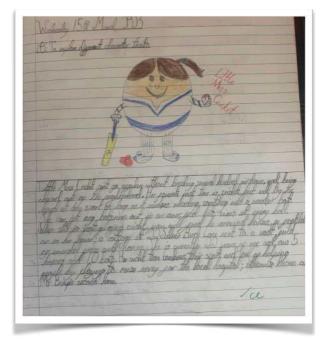
Alongside this, there was a designing competition where some winning designs from Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 were printed professionally onto t-shirts.

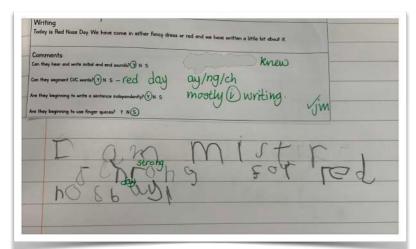
With all of the different fundraising events, we are incredibly proud to announce that we managed to raise £905.85. Without our wonderful community of staff, families and children, we wouldn't be able to support charities to the extent that we do. Thank you!

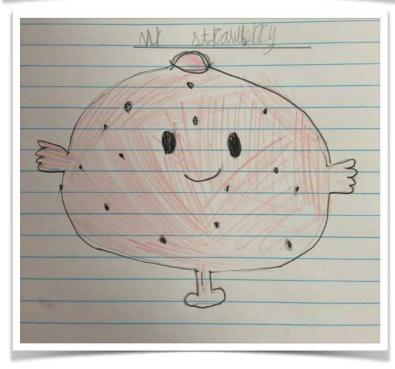


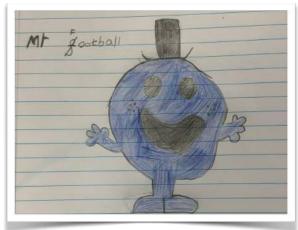
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### Learning Journeys This Term



Year Reception have been Around the World this half term, travelling to different continents each week with a key focus on major countries within. They have learned some different languages, looked at varied climate zones, identified the animals that were present and have completed some non-fiction writing. Alongside this, the children created their own passports and took to the skies on Kirby airlines.



Year 2's learning journey this half term is titled Come Rain or Shine, where the children have investigated different climate zones and the weathers associated with them. Their writing has been centred around Lila and the Secret of the Rain by David Conway and Jude

Daly. They have made predictions on what is going to happen, planned a diary entry in Lila's perspective and had a go at writing



In Year 4, the children have been on a North American Road Trip. The children started by looking at all of the continents, the states of USA and different climate zones. Following this, the children compared some major cities within North America, focusing on New York where the children recreated Keith Harris' signature style. Next, they looked at Canadian animals and created their own classification key to help sort different animals. They also designed their own totem poles and made totem pole stories based on

these.



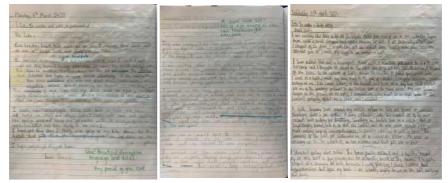
Year 1 have been pondering the question "Who Lives in a Place like this?" where they have learned about Kirby Muxloe and the different buildings and houses that preside within the village. They have also been on a walk to Kirby Castle which gave them the opportunity to explore the local area. In addition, they've extended their horizons and learned about children's lives in different



Year 3 have spent lots of time practising for their play, Troy Story. The children have been rehearsing every morning and every afternoon in preparation for their performances which took place this week. They have also completed lots of creative writes.



Year 5 started off this half term with Passion Projects and Bikeability. The children researched and created a piece of work based around something that they felt interested in and later presented it within their classes. Towards the end of this half term, the children started to learn about Changes of State, learning all about how liquids transform between liquids, gasses and solids.



Year 6's current learning journey is called 'From Hereabout Hill', which has been centred around three of Michael Morpugo's short stories. The children have had a go at writing postcards, diary entries and newspaper reports all relating to these fabulous stories.

# Eli's Snow Day Bake Sale

Eli in Year 4 organised a bake sale for Friday 10th March, but it was a snow day which meant that these plans were thrown in the air. Thinking creatively, Eli and his family decided to sell the baked goods from home instead to help raise money for Tommy's charity. They managed to raise £189.42 which is fantastic - we are very proud! A big thank you to Leo too who offered his help and donated some sweet cones for the sale.





# World Book Day

For World Book Day this year, we did lots of book related activities. Whilst we didn't dress up, we still enjoyed the day thoroughly.

Each year group had the opportunity to share their reading with another year group. This was lovely to see and such a great way to showcase what great readers we have at school!

Alongside this, all of the teachers did a class swap where they read a book of their choice to another class. Again, this was wonderful and many of the teachers enjoyed sharing their love for reading with another year group. WORLD BOOK DAY

# Year 3 Show - Troy Story

Year 3 have been very hard at work this half term learning all about the Trojan War through our play. They performed it once to the whole school and twice to parents, carers and other family members. The children really have worked incredibly hard and have pulled together such an incredible play. From fabulous singing to ferocious fight scenes, the children really have embodied Greek and Trojan soldiers. Well done Year 3!

Year 3 also just wanted to say a massive thank you to everybody that made the play possible. Thank you to the incredible staff who made props and pained the set, to the parents, carers and families who helped children to learn lines and songs and to everybody who has been involved in organising the play including the office and Mr Grocock. Without all of this, the production wouldn't have happened.

