



Kirby Muxloe Primary School

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

General Message from Mr Howles

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great start back to the year and the half term break is already upon us.

As you read on you will learn about many things that have happened this half term and the variety of opportunities that the children have accessed. At the heart of many of them is the passion and the commitment that the children show and how this enables them to achieve in so many different ways.

I have been so pleased to see many parents and carers involved in wider school life. This has included the great support shown during the recent Macmillan coffee afternoon, new Reception parents welcome event and the ongoing support shown by our PFA. It was also lovely to see so many of you at the parents evening last week.

I hope you are able to have a great half term break and look forward to welcoming you back for another exciting 8 weeks.

Best Wishes

Elliot Howles - Headteacher

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.

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



Attendance & Percentages Meaning

97% and above

Pupils with this attendance should achieve the best possible outcomes.

96%

Equates to **8 days absence** in school. Pupils with this attendance are likely to achieve their targets.

92%

Equates to **15 days absence in a school year**. Pupils with this attendance are missing 3 weeks of school per year. It will be difficult for them to achieve their best.

90% -

Equates to **19 days absence over the school year**. Pupils with this attendance are missing approximately **a month (19 days) of school per year** and may fall behind academically.

90% and below:

The Department for Education consider children to be a 'Persistent Absentee'.

85%

Equates to **29 days absence in a school year**. These pupils are missing approximately **6 weeks of school a year**. It will be very difficult for them to keep up and achieve their best.

80-75%

Pupils with this attendance are missing **a day for every week of school**. It will be almost impossible for them to keep up with work.

We can help!

If your child is poorly, but is well enough to come to school, we can administer medication and medicine. We just need a parent/carer to complete a medication form from the school office.



If you have any concerns about attendance or you have trouble with encouraging your child to come to school, please talk to the class teacher who will be able to support. Miss Jackson is also around in school if you wanted any further advice.



Welcome to Reception!

We wanted to wish a warm welcome to all of the new families joining us as their little ones enter EYFS at KMPS. We're so impressed with the children and the efforts that they've shown us so far.

You can check what your child has been up to in the day through Tapestry and through our regular EYFS letters which document what the children have been learning about.



Year 3 Beaumanor Trip

On Tuesday 15th October, Year 3 went to Beaumanor Hall for their Stone Age and Iron Age Celts Day.

They learnt about the timeline of this historical era with excellent 'Iron Age Celt' leaders dressed in character. They also looked at what daily life would have been like in those days and went into the real-life sized roundhouse where we all appreciated

how much we value electric lights as well as a mattress not made of straw! We worked on our weaving, grinding of oats to make flour, making clay jewellery and using blue face paints to ensure we looked warrior like. Finally, we worked on our warrior skills by re-enacting some battles which was a favourite activity of so many children as well as exploring the beautiful grounds on Beaumanor to undertake a runes treasure trail where we were deciphering the meaning of this ancient way of representing letters. A big thank you to all of the wonderful helpers who made this day possible by giving up their own time.



YEAR 1 HARVEST

Thank you to everyone for their donations for Harvest. Braunstone Food Share were absolutely thrilled with the amount with huge amount of food donated and asked us to pass on their sincere thanks to everyone.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you so much for all of the cakes, prizes, help and support. This afternoon was a real success. We raised an incredible £359.50. Without your support, we wouldn't be able to put on events like these or raise money for such important charities. Thank you again!



Space Centre - Year 5 Trip

On Thursday 10th October, Year Five visited the National Space Centre as part of their 'Earth and Beyond' Learning Journey. The children journeyed through Space in the Planetarium and took part in a Eggosat workshop. The trip gave the children the opportunity to demonstrate their fantastic knowledge, their impeccable behaviour and their wonderful science and DT skills. We were so proud of them - they really were 'out of this world'!





We're pleased to announce that Kirby Muxloe Primary School is part the My School Fund initiative. This innovative scheme allows for us to be able to boost our school's budget with your help.

How does it work?

Parents, guardians and carers can sign up to the scheme for free and start earning cashback on the things they buy in participating retail stores, including Sainsbury's and Argos. As you spend you'll receive 2% cashback in the form of eGift vouchers that can be redeemed in participating stores. By linking your spend to our school on the My School Fund website we'll also earn 1% cashback on your spend.

Add that all up across our school's network of families and together we can all make a big difference!

How to get involved

Visit myschoolfund.org to register for free and link to Kirby Muxloe Primary School. From there, everything you spend in participating stores will go towards helping boost our budget, plus your own!

Sign up today at myschoolfund.org

How is it spent?

With the funds raised in 23/24, we have been able to purchase a water play station for our EYFS children. Our children love playing and exploring with water and this new equipment will be a great addition to their outdoor play!



House Captains Bake Sale

On Monday 30th September our House Captains hosted a bake sale to raise money for a very exciting, and upcoming, project! They worked exceptionally hard to plan, organise, bake and sell - and the outcome was phenomenal. They raised over £166 to put towards their projects for the year. Thank you for your support! It would not have been possible without you all.

Thank you from Mrs Orton and The House Captains.



Cross Country

On Saturday 5th October, 39 of our children took part in cross country races at Brookvale. They all did brilliantly and everyone completed their races. Mr Arnold was very pleased & impressed to see such a great turnout for KMPS!



Football

Both the Year 5/6 Boys and the Y5/6 Girls football teams took part in football tournaments this half term. The boys, who played on 17th September, won all of their group games and the semifinal, but sadly lost during penalties in the final. They played brilliantly and showcased great sportsmanship. It was their first chance to play as a team and they performed brilliantly. The girls, who played on the 24th September, showed similar spirit & determination. For many of the girls, it was their first time playing competitive football. Mr Arnold is very impressed with their progress! The boys also played their first match in the Ricebowl, winning 9-2 against Parkland Primary School. They continued to show fabulous sportsmanship and great determination. We look forward to seeing their progression throughout the tournament with details of their next match soon to come.



Public Health School Nursing Service

Healthy Together is a universal service from Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust for children and their families from 0-11 in Leicestershire and Rutland.

Public Health (School) Nurses from Healthy Together are available to help you and your child in many different ways. You can find help and support with:

- Behaviour
- Continence
- Physical health
- Emotional health
 - Parenting
- Healthy lifestyles
- Diet and nutrition
- Plus much more

Your Public Health (School) Nursing team can be contacted via your child's school, or alternatively you can find the contact details [by selecting your child's school from the drop down list on our Health for Kids: Grownups website](#). [Discover more about the school nursing team here](#). If you need help to refer please talk to your class teacher or Miss Jackson.

ChatHealth

[ChatHealth](#) is a confidential text messaging service provided by Healthy Together that enables parents and carers to contact their Public Health (School) Nursing team for advice and support. You can get in touch for advice and guidance about any aspect of your child's physical or emotional health.

Text a Public Health (School) Nurse on: [07520 615 382](tel:07520615382)

The service operates between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday, excluding bank holidays. The team aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm your message has been received. If you need help before you hear back, you should visit your local walk-in centre, GP or call 111. In an emergency, call 999.

