



## NEWSLETTER 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

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### Great News

- Year 2 Trip to the Coal Mining Museum will take place on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Don't forget to be on time to school so your child can take part in this really exciting and educational day! Children will gain a real insight into the past, what it was like to be a miner and to work down a mine. They will learn lots of new language and vocabulary to discuss and use in their writing and drama work. The visit will include a super workshop led by the National Mining Team. They will study artefacts and compare past and present. It will also be great to see the art work which will come from this visit!
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October-Year 1 Visit to Pontefract Castle and Dungeons! Another fantastic learning opportunity please ensure donations are sent in by the closing date to ensure that the trip can go ahead
- The recently elected School Council are visiting The Grove on Friday morning to have tea with Madam Mayor of South Kirkby. Look out for some great photos on Twitter/School website
- Following interviews on Tuesday Miss Pursglove currently in Butterflies will be staying with the team for 1 year! Congratulations once again!

### Read, Write, Inc

We will be holding our first Read, Write, Inc Parents Workshop on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 9am.

During this morning you will have chance to find out more about our new phonics and reading scheme in school and we are hoping that we will be able to take you to watch some real life learning in school as it happens. Please put this date in your diary - we know you will enjoy seeing your children in their lessons.

### PTA

Thank you to those parents who joined us for our first PTA meeting on Wednesday afternoon. We have already discussed many events we want to organise to raise money for the school in order to pay for trips/experiences for our children to remember forever.

We will be holding our next meeting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 2pm to finalise plans for the Halloween Disco on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October. Please do join us for this meeting if you can - by working together we can make our children have some fantastic memories!

We will also be sending out a PTA questionnaire in the coming weeks as we are keen to find out what you would like to raise money for and if you have any ideas on how to do this. Even if you cannot join the PTA, you can help us in other ways 😊.



**Attendance**  
**SCHOOL TARGET 95%**

**Best Attendance Award goes to: KOALAS** with 97.04%. Koalas will sit at the captain's table at lunchtime as a special treat.

**Attendance this week: 92.75%**

**Lates this week: 21**

**Class Attendance this week:** Dolphins 91.72%, Turtles 93.45%, Zebras 90.38%, Starfish 93.55%, Oysters 90.34%

**Behaviour for Learning**

**Special Mentions Award**- Well done for making a fabulous start to the new academic year.

**It's Good to be Green!** Congratulations to all children who stayed in Green all week!

**Behaviour for Learning Awards** Congratulations to all of those children who have received learning tokens this week. We had Bronze Awards this week, a BIG well done to those children!

**Well Done Texts** Congratulations to those children who received a text from their class teacher for their great behaviour for learning!

**Star Awards** Super star learning! Well done to all children who received a star award this week!!

**Headlice**

Nobody likes headlice and at the moment we are finding a large number of children in every year group in school has these 'visitors'. Please can we ask that you do check your child's hair at least once a week and treat your child immediately if they do have headlice.

Thank you.

**Macmillan Coffee Afternoon**

Please do not forget about our Bake Off next Friday! We really hope you will bake and decorate cakes/buns/biscuits and make this a fun event for our children.

We will have a café from 1.30pm in school for parents to come and have cake and tea/coffee and the children will be joining us to enjoy a big piece of cake and make a small 50p donation. We really do hope you will join us!

**Parent Governor Vacancies**

**Are you interested in the learning journey of your child? Would you like to be involved in that journey? If so we have a number of vacancies for Parent Governors.**

**Or do you know anyone in your community, family, extended family who would make a great Governor!**

**See application forms attached**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September - Year 2 Trip to National Mining Museum

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September - Macmillan Coffee Afternoon (see above)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Scholastic Book Fair

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October - Year 1 Trip to Pontefract Castle

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Harvest Celebration (KS1)

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October - PTA Halloween Disco

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October - School Closes

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October - School Closed to children

Over the next few weeks we will be sending you a list of prospective diary dates for the whole academic year so that you can organise your diaries so you do not miss any important events. Of course, we will be making sure that we liaise closely with South Kirkby Academy so that we never double book!

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Deborah Batty

Headteacher