

MRS N'S NOTES



YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE OF LIFE IN KIRKSHAW'S



CHILD PROTECTION

Any child protection concerns should be shared with the child protection coordinator for the school and nursery: **Mrs Alison Nicolson, Head Teacher**. In her absence, Mr Sharp and Mrs McGarry (Principal Teachers) will take on this role.

HEALTH & SAFETY

I have had further concerns raised around parking near the school at 3pm. There are legitimate concerns that cars parked on pavements create a further hazard to an already busy road. I know that your primary concern is the safety of your child. Please work with us to ensure that ALL pedestrians are safe to walk along the pavement without the added danger of cars mounting the kerb. Thank you.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS LEARNING

We were delighted that so many families wanted to join us for our Healthy Families Club over recent weeks. Look out for more after-school and lunchtime clubs coming up in Term 2. Whether it is Multi-Sports or Arts & Crafts, there is a club for you! Remember, if you would like to lead any clubs, speak to Mr Sharp.



Challenge Poverty Week!

This week there has been a national focus on challenging poverty this week and we have been doing our bit in school too. On Monday we visited Coatbridge Foodbank with nine bags of groceries, all collected through our Harvest donations. A further nine bags were also delivered to the residents of St James' Way on Tuesday. Thank you for every tin and packet handed in last week. As they say...every little helps! Remember the Foodbank is there throughout the year; whether you need a little bit of help yourself, or you are in a position to support them.

Food has remained a theme for us as we have looked at other ways we challenge poverty as a local authority. All pupils in P.1-3 and all pupils eligible for a free school meal are entitled to a **free** breakfast at our school **Breakfast Club** which runs from Monday to Friday every week. For all other pupils there is a daily charge of £1, with a sliding scale for families with more than one child. Mrs Stewart greets the pupils each morning at 8.15am in the dinner hall for food and games. No need to book, just come on the mornings that suit you. Also, remember that **Club 365** will operate every day we are on holiday next week. All pupils who are entitled to a free school meal will receive lunch and activities with no payment required.





NURSERY NEWS

We all enjoyed being outside today on our Autumn Walks. We walked to the park and found many signs of the changing seasons. When you are on holiday next week, see what you can find and come back to nursery ready to share your news with everyone.

Please remember everyone needs to keep a change of clothes in nursery. With the change in weather we don't want to be dirty or damp.

While we are all on holiday we are expecting some refurbishment works to be going ahead next week. We are looking forward to coming back to new flooring in the playroom and toilets.

Please remember the Jellybean Man if you can. Nursery families are invited to contribute £2 per week to our nursery fund. This money goes right back to your child in the form of daily snacks and local outings.

BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, SUCCEED

It is worth keeping in mind that help is also available if you need to replace a school uniform. Contact **Cool School Uniforms** on **07596265879** or through their Facebook page for confidential support.

In Other News...

We enjoyed many sporting events this week. Our Football Team had their first game of the season; playing against St Timothy's in the Friendship League. We may not have won the match, but we are proud of the way our boys and girls played; demonstrating determination, sportsmanship and a positive attitude. Well done to the team and Mr Gall for all your hard work!

Today two teams attended a girls' netball and football festival. What fabulous results for our teams, winning many matches. Once again, Mr Sharp and Mrs Dillon reported that everyone demonstrated that Kirkshaws spirit we have come to expect. Resilience, Friendship, Trust, Honesty and Respect - all our school values practised in one morning!

Unfortunately our Cross Country runners didn't get the chance to complete this week. Bad weather on Thursday meant that the course was not safe to run. A new date has been set for 27.11.19, so we'll be ready for that!

Don't Forget...

We are on holiday next week and return to school and nursery on Monday 21 October at the usual times. We start back with **Week 1** of our existing menu.

Monday 21.10.19	P.7 Bikeability continues
Tuesday 22.10.19	P.7 Citizenship Lesson from Coatbridge High School
Wednesday 23.10.19	Miss Ralston to the Knowledge Exchange Programme Miss Wyatt meeting with Jupiter Artland Arts & Crafts Club starts after school
Thursday 24.10.19	Sports Committee Meeting
Friday 25.10.19	Celebration Assembly P.6 Public Speaking visit from Coatbridge High School Kodaly Music and Choir
Following Week	Teaching student starts in Primary 1 Parent Council Discos Fancy Dress Parade