

# MRS N'S NOTES



YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE OF LIFE IN KIRKSHAW'S



## CHILD PROTECTION

All Child Protection concerns should be directed to **Alison Nicolson, Head Teacher & Child Protection Co-ordinator.**

## HEALTH & WELLBEING

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD WEARS A JACKET TO SCHOOL EACH DAY.**

Please remember that our school building and all our grounds are non-smoking areas. This includes e-cigarettes. It is also not permitted to smoke immediately outside the gates, where our pupils are entering or leaving the grounds.

## NUMERACY

We know that many pupils enjoy the challenge of on-line games and this has been proved to be true in school too. Last session we took part in SumDog competitions throughout the year. This was a huge success, with everyone trying to beat our CHAMPION, ETHAN! Mr Sharp issued SumDog and Active Learn log in information today...will Ethan retain his crown? I'll keep you posted!



## Teamwork Works!



"I couldn't do it without you"... You'll hear me say this over and over again throughout the school day. Whether I am talking to staff, visitors, monitors, pupils or parents, I say it often and I mean it every time. Steering a school community through the

storms of a typical week is not a one-man job. Without my team of dedicated workers, I would not keep my head above water!

This week demonstrated this at so many levels. Monday started off with meetings of our Fundraiser and Parent Council committees. This group of parents have committed hours, months and, in some cases, years to working for the benefit of our learners. It is not an easy task to organise events, drum up support or source funding from grants, but they do all of this and more each





## NURSERY NEWS

Well, look at how posh our snack area is now! Thanks to our Fundraisers, we have been able to purchase new tableware to enhance our dining experience! Not only does it look fabulous, this is also proving to encourage independence, problem solving and a relaxing, calm atmosphere around our food.

Looking ahead to next week, Miss Ralston has had many requests to restart her Bookbug sessions. If you have never been before **PLEASE** speak to her about it. It is fun for both the adults and the children. All parents or other carers are welcome. This week we will meet on Wednesday at the beginning of your Nursery session.



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school year. Nothing stands still when you are aiming for improvements and this work is a prime example of this. The ladies in the groups are carefully considering what works well, what they want to improve and how they are going to manage this. We met for two hours on Monday night, but that wasn't the end of the story. They have continued to consider all of this throughout the week and I now have a huge list of ideas as to how we can refresh our fundraising events throughout the year. I look forward to seeing what they have in store for us.

Then we had our Homework Workshop last night. Mr Sharp presented our plans so far! Our teachers have been working on this since June, trying to make homework more purposeful, interesting and motivating. Huge thanks must go to everyone who attended. It was most encouraging to hear your opinions and take your guidance as to how we can fine-tune these new plans.

I must ask that we now continue this teamwork, out into our community. Parking remains an issue and I know you join me in worrying about the safety of our pupils at 9am and 3pm. If you must drive to school, please continue to park a short distance from the school gates and park legally...aiming for safety AND neighbourhood spirit.

**Don't forget**...Next week we will have **Week 1** Lunch Menu, plus the following events taking place:

<b>Monday</b> 2.9.19	Photographer Day 1 (Remember if you have babies or toddlers, come to the hall between 8.30am and 9am and we'll get those shots done first.) Football Team Trials
<b>Tuesday</b> 3.9.19	Photographer Day 2 Mrs Nicolson meeting with our Family Group schools Life Coach to visit P.6 & P.7
<b>Wednesday</b> 4.9.19	Fluoride Varnishing, from Nursery to P.4 Book bug restarting for Nursery families; 9am and 12.45pm We will welcome a Foundation Apprentice in the Nursery
<b>Thursday</b> 5.9.19	Green Gang gardening continues P.6 Sports Leaders Training Sports Committee Meeting
<b>Friday</b> 6.9.19	Celebration Assembly Kodaly Music for P.5
<b>The Following Week</b>	P.6 & P.7 Sports Leaders Training JRSO Training Event Mini Movers in our Nursery Healthy Families Club starts