



SKA HEADLINES

Friday 2nd December 2022

Please have a quick read to keep up to date with everything going on at school. Don't forget to follow our social media pages and keep up to date with letters on our school website – the details are at the bottom of the page.

Poppy Appeal

You raised **£167.67** for the Poppy Appeal! What a great result. Without your help, the Royal British Legion would not be able to continue their work.



Communicating with School – Reminder

Just a polite reminder that staff at SKA are always on hand to sort any issues you may have. In the first instance, please catch your child's class teacher (preferably at the end of the day as at the beginning of the day, they are busy welcoming the children).

Members of the senior leadership team are usually on the playground at the beginning and end of the day, as is Mrs Studd (our attendance officer) so feel free to speak to us then too.

Lost Property and Naming Items

The lost property box is overflowing! Please come into school if you are missing any items of uniform or P.E. kit. The box is in the main foyer.

Please help us keep track of uniform items by making sure each item of clothing is labelled with your child's name.

Bag 2 School – 'The more we weigh, the more we pay'

Thank you for your donations so far – you have already raised £52 for our school PTA fund to buy some new giant games for the children to play outside.

Please bring any further donations into the office.



Wakefield Cost of Living Support

Please click on the following link to open a guide book with advisory services and support linked to the current cost of living crisis. This will open an electronic booklet.

[Wakefield Cost of Living Support - V1 \(pagetiger.com\)](https://www.pagetiger.com/wakefield-cost-of-living-support-v1)

School Calendar There are a few dates to be aware of for next week:

Date	Event
Monday 5th December	Year 4 Swimming today – please remember swimming kits
Tuesday 6th December	Year 6 sports club
Wednesday 7th December	Year 4 sports club
Thursday 8th December	Year 5 & 6 football club, Young Voices club, Games club, Year 3 sports club
Friday 9th December	Coffee club – all welcome – 8:45am start **please note change of day** Christmas jumper and Christmas Dinner Day – Please order and pay on MCAS

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Christmas Events

I sent a text with a link to our updated calendar of events. This can be found below and by clicking this link: [Autumn-Christmas-Events-Update.pdf \(southkirkbyacademy.org\)](#)

Event:	Date:
Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner*	Friday 9 th December 2022
Christmas Craft, Carol and Coffee Morning, followed by Christmas Fayre – Families Invited*	Tuesday 13 th December 2022
Autumn Progress Reports to Families	Wednesday 14 th December 2022
Year 3 Nativity – Families Invited*	Thursday 15 th December 2022
Christmas Parties in Class (am)* The SKA Christmas Sing-Off (pm)	Friday 16 th December 2022
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	School closes Friday 16 th December 2022 (3:20pm)
BANK HOLIDAY (IN LIEU OF NEW YEAR'S DAY)	Monday 2 nd January 2023
INSET DAY – SCHOOL OPEN FOR STAFF ONLY	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023 <small>This is instead of the INSET on Monday 5th June 2023.</small>
BACK TO SCHOOL	Wednesday 4 th January 2023

Christmas Craft Morning

A letter was sent out this week about our Christmas Craft morning. Click the link to open this letter. [Christmas-Craft-Morning.pdf \(southkirkbyacademy.org\)](#)



After School Club Notice

After school clubs will not run during the final week of term (**week commencing Monday 12th December 2022**) due to a number of Christmas events happening that week. Thank you for your understanding.

Attendance Matters (Our school attendance target is 95%)

Bugs and germs have spread through school this week so unfortunately our whole school attendance figure for **Week 12** is **91.2%** which is better than last week. Let's try and get this back up to our school target of 95% next week!

Our class attendance this week:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Bretton 92%	Fairburn 94%	Brodsworth 86%	Ackworth 85%
Nostell 98%	Waterton 87%	Wragby 90%	Wentbridge 96%

Well done to **Nostell Class** for winning this week's attendance award with **98%** attendance. What a great result! **As their reward, they are welcome to come to school in non-uniform on Thursday 8th December 2022.** Friday 9th December 2022 is our school Christmas dinner day.

Have a lovely weekend.

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