

# **SKA HEADLINES**

## Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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.

#### **Upcoming Dates**

Please look at the calendar below - this was shared on a separate letter. Further information will be shared about each of the events nearer the time.

Event:	Date:		
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week		
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Progress Meetings – WHOLE SCHOOL (3:30pm – 6pm)		
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Special Person Coffee Morning – 9:30am-10:30am – Please see		
	poster shared by PTA		
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day – see details below		
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Spring Progress Meetings – YEAR 6 ONLY (1pm – 3:30pm)		
(Rescheduled from 09.03.23)			
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3/4 Movie Night (£1 per ticket)		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Morning (details TBC)		
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5/6 Movie Night (£1 per ticket)		
EASTER HOLIDAYS	Break up <b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b> at 3:20pm		
START OF SUMMER TERM	Back to school Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 8:45am		

### Spring Progress Meetings - WHOLE SCHOOL (3:30pm - 6pm)

A reminder that our second round of meetings for you to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss how they are getting on are on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Please come through the main entrance and wait outside your child's class at your allocated time. If you are unable to attend, please let us know and we will be happy to rearrange or conduct a telephone appointment.

Year 6's rescheduled afternoon sessions will now be on Thursday 23rd March 2023 as communicated last week. Times have been kept the same as they were scheduled on Thursday 9th March 2023. If for any reason you can no longer attend at this time, please let us know and we will be happy to rearrange to a mutually convenient time.

#### Snow Day - Friday 10th March 2023

Thank you all for your understanding with the closure of school on Friday. I am very aware that the snow was not as bad over in South Kirkby and that Common Road Infant School stayed open, however all members of the Senior Leadership Team and 3 out of 4 of the safeguarding team live in areas further from school which were badly affected by the snow and ice. Most teaching staff also live in areas where the conditions were treacherous. It was therefore not possible to open school safely and I made the decision early on Friday morning to give families as much notice as possible.

Thank you to all those who read through the plans shared on Thursday and accessed our online learning for the morning on Friday. I apologise if the closure caused any inconvenience, but know you will understand my reasons for closing school.

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#### Red Nose Day - Friday 17th March 2023

On Friday for a coin donation (50p suggested but any donation is gratefully accepted), children are invited to come dressed in something red (or head to toe in red if they can!). Red nose day accessories are of course allowed.

For those of you who don't know, the money raised on Red Nose Day helps people live free from poverty, violence and discrimination.



Finally, children are being asked to come to school equipped with their favourite joke to tell to their class.

#### Attendance Matters (Our school attendance target is 95%)

Our whole school attendance figure for **Week 9 of Spring Term** is <u>95.2%</u> which **exceeds our school target of 95%**. **What a great result! Let's keep it up**.

#### Our class attendance this week:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Bretton <b>94%</b>	Fairburn 97%	Brodsworth <b>99%</b>	Ackworth <b>95%</b>
Nostell 96%	Waterton 95%	Wragby <b>90%</b>	Wentbridge <b>96%</b>

Well done to **Brodsworth** for winning this week's attendance with **99%**. As their reward, they are welcome to come to school in non-uniform on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (Friday is dress in red day for Red Nose Day).

Mr Adam Potter (Head of School)