



# **SKA HEADLINES**

# Friday 24th November 2023

Please have a careful read of this week's newsletter to keep up to date with all school events - thank you.

#### Christmas Jumper Day & Donations Reminder

To celebrate the start of a festive month at school, Christmas Jumper Day is on Thursday 7th December 2023. A reminder that on this day, we will be collecting donations of Christmas items for the Christmas hamper raffle if you are able to. Each year group has been asked to bring a different colour gift donation on the day:

Year 3 & 4 RED

Year 5 GREEN

Year 6 WHITE

Thank you in advance for your donations – please hand these to your child's class teacher on 7<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Football Reminder

To keep everyone safe while waiting for the doors to open at 8:45am, please remind your children that they should not be playing any ball games on the playground before the school day. Thank you.



#### **Absence Reminder**

If your child is off school, you must inform the office as soon as possible through calling 01977 643187 or leaving a message through the MCAS App. If we do not know why your child is off, it will be unauthorised.

#### Year 3 Trip to York & Leeds

Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Leeds and York, and visited attractions in both their class locations. The children were incredibly well behaved and had huge smiles on their faces as they learned about transport around our country - past, present and future - and had an insight into what life was like at Home Farm at Temple Newsam. They got up close to a number of farmyard animals – the piglets were a firm favourite! Both classes represented the school flawlessly on their first trip at South Kirkby Academy and we are so proud of how they have settled in.

#### Family View Survey

At South Kirkby Academy, we are constantly striving to improve our school so all children and families have the best possible primary school experience. We know we do lots well but we also know sometimes things don't quite go to plan so your feedback is really important. Please take the time to fill out the following 'Family View' Survey by clicking here or taking a photo of the QR code with your phone's camera if you have a paper copy of the letter. If you have any issues that you have **not** brought to the attention of school staff, please do this **before** filling out the survey so the results are an accurate and fair representation of our school. Thank you as always for your support.



#### Winter Clothing

Please ensure you are sending your children to school each day with a coat. The weather is getting colder and there are too many children who are arriving to school without appropriate winter clothing. When the weather gets colder, children without coats will not be allowed out to play.



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# Attendance this week: 94% ↓



Whitby	98%
Filey	97%
Knaresborough	96%
Richmond	95%
York	94%
Ilkley	93%
Leeds	91%
Harrogate	88%
Whitby may wear non-uniform on Friday 1st December!	

Lucy (Year 3)	For being an outstanding role model.	
Lily B (Year 3)	For her super attitude during the	
	school trip.	
Kevin (Year 4)	For his amazing use of language in his	
	writing.	
Lucas H	For using fronted adverbials and	
(Year 4)	expanded noun phrases so well.	
Orlaith	For her amazing effort in all her tests	
(Year 5)	during testing week.	
Osman	For his thoughtful contributions and	
(Year 5)	enthusiasm towards learning.	
Destiny (Year 6)	For her great attitude and always	
	putting a smile on our faces.	
Olivia (Year 6)	For always giving 100% in every	
	lesson.	

# Congratulations to our Stars of the Week!



# Value of the week: Independent

Craig (Year 6) Finn (Year 6) Alfie (Year 5) Kaira (Year 5) Olivia T (Year 4) Tyler (Year 3)

Amber (Year 4) Freddie P (Year 3)

## This week's quide for families is:

TOP TIPS FOR SAFER BLACK FRIDAY & CYBER MONDAY SHOPPING

Click the image to open the quide.



### Key Events Next Week

There are no key events to remind you about next week.

Please see our full events calendar here.

Have a great weekend. Mr Adam Potter Headteacher

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