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SKA HEADLINES

Friday 23rd February 2024

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

Welcome back! It has been a busy first week back at SKA – I sent a welcome back letter which included a calendar of events at the beginning of the week which can be accessed [here](#). It is important you give this a careful read so you do not miss anything over the coming weeks.

Young Voices

28 excited boys and girls from across school travelled to Sheffield Arena on Wednesday for an event they have been busy preparing for: Young Voices! It was a tiring day of rehearsals but the show in the evening was a magical spectacle of talent from schools all across the country. If you were watching, did you spot us in the crowd?! A huge well done to all of the children involved and massive thanks to Mrs Borthwick for organising the event and practicing the songs in her Young Voices Club. Of course, we must also extend our thanks to the other members of staff and families who supported on the day of the event. We had a lot of very tired staff and children on Thursday morning back in school but I am sure it will be an event that the children will remember for a long time!

Positive Feedback & Messages

Just a quick note to say thank you if you have made an effort to contact school or a member of staff with positive feedback about South Kirkby Academy – it really does mean a lot to us all! I think we are all (and I include myself in this!) naturally very quick to complain if something is not quite right or has gone wrong, but do not often thank or praise when things go well so it is really appreciated.

School Responsibility for Personal Items

A polite reminder that school is not liable or responsible for any personal items that the children decide to bring into school. Any items that are brought to school for a show and tell session for example should be handed into the class teacher or teaching assistant at the beginning of the day so they can be stored safely and securely. This will prevent items from getting lost or taken. Thank you for your support and understanding.

School Uniform & Shoe Crack Down

Thank you for making sure your children are wearing the correct clothing to school each day, including footwear. They look extremely smart! We shall continue to monitor the standard of uniform across school – please don't forget to inform us if your child is wearing the incorrect item of clothing or footwear and why. We understand that these things happen and there is usually a reason! We can also provide uniform if needed. If your child does not have a reason or we have not been informed, they will be asked to put on the correct uniform or footwear in line with our school's uniform rules from our school stock of uniform and shoes.


After School Clubs & Year 6 Revision Classes


A reminder that children will now be able to walk home after their clubs and classes if they usually do so after school. Please remember to contact the school office if you DO NOT give permission for your child to walk home and will be instead collecting them.

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Attendance this week: 95% ↑

York	99%
Richmond	99%
Harrogate	97%
Whitby	97%
Leeds	94%
Filey	93%
Knaresborough	92%
Ilkley	90%
York & Richmond classes may wear non-uniform on Friday 1 st March 2024!	

Reggie (Leeds)	For his fantastic attitude to learning this week.
Mia-Rose (York)	For showing huge amounts of pride and care in her work.
Teddy (Richmond)	For showing so much effort all week!
Ivy (Knaresborough)	For using amazing language and beautiful presentation in writing.
Harvey (Filey)	For a super attitude towards his learning.
Sammy (Whitby)	For having an amazing first week at SKA!
Jessica (Harrogate)	For demonstrating 100% effort in all of her learning.
Cailen (Ilkley)	For his hard work and dedication in maths this week.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week!

THE SKA CUP

WIN 3 POINTS DRAW 1 POINT

YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN TO WIN

1	WHITBY	12
1	RICHMOND	12
2	HARROGATE	9
2	LEEDS	9
2	YORK	9
3	ILKLEY	6
4	FILEY	3
5	KNARESBOROUGH	0

Well done to Whitby and Richmond for winning the SKA Cup last term. The classes have £25 each (£50 prize split) to spend on whatever they like (within reason!). Remember – you've got to be in to win.

Value of the week: Golden Rule

	Caitlyn (Year 6)	Alex (Year 6)	
	Grace (Year 5)	Xavier (Year 5)	
	Maddison (Year 4)	Harper (Year 4)	
	Emily (Year 3)	John (Year 3)	

DON'T MISS OUT ON IMPORTANT SKA INFORMATION!

Follow our social media pages and sign up for the MCAS App to keep up to date.

This week's guide is about mental health and wellbeing and supporting your children to self-regulate. Click the preview to open the guide!

Key Events Next Week

Year 4 Trip to Temple Newsam – 28.02.24

