



KIRKBY AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 1 2024



The Panto came to KAPS and we enjoyed the show 'Sleeping Beauty' – lots of laughs and fun had by all!



Key Dates

- 13th Nov – World War II dress-up day (Larch/Chestnut/Oak)
- 15th Nov – Children in Need day
- 20th Nov – Photo catch-up
- 21st Nov – Dog therapy training
- 22nd Nov – Flu vaccine
- 5th Dec – Magna trip (Rowan/Holly/Cherry)
- 13th Dec – Christmas Fayre
- 16th-18th Dec – Christmas Parties
- 19th Dec – Christmas Dinner
- 20th Dec – Break up

Attendance is so important for a child's learning. Good attendance (95%+) can drastically improve a child's life chances. We encourage our children to come to school every day unless they are too poorly to manage. We will always give you a ring during the day if your child is not well enough to be in school. We do not authorize holidays during term time, following the government and Local Authority guidance.

We have many attendance challenges during the year to encourage good attendance. Each class is playing attendance monopoly – well done to Chestnut and Holly classes, who are this half term's top winners.



Many of you have met Bennie, our school therapy dog. He has been getting used to school and he absolutely loves spending time with the children already!

We have training for Bennie and staff after half term but he is already doing a wonderful job!

Please note – Bennie is part of the staff and is a working dog so please respect our rule for no dogs on site. We have received only positive messages about Bennie from our parents and school community – thank you.



Shout-out to our Year 5 pupils for leading the Harvest festival and thanks for all the donations this year.



Willow class have started learning to play the ukulele this term. They have already learnt to play tunes, chords and they have composed their own music! We have some more budding musicians.



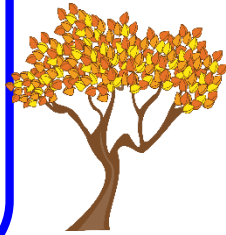
We have opened our Forest School area now and some children have been enjoying the first sessions.



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Thanks to Boggledy Books selling some lovely books at great prices on Thursday! Because of the sale during the day, we received 47 free books so THANKS!

We love reading! We might put some of the new books in our brand new outdoor reading area too.



Larch, Chestnut and Oak had a fabulous trip to Eden Camp as part of their topic on the Second World War. It is a great place to visit for a day out in Malton – lots to see and do, especially if you are interested in history.



Pumpkin Winners!



A love of reading is very important for us at Kirkby Ave. We are celebrating our Remarkable Readers this half term. They have achieved Brilliant Bronze award. Well done!



We enjoyed '#Hello Yellow' day in school. Children dressed in yellow and took part in assemblies, lessons and discussions to raise awareness of the importance of mental health and well-being. Beech class made worry monsters.



Our wonderful pupils have been working hard to show they are always 'Ready Resilient and Respectable' this half term. We have had our first 'Golden Ticket' party of the year with one 'role model' invited from each class. We had a great time!



Shout-out to our PTA group for putting on the Macmillan coffee afternoon this year and helping us to get new hi-vis vests for school. Thanks Russell – Arcus FM.

We ask that all our parents and carers are respectful and model good behaviour at all times when on site and near to the school site. Also, please respect residents near school by driving and parking safely. Remember, Morrisons car park can be used by parents. Thank you.

Happy half term!