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NEWSLETTER: 23

17th March 2023

Spring Term Dates:

Wednesday 4th
January—Friday
31st March

School Times:

8.45a.m—3.15p.m.

Doors open:

8.45a.m—8.55a.m.

Nursery:

AM: 9am—12pm

PM: 12pm—3pm

Remaining PD Days:

Thurs 20th July
2023

Dear parents and carers,

The children enjoyed celebrating Red Nose Day in school. We raised £136 so far for the charity, thank you!

Acorn class have enjoyed baking in the new kitchen this week!



Easter Church Service for Children

On Monday 20th March, we will be walking to Kirklevington Church, with the children from Reception to Year 6, for an Easter Service with Rev. Kate.

RRSA—Rights Respecting School

As a Gold Level 'Rights Respecting' School, the children learn lots about children's rights, with a focus on:

- Well-being
- Participation
- Relationships
- Self-esteem

Article of the month:
March

The right to a name and
nationality.





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Coffee Morning to support SEND families

We are hosting a coffee morning, with Stockton Parent Carer Forum.

Stockton Parent Carer Forum is made up of 12 volunteer parents and carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities, aged 0-25 years.

They work in partnership with service providers, sharing their knowledge and experiences of families, to co-produce services to create better outcomes for children, young people and their families in Stockton-On-Tees.

Stockton Parent Carer Forum volunteers are hosting a coffee morning for parents of SEND children, whether on the SEN register, with a diagnosis, or a concern of SEN.

Please feel free to pop in, have a chat, pick up some information and have a cuppa!

Venue: Kirklevington Primary School Hall

Date: 28th March

Do you know someone living in Stockton, aged 14-18 years old with an EHCP?

We want to hear their thoughts about post 16 plans, what they enjoy and what sort of areas they might like to work in. Help us to plan for the future of SEND young people in Stockton!

We want to invite them to an evening of amazing virtual reality gaming, snacks, and drinks! Come along, have fun, and have your views heard!

When: Friday 5th May 2023

Time: 6.15pm – 8pm.

Where: Unit 20, St Peters House, Pavilion Shopping Centre, Thornaby, TS17 9FF

<https://www.thegaminghideaway.com/>

Parent/carers must remain in the building (there's a café!). Places are limited – please request a booking form by emailing: **Nicola.stott@stockton.gov.uk**

Staffing Changes

Miss Horsley, Chestnut Class Teacher and Assistant Head will be leaving at Easter. She has really enjoyed her time at Kirklevington Primary School but has a fantastic opportunity to move to Australia!

We have employed Mr Carlton as class teacher of Chestnut class for the Summer Term. He has already been in school, met the children and worked alongside Miss Horsley to plan for continuity within the class.

We are delighted that the position of Assistant Head of School has been filled by Mrs Patterson, Elm Class teacher, who has worked at the school since 2014 and knows the children and families very well.



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Easter Hat Parade—Thursday 30th March

We will be completing our annual Easter Hat Parade around Kirklevington Village on Thursday 30th March, at 9.15am—weather dependent!

All children from Acorn to Oak are invited to make a hat at home and bring it in to wear on the day. Parents of Acorn class are invited to walk with us.

Route: We will leave school from the Large Playground gate and we would love it if parents could wait for us at The Green, Kirklevington. We'll then walk along Forest Lane and return to school.



Mothering Sunday Church Service

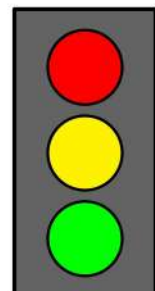


Parking at the car park next to the field

Stockton Borough Council will be placing three-way traffic lights on the A67 at the junction to the new development next to the school field, to control traffic flow in and out of the site.

The car park down Pump Lane will be still accessible, however the exit route will mean queueing traffic outwards, due to the temporary traffic lights.

This is expected to last approximately 3 weeks.



Achievements

We love to celebrate any extra curricular activities that your child has been doing out of school! Please email Kirklevington@kirklevington.org.uk.



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A big well done to Orla W, in Acorn, who completed her Swim Academy Level 1 and her 5m Swimming Certificate and badge this week! Fantastic!



Items from home

We would really appreciate support in our request that children should not bring in items from home, such as Pokemon and football trading cards. These are easily mixed up and have caused issues within the school day.





We also ask that children do not bring mobile phones to school. Where parents want the oldest children to have them as they are walking home, these should be handed in to the office on a morning and collected at home time. School will not accept responsibility for any phones damaged or lost where children have not handed them in.



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Team Points

Well done to Mars who won the team point trophy this week!

Teams		Team Captains 17/03/23
Mars		Pippa J
Neptune		Sam St
Saturn		Daisy K
Earth		Robyn D

Attendance and Class of the Week!

Whole school attendance is 95%. Please remember that we cannot authorise holidays, unless circumstances meet our exceptional criteria, and that both parents will be referred to attendance which may result in a fine for 10 unauthorised sessions (5 days) or more, per child, within 6 weeks.

‘Class of the Week’ celebrates the class with the best attendance each week. The winning class, across the term, will get a treat that they can negotiate with their teacher! **Well done to Willow and Birch classes this week!**

Y6 SATS will be held May 9th to May 12th, 2023 and we expect children will be in school during this period.

Best Attendance

Willow	3
Birch	5
Chestnut	2
Elm	2
Oak	5



March Birthdays

Happy birthday month to: Theo C, Hattie G, Lily H, Lillia H, George Ke, Tiger-Lilly M, Oliver McP, Logan P, Anastasia S, Lousha S, Samuel S and Alice W.

Stars of the week—Be Respectful, Be Safe

Willow	Emma K
Birch	Emily R
Chestnut	Leo D
Elm	Ernie G
Oak	Poppy A



Learners of the week—Be Ready

Willow	Gabriel G
Birch	Ruby R
Chestnut	Penny H
Elm	Anushka J
Oak	Charlotte C



Star Writers

Willow	Evie S
Birch	Isla I
Chestnut	Archie S
Elm	Fern A
Oak	Ruby W



Head Teacher's
Award:

Daisy T in Oak for always being kind and helpful.



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A huge well done to Dance Club at the Dance Festival this week! They represented the school brilliantly!





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Chestnut Class has been like a florists this week! They used fresh flowers as inspiration for learning about shape, form and texture.





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Acorn have been measuring and ordering by size, linked to their story of the week.





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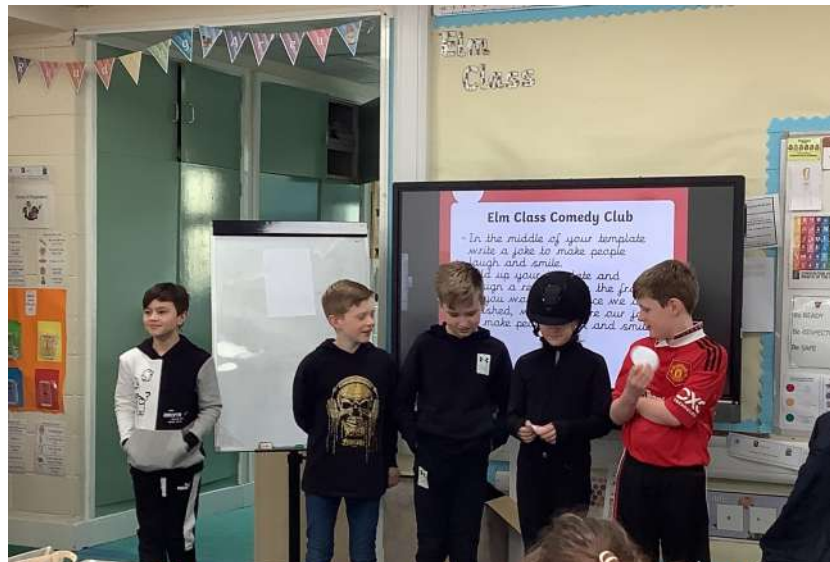
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Elm Class focused on laughing to support healthy minds for Red Nose Day. They wrote down their favourite jokes and shared them as part of the class Comedy Club. They even made a joke book for the school library.





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Diary of Events

We are busy planning events for the children, our families and the local community. We will continue to update this list as the term progresses.

More information will be provided, closer to the time of events.

Date	Event
20th March	Y6 After School Weekly Booster Session
20th March	Easter Service for children at Kirklevington Church
21st March	New to Nursery—taster session
22nd March 9.10am	Birch Class Assembly—parents welcome
22nd March	Oak Microbit workshop rearranged
27th March	Y6 After School Weekly Booster Session
27th March	Y1 Birch and Reception visit to Teesmouth
28th March	Coffee morning for SEND parents: 9.15am
29th March	RLNI Assembly and workshops for Birch and Chestnut
30th March	Easter hat parade 9.15am
31st March	Non-uniform and Treat day for Mrs. Lewis' last day
3rd—14th April	Easter Holiday
17th April	Return to school after the Easter break
17th April	Y6 After School Weekly Booster Session
21st April	Earth Day in School
24th April	Y6 After School Weekly Booster Session
1st May	Bank Holiday— School Closed
2nd May—Tues	Y6 After School Weekly Booster Session
During May	Y2 SATS assessments
8th May	Bank Holiday—School Closed
9th—12th May	Y6 SATS week
29th—2nd June	Half Term



Winter Weather

When the icy mornings are upon us, we grit the main routes around school. Please take care and stick to the main paths. Please see our gritting plan below, which shows the gritted route.



There is also a copy in the main entrance.

If we do experience extreme weather/a lot of snow, we may close the gate onto the large playground and have everyone come through the main entrance side of the building. We will notify parents if this is the case.

