

Kexborough Primary School

2022 – 2023 : Newsletter #21

Monday 27 February



Y6 PARENT / CARER WORKSHOP

Dear Parents / Carers of **Y6 children**

We know that the vast majority of young people live positive lives and are not involved in gangs or knife crime. However, there are a small number of young people who do become involved and this can be a concern for parents and carers. It can have significant impact on families, communities, as well as themselves.

We are privileged to have been selected, as one of only 4 Barnsley schools, to participate in a pilot project with Yorkshire Mentoring to offer information sessions for parents and carers, staff and our Y6 pupils. Similar projects in areas beyond Barnsley have been well received and there has been positive feedback.

The sessions will look at facts, practical advice when looking for signs of a child's involvement, methods used to exploit young people, and help to recognise key signs and indicators. They will also discuss how to encourage healthy conversations with children, and how you can seek further help or support.

The toolkit/information provided is designed to provide facts and practical advice and the parent/carer session covers:

- Understanding your child
- Facts in relation to serious violence and carrying a knife.
- Grooming – what is it?
- County Lines – explained.
- Practical tips on your conversations and communicating with your child.
- Strategies to de-escalate tension in the household.
- Social media – Emojis – what to look out for.
- Stop and search – the law.
- Support information for young people and parents.

The session for Parents/Carers will be held on **Thursday 2nd March at 3:45pm** in the Key Stage 2 hall in school and will finish around 5:00pm. Light refreshments will be available. We would really encourage you to attend if you are able. Staff will also receive a workshop and the two sessions with our Y6 children will be offered in the coming weeks.

Please indicate on the forms link below if you are able/unable to attend and if you have any questions please contact school.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=dp7hA7Z84EKEdIKZVN0iTs2a19W8NuBIomiy39oYOGJUQjJYMktVSVoyRDRNTFZBMEpOSIFRSVEzTC4u>

WORLD BOOK DAY

Due to a number of children being on residential on Thursday 2nd March, we will be holding our World Book day on **Wednesday 8th March**. On this day children can come to school dressed as a character from any book or story that they have read.

COMIC RELIEF

This year Comic Relief is being held on **Friday 17th March**. We will be holding a non uniform day and asking for a voluntary contribution of £1.00 which will be collected and given to the Comic Relief charity.

The theme this year is **DRESS UP FOR JOY**

This means that the children can come to school in anything that makes them feel happy. This could be the best home-made costume ever, going red from head to toe or coming to school in your PJs. All we ask is that the children wear something that makes them (and us) smile.

FOOD BANK

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:
RICE
TINNED/PACKET POTATOES
GRAVY GRANULES
RICE PUDDING/CUSTARD
TINNED FISH
PASTA SAUCE
TINNED MEAT
SOUP
TINNED SPAGHETTI/HOOPS
TINNED TOMATOES
CEREALS
PET FOOD
SHOWER GEL
SHAMPOO

We have received an appeal request from Barnsley Foodbank with a request for support. We would be grateful for any donations that can be provided this week and we will deliver them to the food bank over the weekend.

This list to the side indicates the foods that the food bank is running low on.

Any donations that you can spare can be dropped off in school Reception. Thank you for your support.

Diary

FEBRUARY HALF TERM		
Wed 1 March – Fri 3 rd March	Selected Y4/Y5 children	Residential Visit
Wednesday 8 March All day	All children	KPS World Book Day
Friday 17 March All day	All children	Comic Relief Day
Tuesday 21 March 3:30 – 5:30 / 6:00	Y6	Parent / Carer Review Meetings
Wednesday 22 March 3:30 – 5:30 / 6:00	FS1 – Y6	Parent / Carer Review Meetings
Thursday 23 March 3:30 – 5:30 / 6:00	FS1 – Y5	Parent / Carer Review Meetings
Wednesday 29 th March All day	Year 1	School Trip
Friday 31 st March 3:30pm	All children	Break for the Easter holidays