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# Newsletter



W/C 14th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I wanted to say a huge thank you for the effort that you and your children have put into our recent dress up days, with our latest one being World Book Day. The children enjoyed a fun filled day with lots of reading and book-based activities. I am sure that your encouragement and the activities planned by teachers will help to inspire a love of reading in our children.

School has become a very busy place again and when thinking about what is going on around the world it makes us appreciate even more how fortunate we are to give our children these experiences, memories and opportunities to enjoy a broad curriculum.

We are so proud of our school community and their selfless approach to fundraising and involvement in events this term which have required parent and carer input, thank you!

Year Six pupils recently received notification of their secondary school offer and I trust that all were pleased. It is an exciting time for them, looking ahead with anticipation and trepidation, knowing that a world of opportunity awaits them. We are not ready to let them go yet, there's still plenty to do here at Kildwick! Parents of children moving to South Craven should have received a letter inviting them, to an information evening on Thursday 31st March at 6pm.

I have been reflecting this week on the word courage. It is so easy to get caught up in a cycle of negative thoughts, especially when we are bombarded with news of impossible situations around the world on a daily basis. Stories of courage in the Bible and from the world around us now, can give us hope to move forward with vision and purpose. Moses had the courage to face the past, David had the courage to face impossible situations and Esther had the courage to take a risk. The modern day equivalent, a man whom until recently was an unknown to me, Volodymyr Zelenskyy. He has courageously, refused to bow down. Maya Angelou, the famous civil rights activist and poet, said....'Courage is the most important of all virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently'.

Have a great weekend!!

Mr Tim Whitehead - Headteacher.



## Dates for your diaries...

16.03.22 – Keighley & Craven School Cross Country – Race 4 – Marley

25.03.21 – EYFS / KS1 Mother's Day Lunch

31.03.22 – KS2 Disco

01.04.22 – International Children's Book Day

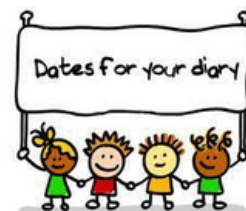
01.04.22 - Earth Day

04.04.22 – Y6 SATs information event – See separate letter for info

07.04.22 – EYFS / KS1 Disco

08.04.22 – Last day of spring term

26.04.22 – First day of summer term



## Extra Curricular Clubs

Clubs do not run on the first and last weeks of term. They will restart the second week back after half term - W/C 07.03.22. Book a place on ParentPay, with the exception of Kanga - links to book direct with them below.



### Monday -

Circuits/Fitness with Heather - £12.00 for the half term.

Choir - £12.00 for the half term.

### Tuesday -

Kanga - EYFS & KS1 Multi sports - Click [here](#) to book direct with Kanga.

### Tuesday -

Running - £5.00 for the half term.

### Wednesday -

Dance - EYFS & KS1 - £12.00 for the half term

### Thursday -

Cookery - KS2 - £12.00 for the half term

### Thursday -

Mini Ringers



## Walking Bus

We now operate the walking bus from Cross Hills Co-op Car Park twice a week (Mondays & Thursdays), setting off at 8.30am. All are welcome to join. The Y6 Vision Leaders would like to expand this initiative to try and reduce the amount of traffic around school. Watch this space! Please sign up for free on Parent Pay.



# Learning to Live

## Dogs on the playground/Clean Up After Your Dog!

A polite reminder that dogs are not allowed on the school premises. We have children in school who are allergic to dogs. Please can this message be passed on to any family/friends who might drop off and collect children from school too. If you do leave your dog outside school whilst dropping off/collecting please ensure you pick up their mess - a member of staff had to clean up after someone's dog this week which as you can imagine was quite unpleasant.



## Nut Aware School

Just to remind you that we have children in school with nut allergies and we are a 'nut aware' school. Please be mindful of this and make sure that all contents of packed lunches do not contain nuts.

## Considerate Parking

Please can we remind you not to park on the road outside school if at all possible, as it makes drop off and collection times so dangerous for children and their families.



## School Gate

A polite reminder that the school gate opens at 08:45 on a morning and 15:20 on an afternoon (for EYFS/KS1 - 15:30 for KS2) - please wait away from the school premises outside of these times.

## Before and After School Care

If your child attends the 1 hour after school care club 15:30 to 16:30, please ensure you arrive to collect them at 16:30 promptly.



# Learning to Live

## Safeguarding Questionnaire

The school vision leaders have conducted a safeguarding survey with children in school. They visited each class to explain the purpose of it and assisted with any questions that the children had.

The vision Leaders will work with the staff and governors to address any concerns that have arisen. There were, of course, so many positives.

You can see a copy of the results here.

School Vision Leader Pupil Questionnaire - Safeguarding

1.1 How Does the School Curriculum Help you to be Safe?



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Online Safety Questionnaire Responses -  
February 2022

## Online Safety Questionnaire

We are pleased to share the collated responses from our recent Online Safety Questionnaire.

Thank you to all those who took part and provided such valuable feedback.

You can view the responses here

## Keeping Kildwick Clean

If you notice that the underpass to Kildwick is a little bit less full of litter this week, it's thanks to these two little stars who spent their own time picking up A LOT of rubbish on Saturday. Well done Erin and Isla!





# Learning to Live



## Year 5 & 6 Netball Competition

Year Five & Six took part in a netball competition with our local cluster of schools at South Craven. The children played well as a team, encouraged each other and managed to score some magnificent goals. We managed to get through to the final on a golden goal against Lothersdale. We played a great final against Sutton CP but lost 1-0. A fantastic achievement, well done team Kildwick!

## MiniRingers Impress an International Adjudicator!

The adjudicator at the Skipton Music Festival was impressed by the MiniRingers. He spent some time, explaining to the audience how difficult what they were doing was. When asked how good the adults were at it, Orla replied promptly, "They're rubbish!" (And she's right!) Divided into two groups, they shared the prizes. The (older) MiniRingers took the "tunes" category but were ousted by the MicroRingers in the changes – though it was the MiniRingers who were asked to play in the Final Concert.

Faced with a capacity crowd in the Town Hall (only the third time that's happened since the refurb) they produced a near-faultless course of Bob Doubles and were awarded the Soroptimist's Trophy for the best small group. Adjudicator Steven Roberts travels the world and tells me that he'll be talking about the MiniRingers at the various Festivals that he visits. The name of Kildwick School is spreading even further abroad!





# Learning to Live

## Cooking Club

KS2 children are enjoying learning about the importance of healthy food and the ingredients within recipes.



## Art Club

In our first session we painted multi-coloured circles using watercolours and we experimented with wax crayons creating a water-resistant barrier. In our next sessions we will be using different techniques to create some more exciting artwork. We are very pleased to be able to share the results with you here.

Denisa Francis - Art Club Leader



# Living to Love



## Happy birthday to you....

Annabelle - Class 1

Phoebe - Class 1

Elliot - Class 2

Rex - Class 2

Nic - Class 3

Euan - Class 4

Ralph - Class 4

Sam - Class 4

George - Class 4

Zach - Class 5



## Birthdays

Children are invited to come in non-uniform on their birthday.

If this falls on a weekend or during a holiday, they can come in non-uniform on the Monday or Friday before their birthday.





# Living to Love



## Love and Peace for Ukraine

A few years ago, Year Three and Four took part in an e-twinning programme with a school in Kyiv, Ukraine. We exchanged letters, videos and made friendships whilst learning about our countries.

Mrs Sharples has kept in touch with the teacher at the school and as the news of the Russian invasion unfolded, we reached out to offer words of support. We asked what we could do to help and the teacher at the school suggested videos and messages to let the children know we are thinking of them.

We can't comprehend or imagine what the school staff, teachers and children are going through. Some families have left Kyiv and others are taking shelter in the school cellar. The Headteacher of the school is serving meals to soldiers. In the words of the teacher, we twinned with, 'no one was prepared for this Russian terror'.

On Tuesday, children came to school wearing yellow and or blue. We recorded and sent messages of support to the children of the school. We asked for a voluntary donation which will be shared with the school and a national charity set up to help with relief in Ukraine and the displacement of families caused by this conflict.

Currently there are upwards of one million people (mainly mothers with children) arriving in Poland, seeking shelter and support. As you will no doubt be aware, there has been a large Ukrainian community in Keighley for many years. The Good Shepherd Centre, based in Keighley, are collecting and transporting items to families and their children that have been displaced. Thank you so much for all your kind donations of: bedding, pillows, blankets, warm clothing, nappies and toiletries such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, wet wipes and soap. You are all amazing and I count my blessings that I live and work in such a fantastic community!

See below for just a few photos of the day - you can see more and the video made on our website [here](#).

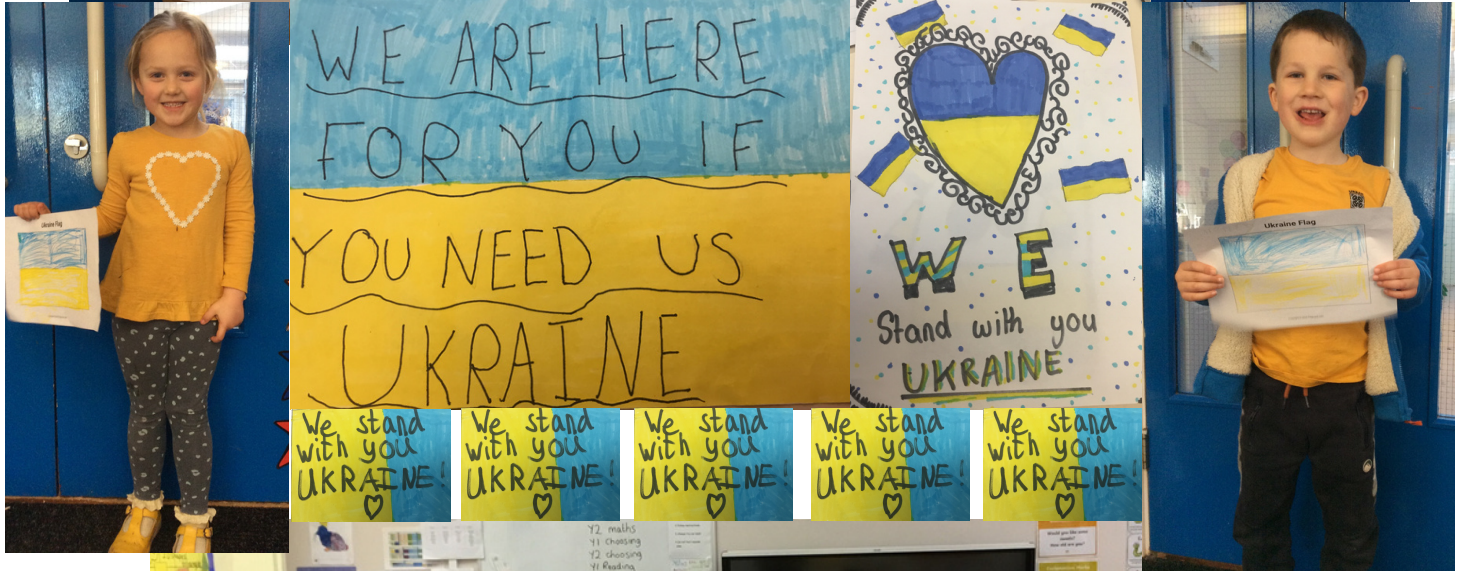




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## Love and Peace for Ukraine Day Photos



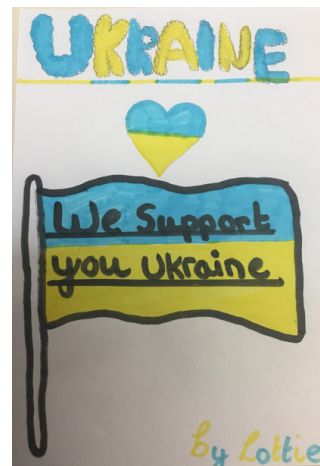


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## Love and Peace for Ukraine Day

One of our Year 6 students Emmie very kindly sold knitted hearts that she had made to support the British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal. She raised £40.00 - well done Emmie!



Thank you  for your  
£40.00 donation

Thank you for your donation to the DEC  
Ukraine Appeal.

Your donation comes at a critical time in  
this crisis.

We can't thank you enough.



# Living to Love



## Mother's Day Lunch

On Friday 25th March Robins and Swallows will be inviting a special person in for lunch to celebrate Mother's Day with them. Parents and carers in these classes should have received details of timings and arrangements. Lunch will be pizza, salad and coleslaw. Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements. If your child will not have a guest on the day please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible.

This event is normally something we do with Reception children but due to covid we are making up for years one and two missing out in previous years.

## Pre Loved School Uniform

We will be restarting the sale of second hand school uniform. If your child has grown out of their uniform and it is in good condition, then please consider donating it to school. We would also be happy to receive PE kits, book bags and good condition school shoes and PE pumps/trainers.

You can pass preloved uniform onto Class Teachers throughout the year. Alex Swinton (Parent and Governor) will be collecting the uniform and storing it. Each half term there will be a uniform sale after school on the playground. Parents will be invited to take items and then make a donation to the PTA via parent pay. If you would like to help with the organisation and selling of uniform, please contact the office who will pass your message on.



## Flapjack Friday

Thanks to all who called into church for 'Flapjack Friday'. It will be on every Friday so why not call in for a coffee, flapjack and a chat after or before drop off.

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## Kildwick School PTA

The PTA met on Thursday 10th March. This was the first meeting to take place in person for a long time. It was lovely to see some new faces. Minutes from the meeting will be circulated. See below for their upcoming Easter fundraising Activities.

### Easter PTA Discos

There will be two Easter disco's, the Key Stage Two disco will take place on Thursday 31st March and the EYFS and Key Stage One disco will take place on Thursday 7th April. This will be straight from school and children should be collected between 4:45pm and 5pm.

The cost will be £3.50 per child, this will include a hot dog tea. There will be the option of making an additional payment for a small Easter gift.

Volunteers to help with the running of the Disco would be appreciated.



### Easter Fun Run

On Friday 8th April children are invited to come to school in Easter/Spring wear. Sponsor forms will be issued to children. Children will be sponsored for how many laps of the Rec they can do. The run will take place in the afternoon and details of timings will be sent nearer the time, so that parents and carers can come and cheer children on. Again, please do let us know if you are able to help with this event.



### Peggy Wilson Trustee required

The Peggy Wilson Trust are looking for a Kildwick resident to become a trustee for the Peggy Wilson Playing Field. If any parents who live in Kildwick are potentially interested in this role then please do contact Mr Whitehead for further information. Thank you.



# Loving to Learn

## Shrove Tuesday

Mr Whitehead taught the children how to make pancakes in the school hall. They followed a recipe and each cooked a pancake using a camping Stove.

Rev Peter Thomas visited at the end of the day to lead a Collective Worship on Shrove Tuesday and the season of Lent.





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## International Women's Day

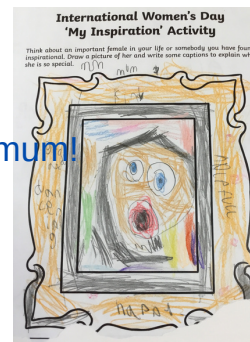
On Tuesday 8th March, all children in school celebrated International Women's Day.

Robins chose an inspirational woman to draw; many chose to draw their mum!

In Swallows, children discussed how women's rights have changed throughout history and wrote and drew about inspirational women.

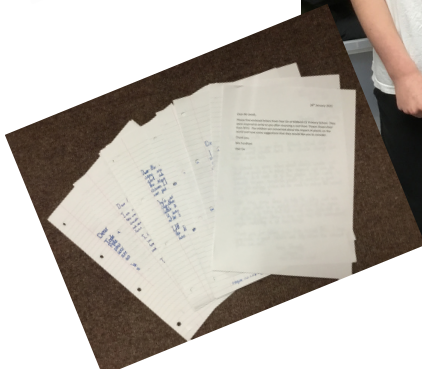
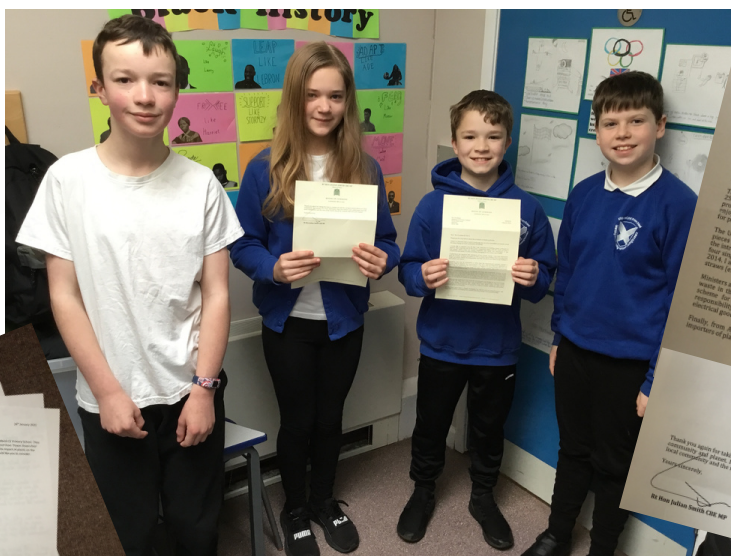
In Key Stage Two, Kingfishers and Owls thought about why we have International Women's Day and why we need it. They then went on to research an inspirational woman.

Eagles took part in a live lesson hosted by Parliament UK which took them on a tour of the Houses of Parliament and introduced them to various women who work there. Year Six also read and discussed lots of statistics about gender bias and thought about how society could overcome these issues.



## Year Six Concerned about Plastic Pollution

Year Six were very excited to receive a letter from our local MP, Julian Smith, this week. After a visit from Power Down Pete a few weeks ago, the children wrote to Mr Smith sharing their concerns about plastic pollution and caring for the environment. He praised the children's thoughts and attitudes; explained that he shared our concerns; told us about a new twenty-five-year plan that the government have put in place to ensure that our planet is protected for young people to enjoy in the future; and about a new plastic tax starting this year.





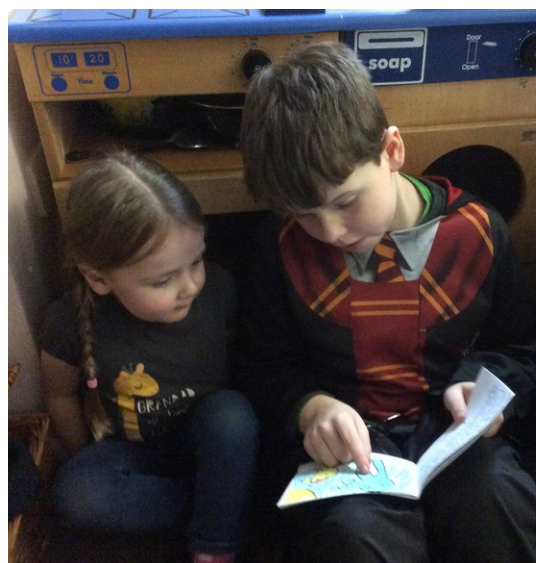
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## WORLD BOOK DAY

### World Book Day

The children came to school dressed as a character from their favourite book on World Book Day 2022. Each class decorated their door with a theme or a character from a book. We ended the day with a book sale with the proceeds going towards purchasing more books for school. We raised £113.35 - Thank you so much for your continued generosity!



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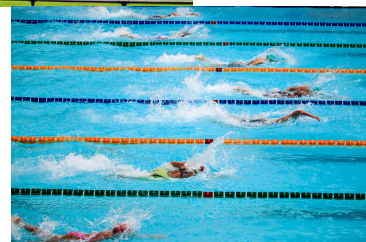


# Loving to Learn

## Swimming

I have been impressed with the progress that Class Three Kingfishers have made with their swimming. They have been very enthusiastic and have developed a love but also a healthy respect for the water. We have been learning to improve our stroke and also the importance of water safety.

It will be the turn of Year One and Two to go swimming after Easter and you will receive information about this and how to consent on ParentPay soon.



## SEN

A reminder that Miss Akrigg is our school SENCo. If you have any concerns about your child and feel that Miss Akrigg could support you please contact her at [d.akrigg@kildwickce.uk](mailto:d.akrigg@kildwickce.uk)

## The Alhambra Theatre - THE LION KING - Relaxed Performance - Tuesday 24 May 2022

The landmark musical is delighted to be presenting a Relaxed Performance in the Alhambra Theatre on Tuesday 24 May at 5pm. Relaxed performances are designed to provide an opportunity for people with autism, learning difficulties or other sensory and communication needs who might prefer a more relaxed environment. Any patrons who feel this performance might suit their specific needs, or the needs of their family members or companions, are warmly encouraged to attend.

Call the Box Office on 01274 432000 for further information or to book. Access & Carer Scheme. For customers who need someone to be with them to access the services or facilities at Bradford Theatres, there is an Access & Carer Membership Scheme in operation. Membership is free and valid for a period of three years.

