



Friday 9th February 2024

Working and achieving together to enrich lives and nurture bright futures

News

After a short but very busy half term, we can now all enjoy a week's holiday. We have included lots of attachments for events, support and activities taking place in our community.

Thank you to all the parents who came to see the Year 2 and Year 5 class assemblies this week. The children have been working very hard in preparation for these and we're sure you'll agree, they put on a fantastic showcase of their learning!

Today, we have said goodbye to a member of our teaching team, Mrs Ricketts has worked at our school for some time with our Early Years and Key Stage 1 children. We wish her all the best for the future as she moves on from Lowerhouses. Thank you Mrs Ricketts!

After the half term break we will be welcoming back Miss Cross who returns from her maternity leave. We're sure Miss Cross is very excited to return and is looking forward to seeing all the children again.

After School Clubs

From next half term, as the nights are now starting to get a little lighter, we will resume allowing children in Years 4, 5 & 6 to walk home alone from clubs, if they have permission from parents to do so.

Diary Dates

Fri 9 th Feb	School closes for half term break 3.15pm
Mon 19 th Feb	School opens for Spring 2 half term.
Thurs 29 th Feb	Yr4 Trip Leeds Grand Theatre
Mon 4 th Mar	Yr4 Walk to Aspley Marina
Mon 4 th Mar	Yr6 Trip to Holocaust Centre
Thurs 7 th Mar	World Book Day (further info to come soon)

Arriving at School

Can we please remind you that children should arrive at school **promptly at 8.45am** via the school playground. We have many pupils entering school through the main entrance each morning. Children should only enter via the office if they are being brought late to school so that this can be recorded on the class registers accordingly.

If you need to report an absence to the office, please can we ask that this is done as soon as possible before 9.30am. Thank you.

PTA School Disco

We'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who bought a ticket for the PTA's annual school disco, they raised a fantastic £189 and we know that the children all had a fabulous time.

Nursery Applications

If your child's birthday is between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 they are eligible to start in our Nursery in September 2024. Please call at the school office or see our website for details of how to apply. **Applications must be received by 22nd March!**



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Support your child with Maths

Would you like to be able to help your child
with their Maths homework?

**Join us for our 2 hour free workshop to refresh
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methods used in schools currently.**

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whatever your current level of maths is.

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Email us success.centres@kirklees.gov.uk

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Maths Mates

Do you enjoy maths?

Can you share your love of maths with children as a Maths Mate volunteer in Kirklees primary schools?

What is Maths Mates?

Maths Mates volunteers work with pupils in Kirklees schools in a 1:1 or in a small group under the direction of a teacher. They help pupils with numeracy work but are volunteers who can share their positive, 'have-a-go' attitude with children, with the aim of boosting confidence and encouraging a love of maths.

What if my Maths Skills are a bit rusty?

Don't worry! We can help you with that. We have another course you can do called 'Your Maths, Their Maths, Our Maths' that looks at the maths taught in primary school and will bring you right up to date with how maths is taught in school currently. Get in touch for more information.

How do I become a Maths Mate?

Attend our free training course (1 morning/afternoon a week for 4 weeks) and we will help link you to a school to volunteer in (DBS check required).

Will being a Maths Mate benefit me?

Yes! Many people use it to gain experience as a starting point to exploring a career in schools, but if that is not for you, it's also a fantastic way to meet new people, increase your self confidence and help your community.

Training

John Smith Stadium classroom (Training is all 4 sessions) FL2324043

Starts Monday 19th February, also 26th February, 4th March and 11th March
10am-1pm.

To Enrol

Scan the QR code or email us on success.centres@kirklees.gov.uk or phone 01484 234153.






Preparing to Volunteer in Schools



FREE COURSE

Are you looking to volunteer in a school, maybe to gain experience before applying for a paid role? Or you may already be volunteering but would like to increase your skills and knowledge? Our free 5 week course will increase your confidence in the classroom.



Topics covered will include safeguarding, the different support needs of children with SEND, what activities you might be expected to support with in a classroom and questioning and feedback techniques.

Course starts: **Wednesday 21st February 2024**

Time: **9am-12pm**

(we are flexible if you need to arrive slightly later or leave slightly earlier)

Location: **Mount Pleasant Primary School, Lockwood**

To enrol, scan the QR code (Course code: FL2324036)
or email success.centres@kirklees.gov.uk
or phone 01484 234153



A fantastical time

This February half term @ BARNSELY MUSEUMS



Pinecone Pets

Thursday 15 February

Make your own marvellous mouse or fantastic fairy friend using just pinecones and other natural materials in this eco-friendly workshop.

10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm | All ages | Free, drop-in. In the North Glass Training Room, Cannon Hall Walled Garden

Thumbelina

Tuesday 26 March

Brought to life through dance, live music and song, Thumbelina is a gentle and playful performance with the beauty of the natural world at its heart. Children are invited to take part in Thumbelina's journey, build a shelter from sticks and escape with her from the hungry toad.

11.30am BSL-interpreted performance, 2pm relaxed performance | Ages 3-8 | £5pp. In the Ballroom, Cannon Hall Museum. Running time 1hr including interactive play. Booking essential: www.cannon-hall.com/whats-on

Enjoy lots of free family fun in the museum try out some traditional toys, dress like a Victorian or bake in the wooden kitchen in the Servants Hall.

Coming soon



All at Sea!

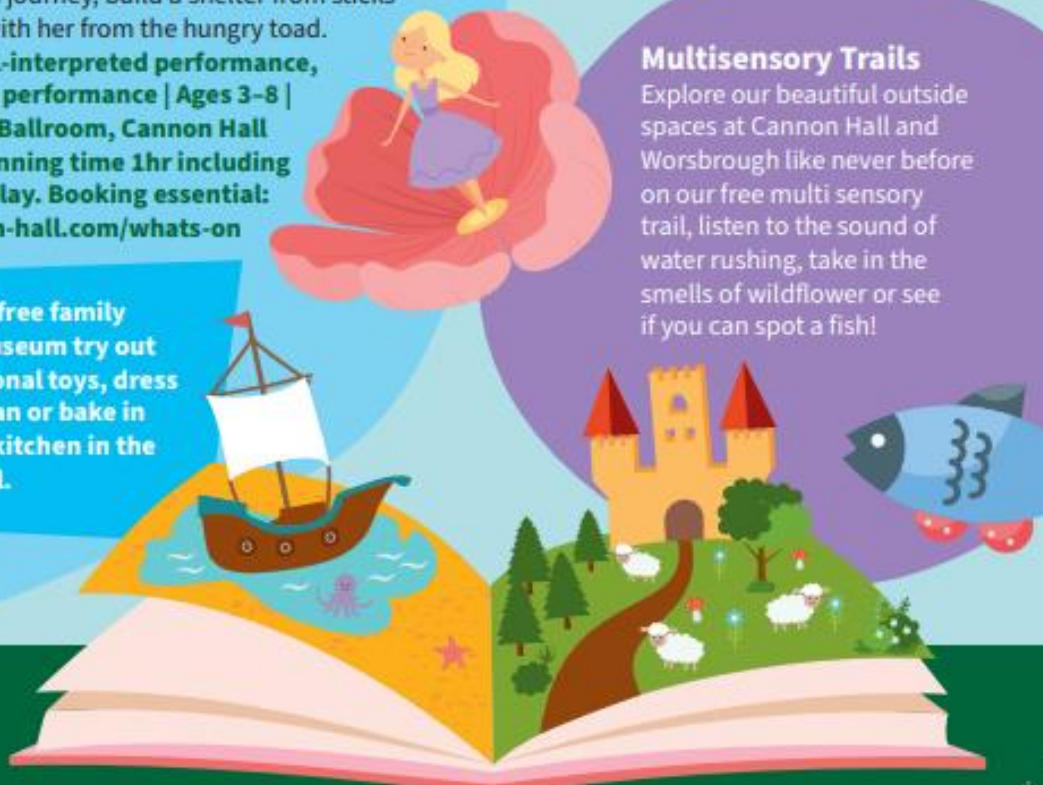
Friday 16 February

Come along and have fun making your own maritime masterpiece inspired by the seascapes in the Cooper Collection.

10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm Free | drop-in. In the Sadler Room

Multisensory Trails

Explore our beautiful outside spaces at Cannon Hall and Worsbrough like never before on our free multi sensory trail, listen to the sound of water rushing, take in the smells of wildflower or see if you can spot a fish!





Wild and Wonderful Thursday 15 February

Join land artist James Brunt as he creates a stunning piece of art using natural materials in our Wagonway Glade.

10am-3pm | Free, drop-in
Follow the signs from the Mill Yard



WORSBROUGH MILL
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**Cook up a storm
(or maybe a mud
pie or two) in our
marvelous mud
kitchen.**



Wacky Races!

Wednesday 14 February

Calling all budding engineers!
In this hands-on workshop, have
a go at making your own balloon
powered marvelous machine.

10am & 1pm | Free
**In the Education Room above
the Visitor Centre. Book your
place at elesecar-heritage.com/whats-on**



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Here be Dragons!

Tuesday 13 February

Come and see us to create your own fantastical
map inspired by the magic of Lord of the Rings.

**10am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm Free,
drop-in. In the Learning Lab**

SENsational

Wednesday 14 February

Book on this multisensory experience
for families with PMLD, autism and
who are neurodiverse. The sessions
take place in the Learning Lab inside
the museum. The space is set up
with a range of sensory items, along
with soft floor mats and soft lighting.

**Places are limited, book
tickets through Eventbrite.**
11am - 12noon and 1pm - 2pm



For more details on activities visit
www.barnsley-museums.com or check
out our social media **@Barnsley Museums**

We are: Children's Yoga



Join us this half term for a special yoga session, with a jungle theme! Carol from Poppy Yoga is delivering a special yoga session for 5-10 year olds. This session has been inspired by Mula and the Snooty Monkey: A Fun Yoga Story, by Lauren Hoffmeier.

Friday 16 February

Almondbury at 10.30 am

Rawthorpe Dalton at 2.00 pm







Book your free ticket here:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/kirkleeslibraries>

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- 5pm to 6pm School year 1 to 3
- 6pm to 7pm School year 4 & 5
- 7pm to 8pm School year 6 to 9

£12.50 per session - Monthly discounts available when book online



SATURDAY MORNING

- Sessions are aimed at all abilities including new players new players or players wanting to develop basic skills from 4years old through to 14
- Technical drills
- Fun in house small games
- 9.30 - 10.30am for all age groups

£6 per session - Monthly discounts available when book online

Where we train:



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ALMONDBURY DEFIBRILLATOR INFORMATION AND TRAINING



We have installed a DEFIBRILLATOR on the corner of our Centre. Quarry Hill Centre Community Hub will be running free training sessions at the Centre by a Qualified First Aid Trainer on Saturday 10th and Sunday 18th February, we are offering three 2hr sessions on each day, 10-00 till 12-00, 12-30 till 14-30 and 15-00 till 17-00. If you would like to learn how to use this Life Saving Equipment, and basic First Aid help, you will receive a Certificate of attendance, then visit

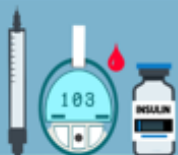
quarryhillcentre.co.uk

Search our calendar and choose a date and time to book one of the FREE sessions. Max places per session is 12 so please book now so you do not miss out or call 07967355767

THE QUARRY HILL CENTRE COMMUNITY HUB
FLEMINGHOUSE LANE ALMONDBURY HD5 8UD



Search our calendar and choose a date and time to book one of the



MEET, MOVE AND EAT WELL WITH DIABETES

St Michael & St Helen's Church
(Fleminghouse Lane,
Almondbury, HD5 8UD)

Huddersfield Mission
(3-13 Lord Street, Huddersfield, HD 1QA)

Dates:

Tuesday 6th February
Tuesday 5th March
Tuesday 2nd April
Tuesday 7th May
Tuesday 4th June
Tuesday 2nd July
Tuesday 6th August
Tuesday 3rd September

Dates:

Tuesday 20th February
Tuesday 19th March
Tuesday 16th April
Tuesday 21st May
Tuesday 18th June
Tuesday 26th July
Tuesday 20th August
Tuesday 17th September

All sessions are 10am to 12pm

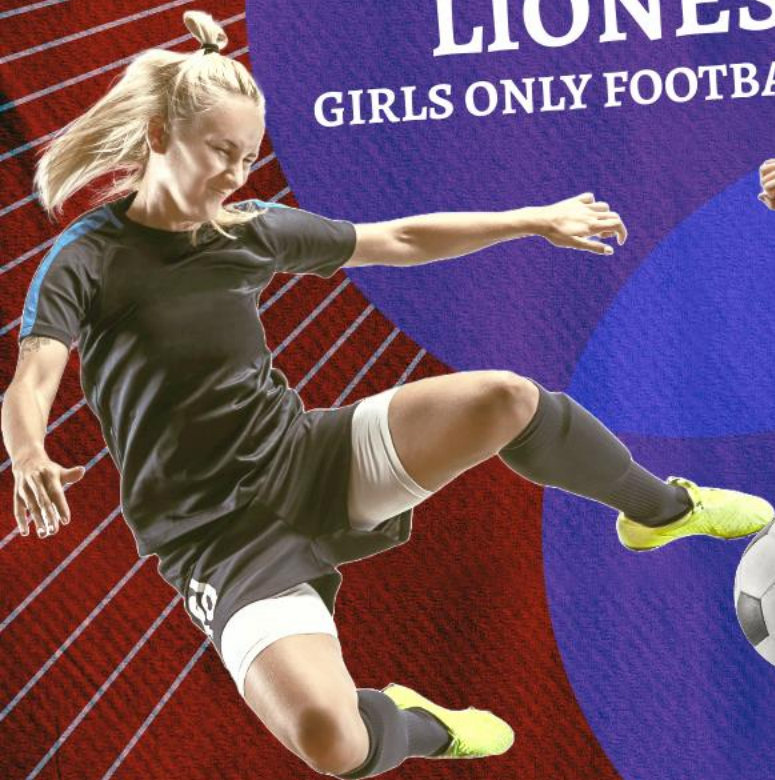
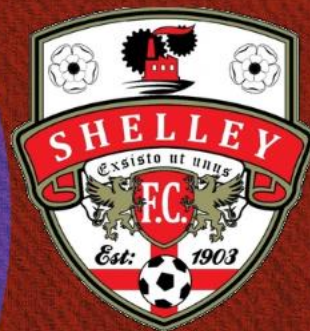
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U13S - U16S 2PM TIL 4PM

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12th February 11am - 1pm
Tolson Memorial Museum





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Huddersfield Elim & St James, Rawthorpe
are hosting Messy Church

Every 2nd Sunday of the month

3.30pm

Rawthorpe St James Church

HD5 9NG

We would love to see you there!



Tree Planting at Taylor Hill



Kirklees Council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019, with a vision to make Kirklees carbon neutral by 2038 - more info on the QR code:



Come and help us plant some trees at Taylor Hill on:

- **Wednesday 14th February 10am-12**
- **Saturday 17th February 10am-12**

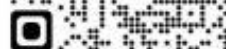
Hot dogs and warm drinks at the end of the session!

Meet at land behind Taylor Hill Road HD4 6HH

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Book via QR code:



For further information please contact:
Trees-Woodlands@kirklees.gov.uk

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