



Kell Bank News

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Happy New Year to everyone and welcome back.

We would particularly like to welcome Mrs Macrae to the staff; Mrs Macrae will be teaching in Class 2 alongside Mrs Simper and will have responsibility for Literacy and Special Educational Needs and Disability across the school. We hope she will be very happy here at Kell Bank.

After School Clubs

After School Clubs will start again this Monday 9th January, please note there are varying finish times. The sign-up sheets are on the office window.

Monday - No Club

Tuesday - Sports - finish @ 4:15pm

Wednesday - Film - finish @ 5:15pm (We kindly ask for £1 donation per child to cover the cost of refreshments)

Thursday - Board Games - finish @ 4:15pm

Friday - Drama, provided by AJ Academy of Performing Arts - finish @ 4:30pm

P.E and Swimming

All pupils need to have their full P.E kit in school each Tuesday for their lessons with the Sports Coach. On Wednesdays Reception to Year 4 (inclusively) will need their swimming kit for the swimming sessions at Bedale Pool. It is also useful if PE/Swimming kits are labelled clearly with your child's name as items of clothing can easily go missing.

Music For Life Session

Musicians from the Sowerby Music Group will be working with the whole school on the morning of Wednesday 11th January. The session will start with a concert by Helen Quale (trumpet) and Ben Hudson (Bassoon) followed by a musical composition workshop based around the theme of nutrition/healthy eating and healthy bodies. The children will be creating a song on that topic and using body percussion as accompaniment. The session will draw on aspects learnt in the concert to develop the children's musical skills, such as following a conductor, using dynamics, tempo and performance, as well as developing communication and team working. It should be a fun and exciting morning.

Years 5 & 6 Bewerley Park

Bewerley Park activity sessions start this Wednesday 11th January for Years 5 and 6, Please note, pupils will not be returning to school until approximately 4pm.

On Wednesday 11th January the children will be attempting the high and low ropes. The pupils need to be wearing warm clothing, hats, gloves, walking boots if they have them, and a warm waterproof coat (and trousers if they have them). Bewerley Park can lend them waterproof trousers if it is raining. The Bewerley Park tutor working with them is Darren Hainsworth, he will tell the groups what they need to wear the following week each time he meets them but will also be in touch with the School on the Monday or Tuesday of each week to confirm arrangements so should anything change we will notify you in advance as there may be times when the weather might dictate a change of programme.

Forest Schools

Our **First** Forest Schools session of the term will be on **Friday 13th January**. Please can we remind pupils to bring in wellies or sturdy walking boots, a waterproof jacket and trousers if you have them. As the weather is extremely cold at the moment, we would also suggest a warm layer. Please can girls wear trousers for the day as it offers more protection.

It is essential that all skin is covered to protect from stings, bites and the sun.



This Terms Payments

Dinner Money - The cost of a school meal from the 4th January is £2.30 and is only payable for pupils in Class 2. For the week the cost is £11.50 and for the half term will be £75.90. All credits will be carried forward.

Milk Money - The cost of milk is 10p per day and is payable for pupils 5 years old and over. For the half-term the cost will be £3.30.

Swimming Contributions - In order to provide swimming sessions for Reception to Year 4 pupils we ask parents for a voluntary weekly contribution of £2 to cover part of our costs. This provides extremely good value compared to external swimming lessons. For the next half-term the cost will be £14.00.

Head Teacher Award



****Friday 6th January - William and Matilda ****