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Parents and Carers,

We are amazed at how this first half-term of the academic year 2025-2026 has flown by. The children have settled in with remarkable ease, especially our new Reception Class.

Our July 2025 Data is available on the school website and our KS2 attainment has placed us in the top 20% of all schools Nationally, again.

Our school gates open at 8.35am and we continue to encourage our children to be in school as soon as they can. We close the school gate at 8.50am and any messages for Staff can be given, at the gate, to the Parent Liaison Staff member each day. We also welcome messages via the school phone or info@kirklangley.derbyshire.sch.uk. Across the Autumn Term we have experienced issues with Class Dojo due to privacy settings and GDPR. In the light of these difficulties we ask that communication come through the Office or at the gate depending on the sensitivity of the messages.

Attendance matters and across this academic year the school will monitor this along with the DFE and Local Authority. We will also be rewarding good attendance of 97% - 100% at the end of each term. Lateness is recorded and the school will work with families who need support.

Our attendance policies are also on our school website. Research proves that good attendance leads to good attainment and progress for a child.

Morning and After School Clubs are available to children from YR to Y6, please book and pay on Parent Pay. Please read the conditions for the Morning and After School Club regarding timings and expectations. If you need any help with this, speak to Mrs Wood or Mrs Burdette, our School Business Managers.

Again, the Home Learning provision we offer from 3.15pm to 3.45pm has been popular with both children and parents. It is a time where children can get more support with their learning. Our monitoring shows that pupils who stay for Home Learning attain National expectations and Depth in KS1 And KS2 tests. Evidence also shows those who may not attain Phonics Screening in Year 1 and Early

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Learning Goals, in Reception, close the 'gap' more rapidly towards the end of the Spring Term.

Home Learning:

We recognise the partnership between Home and School and its strong impact on a child's academic and spiritual development. At Kirk Langley Church of England Primary School our common language of spiritual development is Think! Reflect ! Act!

Each piece of Home Learning should be shared by the child with an adult/s at home. Please could the adult sign the Home Learning before it is handed in.

Enrichment:

12th September 2025 – Tough Rower AVSSP

19th September 2025 – Meynell Langley Traditional Tea Party 4pm -6pm KS2

19th September 2025 – School Council, ECO Council and Team Captains elections Y2 -Y6

24th September 2025 – Sudbury Museum of Childhood Victorian School Experience Year 5/6

3rd October 2025 – Harvest Act of Collective Worship in St Michael's

10th October 2025 – Interhouse Sports Day AVSSP – whole school

20th October 2025 – wear pink for Breast Cancer and bake sale – School Council

Safeguarding is always our number one priority. We have given our children the School Child Friendly Anti-Bullying Policy, but all our Safeguarding Policies are on the school website.

E- Safety has become a core focus across the past academic years and in Spring 2026, our PCSO will once again visit the school to speak both with the children and parents. The parents meeting at 3.15pm has been poorly attended across the last 3 academic years and hopefully in 2026 we will see more families at this important safeguarding meeting aimed at keeping children safe online.

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Forthcoming events:

5th December 2025 - Christingle Service at 2.30pm in St Michael's Church. All children to be collected from the Church and not the school.

12th December 2025 - Reception and KS1 Christmas performance at 2.15pm at school.

19th December 2025 - Carols and Crib Service at 2.15pm at St Michael's Church. Children will be dismissed from school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Stevenson
Headteacher