

Together, with God in our heart, the path to our dreams will start.



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Dear Families,

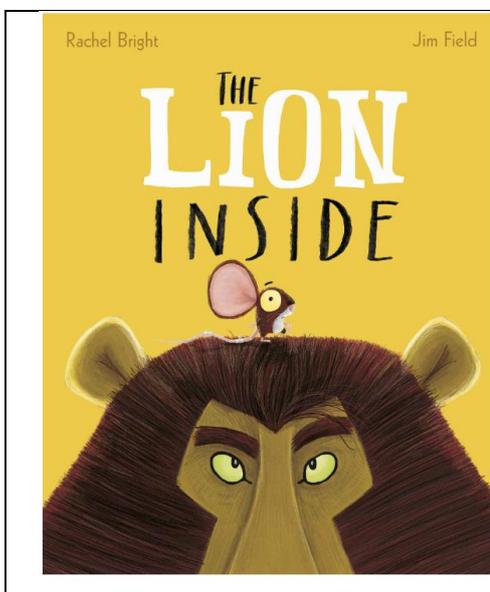
Welcome back to the second part of our Spring Term. I hope you all had a good rest and some nice time together during the break. This is a really busy term for us in school. I'll keep you updated in our newsletters but also remember our new website – it's FULL of information! www.kirkdalestlawrence.com

OUR TERMLY CHRISTIAN VALUE

This term we are focusing on my favourite of all the Christian values... Compassion. In a world so full of upheaval, it is so important to teach our young people the power of treating all things with kindness and compassion. All of our school worship will be based around this theme and our focus book for World Book Day (see below) If our children can understand what it's like to walk in someone else's shoes, they are more likely to be a member of our community that will change things for the better.



★★World Book Day ★★



World Book Day is next Thursday, the 2nd March. This year, we have decided **NOT TO DRESS UP**. While we absolutely love a dress up day, with the cost of buying food and keeping warm houses being so high we think the best thing to do is plan lots of fabulous FREE activities to mark the day in school rather than putting even more pressure on our families. We will be focusing lots of our activities around the book "The Lion Inside" It's a beautiful rhyming story that teaches compassion, kindness, understanding and self-confidence.



Scan this QR code to hear the whole book being read

Don't Forget **TUESDAY 28th FEBRUARY** is another strike day and so the whole school is **closed**.

Let's support our teachers in fighting for better funding in our schools.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS

When you filled in your parent questionnaires at the start of the year, many of you asked for more information about what your children are learning, **which was a really good point!** I hope you all received your child's Curriculum Overview booklet on the first day of term. These have been designed so they aren't too long to read but long enough to give you a real snap shot of the content of this term for your child. Any questions on the content, don't hesitate to ask the class teacher or Mrs Pollitt who is our curriculum leader.



This week we celebrated the beautiful range of languages we are lucky to have spoken by our families. We filmed our children saying hello in their home languages. It blows my mind how these brilliant children are being taught every lesson every day in English and are able to translate this and understand it even if it's a language that they only speak in school. Our children are amazing! ★★

You can see the videos on our school Twitter [@KSL_kirkdale](https://twitter.com/KSL_kirkdale)

<p>Miss McNeill @MissMcNeill15</p> <p>Celebrating #MotherTongueDay in Archer class 🌟🌟 @KSL_Kirkdale</p>	<p>Mrs Islam @MrsIslam8</p> <p>Walker Class say "Hello" using their 'mother tongue' #MotherTongueDay 🌟🌟 @KSL_Kirkdale</p> <p>56 views</p>	<p>Miss Kealey @KealeyMiss</p> <p>Celebrating #MotherTongueDay by teaching our class how to say 'Hello' in our home language 🌟 @KSL_Kirkdale</p> <p>181 views</p>
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<p>Parents' Evening</p>	<p>Wednesday 22nd March 2023 3.00pm-6pm</p>
<p>Parents Curriculum Showcase Come and see the work your children's class has produced this half term</p>	<p>Monday 3rd April 2023 9.00am-11.00am</p>

As always, the door is open. Please pop into see us if you have queries, questions, concerns or compliments!

Mrs J Campbell

Headteacher

