

Kirkbie Kendal School

Lound Road, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 7EQ

01539 727422 • www.kirkbiekendal.cumbria.sch.uk • info@kksa.co.uk



Headteacher:	Phil Hyman BSc MA	Assistant Headteachers:	Carla Barker BA
Deputy Headteacher:	Mark Harris BA		Mike Bousfield BA
Business Manager:	Amanda Eastwood BA	Associate Assistant Headteachers:	Helen Ronan MSci
			Jonathan Shepherd BA

PHn/BPe

13th May 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

I hope this finds you all safe, fit and well.

The students in all year groups have been working really well. Attendance is high at over 96% across the school and I would like to thank you and the students for your support of the ongoing CV-19 safety measures that will remain in place. The school will continue to follow government guidance on CV-19 controls when providing both curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Masks in school

We continue to follow Government guidance and therefore from Monday 17th May students will no longer need to wear masks in classrooms or communal areas. We understand that some people may feel nervous initially about the change and until half-term if a student wishes to continue to wear a mask we will allow them to do so. All other CV-19 safety measures remain in place including, for example, the year group bubbles, the one-way systems, 'split' lunch-time, hand sanitisers at classroom doors, and maintaining social distance as appropriate.

Drinking Water

We encourage students to drink water during the school day. They may refill their water bottles at lunchtimes using the water stations that are located in the hall for their year group bubble. Working with the School Council, we are encouraging students to recycle plastic bottles using the green and blue recycling bins around school.

Assessments

Our Year 11 and Year 13 students are completing their assessments to support the centre assessed grades that will help the exam boards to award the individual subject grades at GCSE and A level. Thank you for your support of your son/daughter at home through this period.

Ofqual have released their guide for students about grading this summer. You can read the [Student guide to awarding: summer 2021](#) on their website. The guide contains very similar information to the JCQ Guidance previously shared with Year 11 and Year 13 students and parents/carers.

Cycling

We are pleased that a significant number of our students cycle to school. If your child is one of those that cycle, please would you check that their bike is in roadworthy condition, and in particular that it has working brakes! Please encourage them to wear a helmet and observe the Highway Code. Thank you in anticipation.

Kirkbie Kendal School is a charitable company limited by guarantee in England and Wales. Company number: 07543834

care • courtesy • consideration • hard work

KKSA

The KKSA have planned two car boot sales to help raise money for additional resources in school (funding to school has supported many activities, eg, the purchase of new library books, chess sets, student benches, and the running of the school minibus). The next two dates to support are Sunday 23rd May and Sunday 27th June. They start at 7.00am and close about 1.00pm. If you can help with a couple of hours on the gate or serving tea/coffee, please would you let Alison Marsden know via friends@kksa.co.uk or via the school office or email info@kksa.co.uk using the heading 'Car boot sale volunteer'.

Nearly new uniform is another way of supporting our school. Any items of uniform that you no longer have use for can be dropped off at the school office for the KKSA to sell to raise money for the school and provide a service for parents/carers. The KKSA will have a nearly new uniform stall at the car boot sales.

Grease

I am pleased to say that the postponed school musical production of *Grease* is being planned, subject to any restrictions, for performances at the Brewery in December 2021. Rehearsals will recommence shortly again subject to CV-19 measures.

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 23 rd May	KKSA Car Boot (7.00am – 1.00pm)
Wednesday 19 th May	Year 11 and Year 13 study leave commences
Friday 28 th May	Break for half term holiday (normal school day)
Monday 7 th June	Students return to school
Sunday 27 th June	KKSA Car Boot (7.00am – 1.00pm)
Monday 28 th June	Year 6 Induction Day
Wednesday 7 th July	'Express Yourself' Talent Show (6.00pm- 8.00pm)
Tuesday 13 th July	School Walk
Friday 16 th July	End of term (finish at 12.00 noon)
Tuesday 10 th August	A Level Exam Results Day
Thursday 12 th August	GCSE Exam Results Day

Yours sincerely

Mr P Hyman
Headteacher