

# Kirkbie Kendal School

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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a very busy and successful half term, with lots of our teams out competing in county and national cups and competitions, inter form cross country, a Year 8 residential to Kepplewray and visitors into school. As always, we try and post photos from these activities on our social media accounts.

## Equipment

The half term break is a fantastic opportunity to restock pencil cases with essential equipment, ensuring that students are ready to learn in the classroom. Our library stationery shop is always well stocked and is very reasonably priced all year round.

## Results and performance tables

The most recent performance tables have been published online and we are delighted to see our continued excellent results recognised nationally. <https://www.find-school-performance-data.service.gov.uk/school/136671/kirkbie-kendal-school/secondary>

## Illness and absence

Attendance at school is vitally important but as you would expect as we move in to winter the rate of absence has increased. The current government advice around Covid and other respiratory illnesses is published here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19>

Key sections are included below:

*“Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.*

*Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.”*

*“It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.*

*If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower.”*

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**Year 11 Mock exams**

Year 11 students can take advantage of the time they can spend revising for their mock exams which begin on 1<sup>st</sup> December. Study advice can be found here:

<https://www.kirkbikendal.cumbria.sch.uk/parents/learning/study-guidance/>

I hope that students enjoy their half term and that parents and carers enjoy some changed routines.

We look forward to seeing all students back on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

Yours faithfully

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