



Barton, Ravensworth, East Cowton and Kirkby Fleetham CE Schools



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Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have all had another busy week, and it is always such a privilege for teachers to see them trying new things and persevering until they get them right. In collective worship we have been talking about successful people who have had to persevere when things got tough. The children have given some lovely examples of when they have had to persevere this week:

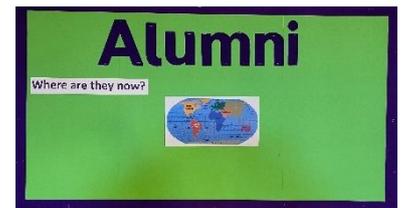
- "I had to persevere in maths when I had some 6 times table multiplication and division problems. I tried and tried and tried until I got it right" Tilly - Kirkby Fleetham
- "I had to persevere in swimming as I was a bit nervous beforehand but it was really fun and I was very pleased the water wasn't freezing cold!" Ted – East Cowton
- "I had to show perseverance in maths for the challenge. It took me ages, but I persevered and got it in the end" Alfie – Ravensworth
- "I had to show perseverance in science. I felt I couldn't do the task but when I used the resources to help, Mrs Harris said I did a really good job" Sophie – Barton

Alumni Project -Where are they now?

As part of our local History study this term we would like to look at the History of our schools. We are trying to contact ex-pupils to find out what they are up to now. We would love to hear from people who live locally, as well as those who have moved further afield.

We'd love to know what jobs or hobbies they've had – maybe they

would send us a picture and some information to add to our alumni display board. Please see our post on Facebook and share it widely to help us to contact as many people as possible.



Changes to isolation rules from Monday

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to school immediately on day 6. If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Cleaner/Caretaker Vacancy

We are looking for someone to become part of our staff team at East Cowton School. If you know of anyone who would be interested in 8 hours cleaning and 5 hours caretaking pw, please direct them to [East Cowton Cleaner/ Caretaker | North Yorkshire County Council](#)

Have a lovely weekend everybody,

Kind regards,

Mrs H Dudman
Executive Headteacher



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Barton CE School

Barton - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Stars of the Week	Rainbow Learners	Writers of the Week	Lunchtime Awards	SEAL Award
Class 1:	Tommy	JJ	Peaches Hunter	Bea	Sophie
Class 2:	Tom	Bear	Oscar and Cole	Thomas	Maddison-Lea
Class 3:	Poppy	Angelica	Faith and Chloe	Eva-Grace	Reef

News from our classrooms



We have had a fantastic start to the year in class 1. What a lot of learning we have been involved in this week! Just take a look at some of the lovely photos, they tell a great story. Fine motor skills, maths, painting, making salads, exploring spaghetti, and role play. The children have come back with positive attitudes and were eager to get back into exploring and spending time together. We have welcomed Mrs O'Reilly to our Class 1 team. She has supported our learning this week, helped us explore all the exciting activities during discovery time and has settled in well to our busy routine.

We started our new topic in English and had lots of fun talking about and sharing our favourite fairy tales. We are focusing mainly on the story of Rapunzel retold by Sarah Gibb. It is a lovely retelling of the tale with beautiful illustrations and some challenging new vocabulary for us to learn and understand.



Pupil Mental Health Champions

Some jokes from Class 1:

What is the bananas favourite dance?
The banana splits

From Sophie

Knock Knock
Who's there?
Doctor
Doctor Who?
You just said it
From Bea

Knock Knock
Who's there?
Annoying cow
Annoying cow wh...
Mooooo
From Alice

Barton – Dates for your diary

Thursdays	KS2: Brass lessons with Mr. Batty, please bring instruments back into school each Thursday
Monday 17th Jan	After school multi-sports club returns with Joe
Wed 8th - Fri 10th June	Year 5 & 6 Residential visit to East Barnby Outdoor Education Centre

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

Stars of the Week	Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Tilly and Niven	This week	64	109	84
	Total for year	905	795	735

Class News



It was off to the pool for us this week! It was great to have the opportunity to start our swimming lessons again after all this time. The staff at Richmond pool were excellent and the children benefitted from some fabulous tuition. Well done to both our experienced (almost Olympic!) swimmers, and also our very new, nervous ones. Great fun was had by all.



In class, we've had another excellent week of learning. Our fossils topic has got off to a rocking start and we've been lucky enough to explore Miss Wilson's extensive rock and crystal collection. We've also been continuing with our fabulous text *The Highwayman* and this week the children have been experimenting with writing verses for their own narrative poems, as well as creating some artwork inspired by figurative language. In computing children have been exploring the world of graphic design and learning all about vector drawing. As usual a fun-packed and hard-working week!

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

Every Thursday morning	Brass Lessons with Mr Batty – 9.30am
Tuesday 11th January to Tuesday 8th February	Whole School swimming lessons
Wed 8 th – Fri 10 th June	Years 5 and 6 residential to East Barnby

East Cowton CE School

East Cowton - Children celebrating achievements this week

	Certificates	Listening Cup	Achievement Shield	Caring Bear	House Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Class 1:	Thomas		Ted		This week	39	37	30
Class 2:	Daniel	Jack			Total	67	64	53

East Cowton News

Keeping safe: Last Friday, we had a whole school afternoon learning how to keep ourselves safe in a fire and emergency illness / accident situation. We spotted dangers in a bedroom, checked fire alarms, and created fire evacuation plans for our home and school. Using a script provided by the British Red Cross, we used roleplay to act out a scenario where a child might need to know how to contact the emergency services and request help from an ambulance. The older children supported the younger ones with their learning, and we had a fun afternoon with some serious messages covered.



Swimming: It was great to start swimming lessons again after all this time. The staff at Richmond pool were excellent and the children benefitted from some fabulous tuition. The school swimming lessons follow a different scheme to those the children may do in their private lessons, this offers a range of experience whilst still developing their skills. Well done to both our experienced swimmers, and also to our very new, nervous ones. Great fun was had by all.

This week in Class 2

We had our first Geography lesson of 2022 this week and it was a good one. The children had time to explore a range of maps and explored the differences between them. Later, they mapped out the classroom using symbols and they tried hard to think about scales and proportion. The children then challenged each other to find objects they had hidden by marking them on the maps.

In English, we met the disturbing looking and jealous character named 'Tim the Ostler.' We have discussed his appearance, acted out the scene, used speech, and thought bubbles to create a narrative. Some impressive writing followed, and it has been a pleasure to read and mark them.

Homework reminder

Please try to listen to your child read several times each week.

The children are learning spelling rules using the 'Read, Write, Inc' programme. They should be bringing home 'words to log and learn' and they are tested at some point during the following week.

They are also given a multiplication table to learn (next week x12) and this is tested each Friday.

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

Tuesday 11th	Whole School swimming lessons please bring swimming kit into school on Tuesday mornings. Please settle for the payment on ParentPay over the weekend if you haven't already done so. Thankyou.
January to Tuesday 8th February	
Wednesdays	PE kits needed for Wednesday afternoons.
Thursdays	Class two: Brass lessons with Mr. Batty, please bring instruments back into school each Thursday.

Ravensworth CE School

Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Stars of the Week	Writers of the Week	
Class 1:	Art & Rose	Sophie & Eli	Carpenter's Cup: Holly
Class 2:	Carter & Nathan	Ellie & Oliver	Monkey: Noah
Class 3:	Samuel & Alanna	Effie, Noah & Joseph	

News From Class 1



Happy New Year!

We have had a lovely start to the year in class 1. The children have come back with positive attitudes and were eager to get back into their learning - Mrs Hull and I have been very impressed! We have enjoyed spending lots of time catching up with one another and sharing stories about our Christmas celebrations. We even discussed the new year and came up with our own New Years' resolutions – I wonder who is sticking to them!

This week, we started our new topic in English and had lots of fun talking about and sharing our favourite fairy tales. We have started to explore the fairy tale Rapunzel which is a massive hit with the children, especially those who have already read the story! I have loved hearing so many fairy tale related discussions around the classroom and even hearing that some children are going home and talking about their favourite fairy tales!

In Science, we are continuing to explore the seasons of the year and are currently focussing on Winter. This knowledge came in handy last week when we got to school to discover that the outdoor area had been taken over by frost and ice! The children had lots of fun investigating the feel of the ice and were fascinated by touching, moving and breaking the ice ☐

Just a reminder that P.E. will continue on a Wednesday with Mr Irons so P.E. kits should be in school then.

Collective worship leaders

"I like collective worship as the whole school comes together. It is also a nice environment" Alfie
 "Everybody listens too which is lovely" Elizabeth. "I like how people get their names read out - it makes people feel good. It is a really nice way to pray" Alanna

Admin Information

The next Census day data collection is **Thursday 20th January**, our funding is calculated on the data submitted. Please contact the school office in confidence for further information if you think your child is eligible for means tested free school meals

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

Thursdays	Brass instrument lessons KS2 pupils please remember to bring your instruments to school
Mon 17th Jan	After School Science club - all places have now been filled.
Tues 18th Jan	Woodland Schools Class 3 (pm) Outdoor clothing & footwear required
Thurs 20th Jan	School Census Day data collection
Mon 31st Jan	*January instalment due date for Year 5/6 Residential on Parentpay*
Wed 8th - Fri 10th June	Year 5 & 6 Residential visit to East Barnby Outdoor Education Centre

Quick Links for Each School

BARTON

School Lunch Menu: [School Lunch information](#)

School Holidays/Term Dates: [Term-Dates-2021-2022](#)

The Friends of Barton School easy fundraising link: [Easy Fundraising](#)

The Friends of Barton School amazonsmile link: [Amazonsmile](#)

Wraparound care: [Breakfast and Afterschool Club](#)

Parentpay: [ParentPay Login](#)

Uniform: [Uniform School Shop](#)

Cool Milk: [Cool Milk](#)

Newsletter: [4 school newsletters link](#)

Covid 19 Risk Assessments: [click here](#)

KIRKBY FLEETHAM

School Admin email: kfadmin@eckf.dalesmat.org

School Lunch Menu: [School Lunch Information](#)

School Holidays/Term Dates: [Term Dates 2021-2022](#)

The Friends of Kirkby Fleetham School easy fundraising at no cost to you: [Kirkby Fleetham easy fundraising link](#)

Wraparound care: [Breakfast and Afterschool Club](#)

Friends of the School Facebook link: [Friends](#)

ParentPay: [ParentPay login](#)

Uniform: [Uniform order form](#)

Newsletter: [4 School newsletters link](#)

Covid 19 Risk Assessments: [click here](#)

EAST COWTON

Admin email address: ecadmin@eckf.dalesmat.org

School Lunch Menu: [School Lunch Information](#)

School Holidays/Term Dates: [Term Dates 2021-2022](#)

Friends of the school link: [Friends](#)

Wraparound care: [Afterschool Club](#)

ParentPay: [ParentPay Login](#)

Please ensure that your ParentPay accounts are in credit each week – Thankyou

Uniform Order: Order direct from School trends via this link: [School Trends.](#)

Newsletter: [4 school newsletters link](#)

Covid 19 Risk Assessments: [click here](#)

RAVENSWORTH

School Lunch Menu: [School Lunch Information](#)

School Holidays/Term Dates: [Term-Dates-2021-2022.](#)

Wraparound care: [Afterschool Club](#)

Ravensworth School Friends quick fundraising: - smile.amazon.co.uk

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/rsfarichmond/

Uniform: [school/uniform/](#)

Parent pay: [click](#)

Newsletter: [4 school newsletters link](#)

Covid 19 Risk Assessments: [click here](#)

School Facebook pages

Please help us to promote our schools by liking and sharing out Facebook pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/Barton-CE-Primary-School-107161734680028>

<https://www.facebook.com/East-Cowton-CE-School-101930341769707>

<https://www.facebook.com/Kirkby-Fleetham-CE-School-102216125067240>

<https://www.facebook.com/Ravensworth-CE-Primary-school-100240412148195>

Useful Contacts and Links for Parents

SENCO: If your child is struggling and you would like some advice, please contact their class teacher in the first instance, or you can contact Miss Crisp our SENCO on amycrispsenco@dalesmat.org

Keeping Children Safe Online

Whilst children are spending so much time online, we need to make sure we keep them as safe as possible. If you would like some advice on this, please see guidance for parents below:

[Talking to your child about online sexual harassment a-guide for parents 2021.pdf](#)

[How to protect children from online sexual harm | Internet Matters](#)

www.internetmatters.org/digital-family-toolkit/

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/news/getting-to-know-what-your-child-is-doing-online/>

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents>

<http://www.net-aware.org.uk/send-online-safety-hub/>

[Parent Zone](#)

If you are worried about the safety of a child or want to know more about how to keep your own child safe:

[NYSCP](#) (North Yorkshire safeguarding children partnership)

[NSPCC](#)

[Parents Protect](#)

Free School meals

If your circumstances have changed and you think you may be eligible for free school meals, please contact the school office or follow this link: [Apply for Free School Meals](#)



North Yorkshire local assistance fund

The fund has been established from 1 April 2013 to help families under exceptional pressure to stay together. Awards will be goods in kind, not cash, and will not have to be repaid.

warmandwell.org.uk/ For assistance with fuel and heating bills

County Music service

Is your child interested in playing a musical instrument? North Yorkshire County Music Service offer a wide variety of lessons for pupils. For more information on the type of lessons available and costs, please visit www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk to register your interest.

Sports links:

North Yorkshire Club Finder

A great way for schools to 'signpost' their pupils (parents/guardians) to their local clubs. The link can be found here - [North Yorkshire Sport - Activity Finder](#)