



Barton, Ravensworth, East Cowton
and Kirkby Fleetham CE Schools



Cornerstone Schools

Building Futures with Love

Our Christian value this half term: Perseverance

Friday 11th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Children's Mental Health Week 2022

At Cornerstone schools this week we have been celebrating and taking part in Children's Mental Health week, this year's theme was 'growing together' - encouraging children and adults to consider how we have grown and how we can help others to grow. Our pupil Mental Health Champions have been extra busy in leading 'mindful moments', 'check-ins' and morning jokes! Around our schools we have paid especially close attention to notice small acts of kindness and looking out for nice notes left for each other. Children took part in a variety of activities, such as: being kind to ourselves, poetry writing, sharing kindness, growth stories, singing, dancing and colouring our emotion. If you follow this link, you will find lots of lovely resources for parents and carers to get involved too: <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>



Safer Internet Day 2022

Tuesday 8th February was Safer Internet Day and we added to our digital safety and PHSE curriculum by exploring the theme of "All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online". Pupils discussed and explored scenarios that they could encounter online and thought about solutions to solving issues and problems that they or their friends may encounter. We looked at how we can apply our school 'SMART' digital safety motto to keep ourselves safe online:

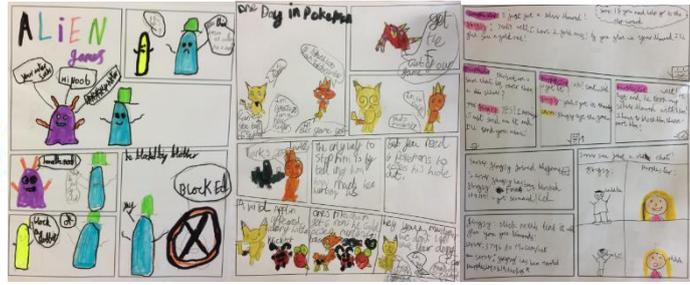
- S – staying safe by being careful and not sharing personal information
- M – meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous
- A – accepting emails, messages or files from people you don't know can lead to problems
- R – reliability of some things online is questionable, don't believe everything you see or read
- T – tell your parent, carer or trusted adult if someone or something online makes you uncomfortable



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Safer Internet Day



There is also a top tips section for parents and carers: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022/advice-for-parents-and-carers>

- **Having conversations without judgement.**
- ▲ **Knowing where you can learn more about their favourite apps and games.**
- **Getting support if things go wrong.**
- ◆ **Reassuring your child that whatever happens online, you are there to support them.**

Kind regards,

Mrs H Dudman
Executive Headteacher

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: | Daisy | Peaches | Sophie and JJ | Hunter | Ivy |
| Class 2: | Maddison-Lea | Thomas | Maci and Maddison - Lea | Oscar | Maci |
| Class 3: | Davey | Willow | Faith and Willow | Angelica | Eva-Grace |

News from Class 3

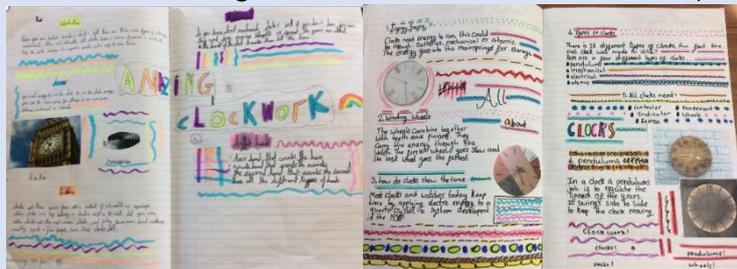


As you can see above, we have been very busy, not only thinking about our mental well-being and our online safety, but also about how we can keep each other safe too! We learned all about the recovery position and what to do if we ever came across someone in need of help. Mrs Percival and I are so proud of how well they all did – try asking them at home for some top tips!



Talk about fun geography lessons! We have been busy exploring what the crust, mantle, outer core and inner core of the Earth are by cutting into a watermelon! Mrs P was super kind and let them all take the melon home to eat afterwards! Healthy and brainy!

We are getting close to the end of our book 'Clockwork'. We explored the inner workings of clocks this week and brought together some amazing non-fiction texts to share our newly found knowledge.



This week we were really excited to find out that Barton church has a new vicar, we worked together to write a welcome message to introduce our school and welcome her to our parish!

Pupil Mental Health Champions

Here is a joke to make you smile this week from our Mental Health Champion Chloe:
Why do we tell actors to "break a leg"? Because every play has a cast!

Staffing update

We are currently advertising for a new out of school club leader. The information is available on our website, please do share with anyone who you think may be interested. [Vacancies - Dales Academies Trust](#)

Storm damage

You may have noticed that we have had some work taking place on our roof to remove loose tiles damaged by the storms last weekend. For the time-being the area directly in front of the school will remain out of bounds until all work is complete.

Barton – Dates for your diary

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| Mondays | After school multi-sports club |
| Thursdays | KS2: Brass lessons with Mr. Batty, please bring instruments back into school each Thursday |
| Tues 15th February | Year 5 Transition Visit to Richmond School - am |
| Friday 18th February | Break up for half term |
| Mon 28th February | Return to school |
| Tues 8th March | Parents Evening |
| Friday 27th May | Additional training Day – school closed |
| Wed 8th - Fri 10th June | Year 5 & 6 Residential visit to East Barnby |

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

| Stars of the Week | Dojo Points | Bolton | Middleham | Richmond |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Rollo and Edward | This week | 123 | 110 | 69 |
| | Total for year | 1239 | 1118 | 991 |

Class News

We have had a very exciting week and have enjoyed learning about the village. We looked at some wonderful old photos of the village and then walked around to see how much they had changed! We were able to find lots of landmarks that were in the old photographs but also some of the many changes. Did you know, where Tilly's house is, used to be a forge? The children took some great pictures around the village which they can then compare with the old photographs.



Mental Health Week

Today, the children have worked on the theme of 'growth' as part of mental health week. The children used their song to dig into the lyrics and linked them to our vision statement of 'building futures with love'.

OFSTED Inspection

Thank you to all of the parents who have responded to the OFSTED questionnaire and for all of your support.

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

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| Every Thursday morning | Brass Lessons with Mr Batty – 9.30am |
| Fri 18th February | Break up for half term |
| Mon 28th February | Return to school |
| Thurs 17th March | Parents evening |
| Wed 23rd March | Whole School Visit to Richmond – more information to follow |
| Friday 27th May | Additional training Day – school closed |
| Wed 8th – Fri 10th 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 | Star of the week | House Points | Bolton | Middleham | Richmond |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Class 1: | | | Faye | Maddie | This week | 59 | 40 | 52 |
| Class 2: | Maisey | Lissy | | | Total | 298 | 266 | 265 |

This week in Class



As it is Mental Health week, we have been learning about how important it is to keep our minds healthy. We've been thinking about ourselves, which links perfectly to our vision! Each morning, the children have started the day with a relaxed yoga session, kindly led by Mrs Tongue. The calming music, tranquil images and slow exercise has enabled us to start each day with a spring in our step. We've also spent time thinking about Spring and the positivity that new life and growth can make us feel.

The children enjoyed planting their own sweet pea seeds to nurture and grow. We look forward to seeing lots of sweet-smelling flowers in the summer. Our mental health champions (Daniel, Maisey, Claudia and Serenity) have been giving up their own free time to plan a team building game where the groups must solve riddles, to find clues, to locate the lost caring bear- should be fun on Friday!



On Wednesday, we watched the 2022 'Safer Internet Day' video. This was a fun way of reminding ourselves about how amazing and useful the internet is. This year the focus was on 'All Fun and Games' and being respectful and kind whilst gaming. Using the information from the video, the children in Class 2 took part in a poster competition judged by Mrs. White. Well done to Serenity and Lissy for presenting facts beautifully and in a clear informative way. The posters are going to be displayed around school.

In science, we found ourselves getting excited about soil! Class 2 investigated and learnt about the layers underneath our feet. We made a 'soil shake' and the results were interesting and clear. We could see the rocks and coarse sand in the bottom and the subsequent layers of sand, silt and water above, with parts of dead plants and animals floating on the top.

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

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| Wednesday 16th Feb | Bags to School |
| Thursday 17th Feb | Friends of School Film Night – please return consent forms to school office |
| Friday 18th Feb | Whole School to Kirkby Fleetham |
| Monday 7th March | Friends of School Disco |
| Tuesday 8th March | Year 5 and 6- Science Taster Day at Richmond School (morning only) Parents evening – appointment slots available from Monday 14 th February |
| Wed 23rd March | Whole school visit to Richmond – more information to follow |
| Saturday 26th March | Friends of School Town hall Event – Cake and tombola donations welcome! |

Ravensworth CE School

Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week:

| | Stars of the Week | Writers of the Week | |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Class 1: | Lily-May & Rose | Art & Jess | Carpenter's Cup: James |
| Class 2: | April & Kit | Tilly & Dexter | Monkey: Bobby |
| Class 3: | Alfie & Melody | Alanna, Samuel & Max | Kindness award: Lily-May |

News From Class 2

Class 2 have had another brilliant few weeks, working hard as always. We managed to finish our book 'The Lost Happy Endings' and started our new book 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons', which has been a thrill to read. In maths, we have continued our topics of addition and subtraction in year 2 and multiplication and division in year 3. The class have thoroughly enjoyed learning more about parables and God's forgiveness in RE. The year 2s were lucky enough to create their own musical instruments, while the year 3s continue to master brass. Matty was extremely impressed with their progression in Hockey this week and we cannot wait to hopefully play some games next week. We had a virtual assembly to celebrate safer internet day and the children learnt lots about how to stay safe online and what to do when they see something they don't like.



Safer Internet Day

This week all of the children have taken part in lessons about staying safe online. This year the focus was on gaming. Children are clear on the steps they can take to keep themselves safe while gaming – using report and block features if they are uncomfortable with what somebody is saying. The most important thing, everybody agreed, was making sure adults know what you are doing online – wise words from the children.

Admin Information

A big thank you to everyone for keeping changes to our bus loading list to a minimum as this really helps staff at the end of the day. Wherever possible to save confusion, please allow us to put your child on the bus as normal.

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

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| Thursdays | Brass instrument lessons KS2 pupils please remember to bring your instruments to school |
| Mon 14th Feb | Valentine's Lunch – all pupils are welcome to join us After school Science club 3.15-4.15pm |
| Tues 15th Feb | Woodland Schools for Class 2 (pm) Wellingtons & outdoor clothing needed Year 5 Visit to Richmond School (am) details were e-mailed to parents 09/02/22 |
| Thurs 17th Feb | Movie night – 3:15 – 5:30pm details were e-mailed to parents yesterday |
| Fri 18th Feb | Break up for half term |
| Mon 28th Feb | School re-opens Next instalment for East Barnby YR5 & 6 visit is due today |
| Wed 16th March | Parent's evening 4pm – 7pm. |

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](#)