Barton, Ravensworth, East Cowton and Kirkby Fleetham CE Schools

# Cornerstone Schools

## Building Futures with Love

## Our Christian value this half term: Perseverance

Friday 25th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another very busy week in our schools and this week our KS2 children had a wonderful trip to Richmond. They went on a tour of Richmond Museum and found out about Richmond from thousands of years ago to the present day. There were some amazing artifacts to explore. They loved their tour of the Georgian Theatre, and particularly enjoyed dressing up in some of the costumes! They had a picnic in the Friary Gardens in the sunshine and also conducted a maths trail around the town starting at the obelisk in the Market Square and visiting the Castle along the way.

**Elective Home Education**

Mrs Hume, our Base Leader at Kirkby Fleetham, has been commissioned to conduct some research into provision for parents who elect to home educate their children. If you know of any parents who have chosen this option for their child and might like to be involved in the study please ask them to call Mrs Hume on 01609 748431

**Easter Service**

Our schools will all be holding an Easter Service in Church during the week beginning 4th April. Please take a look at the diary dates below, it would be lovely if you could join us.

Kind regards,

Mrs H Dudman
Executive Headteacher

# Barton CE School

| Barton - Children celebrating achievements this week: | | | | | |
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| | **Star of the Week** | **Rainbow Leaners** | **Writers of the Week** | **Lunchtime Awards** | **SEAL Award** |
| **Class 1:** | Sophie | JJ | Bailey and Ivy | Peaches | Hunter |
| **Class 2:** | Thomas | Florence | Maci and Cole | Bear | Cole |
| **Class 3:** | Poppy | Isla | Poppy and William | Faith | Finley |

**News from Class 3**

What a busy week it has been! Our school councillors and Mental Health Champions have been working hard to arrange and plan our Ukraine coffee morning fundraiser for Friday morning. We loved reading some 'Tales from the Inner City' by Shaun Tan on Monday, I was so impressed by the hidden messages that we hid in our writing about the animal that we were describing. They were far too good at solving puzzles and seeing hidden signs in logos though!

On Wednesday, we loved being out on our Richmond history trip! The morning was tiring for our brains and bodies as we followed the Richmond maths trail, which took us from the obelisk to the castle to the church and then finally to the Georgian theatre. Some pupils definitely have the potential to be future tour guides as they remembered so many facts and so much information about the theatre. Being able to go up on stage (and under it too!) was an amazing experience. Finding out about the smells, lack of toilets and living conditions from when the theatre was built was certainly an eye opener too. We were very fortunate to have lovely sunny weather to eat our packed lunches in Friary Gardens. The exhibits in the Richmondshire museum kept us interested and entertained for ages: it was really fun to try on outfits from different time periods, to experience serving in an old-fashioned shop and to see the artifacts from Roman, Anglo-Saxon and Medieval times that had all been discovered so close to our homes.

**Pupil Mental Health Leaders and School Council**

Our Mental Health Leaders and School Council members shared their great thoughts and ideas about fundraising and came up with the idea for our Ukraine fundraising coffee morning.

**Coffee Morning in aid of Ukraine**

Thank you so much to everyone who supported our coffee morning today. We raised a grand total of £320.24 and we will also be selling some left-over cakes after school today so please bring some cash at pick up later.

**Vacancies**

We are still advertising for an **After school club leader**. The post is for After school club, 3:30-5:30pm Monday to Thursday. **Please could we ask parents to share the link on our facebook page** so we can reach as wide an audience as possible! The details of the post can be found on our website Vacancies.

| Barton – Dates for your diary | |
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| **Fridays** | Please join us for Collective Worship – 9.05am |
| **Tues 29th March** | Drumba session in school - am |
| **Thurs 31st March** | NCMP (National Child Measurement Programme) – height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6<br>Yr 5/6 Tennis Competition – letter to follow<br>**Next instalment due for Year 5/6 residential to East Barnby** |
| **Fri 8th April** | Break up for Easter – return Tuesday 26th April |
| **Friday 27th May** | Additional training Day – school closed |

# Kirkby Fleetham CE School

| Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week | | | | | |
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| Stars of the Week | | Dojo Points | Bolton | Middleham | Richmond |
| **Beau and Hollie** | | **This week** | 86 | 75 | 47 |
| | | **Total for year** | 1601 | 1479 | 1255 |

## Class News

It was wonderful to get out of school this week in the glorious sunshine and do some learning outside the walls of the classroom. The Georgian theatre trip was very inspiring, and the Richmondshire museum provided endless awe and wonder – the dressing up was a big hit too! Our 'maths walk' around the town kept us puzzling, counting and calculating, and it was wonderful to see some of the places we'd learnt about in class such as Willance House, the castle and the drummer boy stone. A great time was had by all!

In class we've had another excellent week of learning. Class Two started their new book 'Tales From the Inner City' by Shaun Tan and have got underway with a very exciting publishing project that we can't wait to share with you! We also welcomed some special guests into school – FROGSPAWN! Thank you to Mrs Arrowsmith!

## Red Arrows

Yesterday the children were lucky enough to catch a glimpse of the Red Arrows flying in formation! The Royal Air Force Aerobatic Team came close to Kirkby Fleetham as part of their Yorkshire flypast to honour the disbanding of 100 squadron which had been based at RAF Leeming.

| Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary | |
|---|---|
| **Fridays** | Please join us for collective worship on Friday afternoons at 3.05pm |
| **Every Thursday morning** | Brass Lessons with Mr Batty – 9.30am |
| **Tuesday 29th March pm** | Drumba session in school |
| **Friday 8th April** | Break up for Easter – return Tuesday 26th April |
| **Friday 27th May** | Additional training Day – school closed |
| **Wed 8th – Fri 10th June** | Years 5 and 6 residential to East Barnby |

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# East Cowton CE School

## East Cowton - Children celebrating achievements this week

| | Certificates | Listening Cup | Achievement Shield | Caring Bear | House Points | Bolton | Middleham | Richmond |
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| **Class 1:** | Ted | Sebastian | | | **This week** | 49 | 56 | 62 |
| **Class 2:** | Nate | | Lilly | George | **Total** | **628** | **600** | **608** |

## News from Class One

What a lovely week we have had in Class One, made even more special by the signs of Spring we are noticing around school. The bulbs we planted around school are starting to blossom and we look forward to seeing the pretty flowers in bloom very soon. We are also enjoying tending for our Sunflower seeds and Sweet Peas we have planted over the past few weeks. We are busy observing the best place in the classroom for our seeds, in the sunlight but not too hot to scorch them and watering them gently daily.
In maths our Reception children have been busy exploring patterns and the properties of shapes around our school, the Year Ones have been working hard to recognise different coins and our Year Twos are digging deeper into the concept of division through sharing and grouping.
We are enjoying learning about wheels and axels in DT. We have explored the different objects and vehicles with wheels around our school and looked at wheeled vehicles from the past such as chariots and carts. This week we have been busy planning a design for our own chariot and look forward to getting those built over the coming weeks.
As we approach Easter we will be making our own Easter gardens in Class One. These are normally no bigger than a small box but can be filled and adorned with soil, rocks, moss, leaves, flowers, sticks and stones. If you would like to collect some small objects over the next week or so with your child whilst you are out and about they are welcome to bring those into school to use. We aim to display these at our Easter Service in church during the last week of term.

## Easter Eggstravaganza Events

**Egg decorating** – Each year our children decorate a hard-boiled egg to enter into our competition which will take place on Thursday 7th April. Children can pick any theme they like, whilst the eggs are decorated in school, children are welcome to bring a small back-drop to help display their eggs which can be prepared at home.
**Egg rolling and Egg bash** – Children will need to bring 2 hard boiled eggs to school on the last day of term Friday 8th April to participate in the egg rolling and egg bash events.

## East Cowton – Dates for your diary

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| **Parent Worship** | Please join us for collective worship on Friday mornings at 9:05am |
| **PE Kits needed:** | Tuesday afternoon – PE sessions for both classes – PE kits needed in school<br>Wednesday for whole school PE session with Kirkby Fleetham |
| **Brass: Class 2** | Don't forget your brass instruments on Thursdays |
| **Saturday 26th March** | Friends of School Town hall Event – Cake and tombola donations welcome! |
| **Sunday 27th March** | Mothering Sunday Service at All Saints church at 11am |
| **Wed 30th March** | Drumba in school in afternoon alongside sports coach |
| **Thursday 31st March** | Friends of School Disco |
| **Tuesday 5th April** | Easter Service in church at 2pm |
| **Friday 8th April** | Break up for Easter – return Tuesday 26th April |
| **Tuesday 3rd May** | AM: Year 5/6 Science session at Richmond School PM Years 1/2 Multi Skills Comp |
| **Friday 27th May** | training day – school closed |

# Ravensworth CE School

**Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week:**

| | Stars of the Week | Writers of the Week | |
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| **Class 1:** | Isaac | Lily-May and Art | **Carpenter's Cup:** Miss Noble |
| **Class 2:** | Tilly & Harvey | James & Nathan | **Monkey:** Samuel |
| **Class 3:** | Bobby, Max & KS2 | Alanna, Lucy & Melody | **Kindness award:** Elliot, Samuel & Florie |

## News From Class 1

We have had a great week in class one ☺. The weather has been lovely and the children have had big smiles all around! It has been great spotting signs of spring and observing the bulbs blossoming in the school grounds. We have even planted our own seeds and are already looking forward to observing them over the next few weeks to see what changes occur!

Yesterday, the children were amazed to find a trail of bread in our classroom! There were many queries as to how it got there, who had left it and why it was in our classroom… some children predicted that the mischievous elf had been back to our school whilst others thought we had a visit from a bird! After following the trail, we discovered our new class story Hansel and Gretel! We can't wait to read it.

This week in geography, year 1 and 2 explored villages, towns and cities. We looked at examples of each and thought about their characteristics, focusing on the similarities and differences between each place. We then used this knowledge to explain how we know that Ravensworth is a village and Richmond is a town...the children had some brilliant explanations. Reception enjoyed thinking more specifically about where they live and explored different types of housing. They took a walk around the school grounds to spot different types of houses and were able to talk about which villages they lived in and the type of house that they live in. We then painted pictures of our houses

## Messy Church

Next week marks the very welcome return of Messy Church. Our wonderful band of volunteers will be back in school ready to lead some creative, thought provoking and fun activities around the theme of Easter. All children are very welcome to join in for 2 hours – they will be provided with a tea of sandwiches, carrot sticks, cucumbers and a delicious and very special cake. Come along and join the fun!

## Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

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| **Thursdays** | Brass instrument lessons KS2 pupils please remember to bring your instruments to school |
| **Fridays** | Parent worship – 2.40pm all welcome |
| **Wednesday 30th March** | Drumba in school (am) - PE kits needed. Messy Church Straight after school until 5:30pm.<br>**Final instalment for YR5&6 Residential is due today** |
| **Thursday 31st March** | National Child Measurement Programme – height and weight checks for Reception & Y6 |

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## 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:
https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/
https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents
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*
Parent Zone

**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

**Cricket**
Happening at a local club near you for 8 weeks! Find your local cricket club at:
All Stars cricket for 5-8 year olds https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars
Dynamos cricket for 8-11 year olds: https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricket