Barton, Ravensworth, East Cowton and Kirkby Fleetham CE Schools

Cornerstone Schools

Building Futures with Love

Our Christian value this half term: Perseverance

Friday 4th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day

We had a fabulous time celebrating World Book Day. The children had thought really hard about their book characters and had put a lot of thought in to their costumes. It was lovely to see them sharing their enthusiasm for books and their love of a great story. A massive thank you to all the children and parents who went to so much trouble to make it a special day

Rhythm of Life, Lent worship

This week in collective worship we have thought about how and why Christians celebrate Lent. We have learnt about why we eat pancakes on Shrove Tuesday and the significance of Ash Wednesday.

Throughout Lent and Easter we will be using the Diocese of Leeds' 'Rhythm of life' resources which focus on seven habits that can help us to flourish and understand our lives and relationships a bit better. We will think about how to live these habits in our daily lives.

This week we have been thinking about all of the amazing things that our families do for us, and the ways in which we can help them in return.

Absences

Please can we ask that if your child is sick or if you have a message for school staff, that you send this to the admin email address. Please don't post messages about pupil attendance on Class dojo, as these don't always get picked up until the class teacher logs in.

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 Leaners**	**Writers of the Week**	**Lunchtime Awards**	**SEAL Award**
Class 1:	Alice	Bailey	Hunter and Daisy	JJ	Alexis
Class 2:	Maci	Florence	Thomas/Maci	Tom	Maddison-Lea
Class 3:	Eva-Grace	Phoebe	Heath and Chloe	Heath	Archie

News from Class 1

Our first week back after half term has been full of fun, messy and creative learning. It was so lovely to see all the children in class 1 so enthusiastic to be back at school and eager to learn and explore new things. We seem to have spent a lot of time rolling, patting, squeezing, twisting and stirring things.

First it was playdough pancakes- we used our imaginations to create some very sweet and delicious ones. The children wowed me with their creations, and I am now full of pretend pancakes with ice cream, berries, chocolate, honey and fruit on top. Then the Reception and nursery children created playdough snakes in maths and talked about their length using the words longer and shorter. Finally, we were icing biscuits for Little Red Riding Hood to take to Granny's house. We are watching the BBC Teach story episodes every day and love seeing what the big, bad wolf will do next.

The year 1s are coming to the end of their Numbers to 20 unit and have worked hard to recognise, write and add numbers from 0-20. Some of us still need to work on our quick recognition of these numbers before we move onto numbers to 50 and then 100 by the end of the year. It would be very helpful if you could help with this at home. Playing the 'Snakes and Ladders' game is an easy way to support this.

World Book Day

We had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day on Thursday. It was exciting to see the children eagerly arriving at school in their clever and thoughtful book character costumes. During the day, we enjoyed lots of reading and reading activities. It was so lovely to walk around school and see everyone having fun, sharing books and talking about books. Our favourite time of the day was all getting together in Class 1 and reading to each other.

Barton – Dates for your diary	
Fridays	Please join us for Collective Worship – 9.05am
Tues 8th March	Parents Evening – **CANCELLED**
Weds 16th March	Parents Evening
Wed 23rd March	KS2 Visit to Richmond – more information to follow
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					
Stars of the Week		Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Tilly, Chloe and Isaac		**This week**	**86**	**85**	**64**
		Total for year	**1395**	**1290**	**1117**

Class News

The whole school had an amazing afternoon with Dave from Skip2bfit on Tuesday afternoon – the sun was shining, enthusiasm and perseverance were rife and most importantly, the children had a fantastic time! Dave was very impressed with their progress and encouraged the children to keep practising at home. We are thoroughly looking forward to our next session in the summer term!

World Book Day

We think this was probably one of our best World Book Days ever at Kirkby Fleetham! The mood was just right – fun and excitable with all the fabulous costumes, and then calm and deeply reflective in class about reading and our love of books. We formed a 'reading circle' in the morning and everyone shared important books from their lives and considered some big questions about the power of books to change lives and perceptions. In the afternoon, the children were challenged to plan and write a book for a very young child. We certainly have some budding authors and illustrators in our midst, because the final results were fantastic. There are already plans afoot to publish our efforts!

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary	
Every Thursday morning	Brass Lessons with Mr Batty – 9.30am
Thurs 17th March	Parents evening
Wed 23rd March	KS2 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	Caring Bear	House Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Class 1:	Theo		Evelyn	Dan	**This week**	50	37	40
Class 2:	Serenity	Noah			**Total**	**450**	**425**	**420**

This week in Class Two

The week started well with an exciting new text in English- The Viewer by Shaun Tan. We made predictions about a baby's future by examining strange objects on a quilt; we then drew items on to our own quilt and wrote the start of a biography about ourselves.

Red faced and sweaty, we powered through a 'skip 2b fit' work out session with Dave! Lilly loved the 'hot foot' skipping and Lissy challenged herself to beat her personal best in the 2-minute skipping challenge.

World Book Day presented us with some excited book characters arrive at school. Jack made a brilliant 'Dog Man;' George looked just like 'Inspector Bubblewrap' from the Treehouse series and Lucy dazzled us in her beautiful Belle outfit from Beauty and the Beast. At lunch time, Mrs Raw fed us with a delicious book themed lunch- the Hungry Caterpillar biscuits were a real hit! In the afternoon, we did some extra pages to go in the book 'The Wonder' By Faye Hanson. The children had some fantastic ideas and enjoyed creating illustrations using pastels. They also shared their favourite books with one another and giggled together during paired reading.

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

Parent Worship	Please join us for collective worship on Friday mornings at 9:05am
PE Kits needed:	Tuesday afternoon – Class two Wednesday for whole school PE session with Kirkby Fleetham
Brass: Class 2	Don't forget your brass instruments on Thursdays
Tuesday 8th March	Year 5 and 6- Science Taster Day at Richmond School (morning only) **Parents evening –** appointment slots available by contacting Mrs White
Tuesday 15th March	Year 5 and year 6 Netball tournament 12:30 – 3pm - more information to follow
Wed 23rd March	KS2 visit to Richmond – more information to follow
Saturday 26th March	Friends of School Town hall Event – Cake and tombola donations welcome!
Thursday 31st March	Friends of School Disco
Friday 8th April	Break up for Easter – return Tuesday 26th April
Friday 27th May	Additional training day – school closed

Ravensworth CE School

Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Stars of the Week	Writers of the Week	
Class 1:	Henry & Jess	Sophie & Rose	**Carpenter's Cup:** Amber
Class 2:	Nathan	Oliver & Freddie	**Monkey:** Bobby
Class 3:	Bobby & Alfie	Elizabeth, Charlotte & Chloe	**Kindness award:** Teachers

News From Class 1

In Class One we started the week with some pancake day celebrations and the children had lots of opportunities to create and decorate their own delicious pancakes! We followed a recipe to make our own pancake mix for Brenda, decorated pancakes with lots of sweet treats, wrote pancake day shopping lists and even enjoyed flipping pancakes in a pan! We also discussed Christian beliefs around Shrove Tuesday in preparation for Easter.

World Book Day was a massive success and the children looked amazing in their costumes! We had lots of fun celebrating and talking about our favourite books with one another. We enjoyed scavenger hunts, wild reading, making bookmarks and listening out for the bell telling us it was time to put everything down and read! Some of us have even enjoyed making our own books this week and using staples or treasury tags to attach the pages together. We explored oral hygiene this week and focussed on the importance of brushing our teeth. We talked about why teeth are important, looked in mirrors to explore our own teeth and discussed the ways in which we can keep our teeth healthy. We then focussed on brushing our teeth and had fun listening to songs to help us. We even had a go at brushing the large set of teeth with the giant toothbrush! 🦷 If anybody knows of anyone working in the dental industry that would be willing to work with the younger children across our 4 schools, please do get in touch! We would be ever so grateful 😊

World Book Day

We had a wonderful time in school celebrating our love of books and reading on Thursday. Not only did we have a whole school book share, we also had lots of opportunity to talk about books and to stop everything and just read. It was blissful!

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

Thursdays	Brass instrument lessons KS2 pupils please remember to bring your instruments to school
Mon 7th Mar	Road Safety talk for all our pupils in school 1.15pm After School Science club 3.15 - 4.15pm for all who have signed up
Wed 9th Mar	Tempest Photography for group photos 1.00pm
Tues 15th Mar	Skip 2 Bfit day PE kits needed for all pupils
Wed 16th Mar	Parent's evening 4pm – 7pm – details to follow soon
Fri 18th Mar	Red Nose Day – details to follow soon
Wed 30th Mar	Messy Church to be confirmed **Final instalment for YR5&6 Residential is due today**

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