



Barton, Ravensworth, East Cowton
and Kirkby Fleetham CE Schools



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Building Futures with Love

Our Christian value this half term: Service

Friday 29th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to welcome all the children back on Tuesday and to hear all their holiday news. Our whole school topic this term is 'Food glorious food'. The younger children will be growing their own food and preparing a healthy treats for our Jubilee celebrations, the older children will be learning about the Victorian Era. Our learning letters for this term will be coming home shortly.

East Barnby Residential

Our year 5 and 6 children are getting very excited about their forthcoming residential to East Barnby taking place on Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th June. We would be grateful if all parents could settle for the final balance payment in order for us to pay the invoice for the visit. We have organised the coach to take the children, and a form will be emailed to you shortly to gather final details from you regarding the visit.

We will be organising some parent meetings over the next few weeks. Please see diary dates below.

Christian Value

Our Christian value this term is service.

Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

Ofsted

Ravensworth CE Primary school had a visit from Ofsted yesterday. This was the third inspection for our schools since we became academies. We are not allowed to share any news with you about it yet, but the report should be published in around 30 days. Thank you to parents for all your support and your speedy responses to the questionnaire.



Art Resources

As part of our learning about 'The Arts and Crafts Movement' in Victorian times, children will be making their own rag rugs this term. In preparation for this we are asking for donations of old clothes that can be cut up into strips and recycled into our creations. The best fabrics for this are t-shirts, fleeces and cotton jersey fabrics. If you could start sending your spare garments into school that would be wonderful. Many thanks or your help.

Let's hope the sun shines for us this bank holiday weekend!

Kind regards,

Mrs H Dudman



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Barton CE School

Barton - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Star of the Week	Rainbow Learners	Writers of the Week	Lunchtime Awards	SEAL Award
Class 1:	Peaches	JJ	Freddie & Sophie	Bailey	Alice
Class 2:	Oscar	Florence	Thomas & Charlie	Tom	Thomas
Class 3:	Poppy	Chloe	Isla & Poppy	Angelica	Willow

News from Barton School

Class 1 and 2 have made an excellent start back this term. It was lovely to see each other and share stories of chocolate and the Easter Bunny. This week, Class 2 have started their English text Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. What a fantastic story! Class 1 are exploring rhythm, rhyme and alliteration in poetry. With this half term being so short, we have hit the ground running and have enjoyed getting straight back into our afternoon lessons together. A particular highlight has been learning about the 7 days of creation in RE. The story described how God created the heaven and Earth, plants, animals and people. We are creating a hanging mobile with pictures illustrating what happened on each day. We will send some pictures on Dojo when these are finished.



We have been very busy in Class 3 already: this week has flown by as we dived into our new topic of Food Glorious Food! We've loved finding out about Victorian life from our new class book, The Railway Children, and watched a short part of the film too. It was exciting to see how our hard work in Forest Schools last term is already leading to some terrific looking plants and trees. The tulips we planted on our vision launch day have flowered and the playtime gardening club gardeners were straight back into weeding their areas. Our Y5 and 6s are getting excited for East Barnby this term and we have an information evening that we hope parents, carers and children will be able to attend on Wednesday straight after school next week.



Pupil Mental Health Champions

Poppy must have had lots of eggs over Easter as she came back in with this joke to make us all laugh: Why can't eggs tell each other jokes? *Because they're too worried about cracking up!*

Barton – Dates for your diary

Friday 29th April	Final balance for East Barnby trip due!
Wednesday 4th May - 3:40pm	East Barnby - Year 5 and 6 Parents and Carers Information Evening
Mon 9th May – 12th May	SATS Week – Year 6 pupils
Friday 27th May	Additional training Day – school closed
Wed 8th – Fri 10th June	Year 5 and 6 residential to East Barnby

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

Stars of the Week	Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Chloe and Hollie	This week	57	85	38
	Total for year	1733	1655	1353

Class News



This has been such an exciting week in Class 1 as we have welcomed 2 new starters to our group! They have settled in so beautifully and the children are loving playing and learning together. The older children have enjoyed taking on the role of looking after them and it's already feeling like they've always been a part of Kirkby Fleetham.

We have spent the week reading and writing poems, planting seeds, exploring trees, making play dough, sorting food, counting blocks, finding half and generally enjoying being out in the spring weather.

Class Two have got off to a cracking start with all their topics this term. The Victorians will be our main focus and Mrs Hume and Mrs Harper are already polishing their canes and stirring the salty porridge, ready for a Victorian School Experience Day! Art lessons promise to be very exciting this term too, as we begin to explore the Victorian Arts and Crafts Movement through the work of William Morris. We're all steam ahead in English lessons as well, studying the fantastic classic text 'The Railway Children'. And finally, a big well done to our two wonderful Year 6 boys, who have had heads down, working extremely hard in preparation for their SATS tests in a couple of weeks time.

Friends news

The Friends are holding a chocolate raffle for a delicious looking collection of chocolate goodies!

If you would like to buy some tickets, please contact Fran before 13th May on either fhilyer@btinternet.com or 07592 539545.

The draw will be made on 14th May.



Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

Mondays	Please bring PE kits and water bottles to school
Thursdays	Please bring brass instruments to school
Fridays	Please join us for celebration worship at 3.05pm
W/C 9th May	SATS week for year 6
Friday 27th May	Training Day – school closed, return to school after half term on 6.6.22
Wed 8th – Fri 10th June	Years 5 and 6 residential to East Barnby
Date to be confirmed	East Barnby information meeting

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:	Dan		Faye		This week	55	53	42
Class 2:	Nate	Claudia		Tate	Total	55	53	42

News from Class Two

It's been nice to welcome back some happy, rested faces after the Easter break. As always, I've enjoyed hearing about the children's experiences over the break; I've been told about water parks, London Zoo and interesting sports the Irish partake in to name but a few! In English, the children have been introduced to this half terms text: The Railway Children by E Nesbit. This is a classic novel and happens to be one of my favourites. The book links nicely with our history topic this term, which is the Victorians. I'm hoping we can organise an exciting trip at the of the half term to experience what life at this time might have been like. The year 5's enjoyed piecing a skeleton together as part of their Animals Including Humans topic. They had an interesting debate surrounding the names for 2 bones within the leg, eventually remembering- the tibia and the fibula!



With less than two weeks to go until the SATS, Year 6 have impressed me with their determination and perseverance. They never moan about doing a practise paper, in fact, they ask me when they are doing the next! All 5 of them have shown resilience and are making me feel extremely proud of them.

Reminders

Friday 30th April – Please could all year 5 and 6 parents pay the final instalment for the East Barnby residential visit today.
Monday 2nd May – is a Bank Holiday so school will be closed and re-opens on Tuesday 3rd May
Tuesday 3rd May - Please could all parents of children in years one and two complete and return the multi skills consent form to the school office on Tuesday.

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

Parent Worship	Please join us for collective worship on Friday mornings at 9:05am
PE Kits needed:	Wednesday for whole school PE session with Kirkby Fleetham Friday afternoon – PE sessions for both classes – PE kits needed in school
Brass: Class 2	Don't forget your brass instruments on Thursdays
Tuesday 3rd May	AM: Year 5/6 Science session at Richmond School PM: Years 1/2 Multi Skills Comp
W/C 9th May	SATS week for Year 6
Thursday 12th May	East Barnby meeting for parents and children – 3.30pm
Friday 27th May	Training day – school closed <u>return after half term on Monday 6th June</u>
Wed 8th to Fri 10th June	Year 5 & 6 Residential to East Barnby

Ravensworth CE School

Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Stars of the Week	Writers of the Week
Class 1	All of Class 1, Rose, Louie,	Jess & Eli
Class 2	Freddie, Tilly, Whole of Class 2	Harvey & Amber
Class 3	Lucy, Bobby & Joe & Poppy	Alanna, Samuel, Effie

News from Class 1



We have had a lovely start to our summer term and the children have all come back to school with big smiles on their faces, eager to get going! 😊

It is always lovely to hear about the wonderful things that the children have enjoyed getting up to during the holidays and their enthusiasm to tell us all about it is captivating! We used this enthusiasm in our writing this week as we wrote a recount about one thing that we enjoyed doing in the Easter holidays. The children in reception worked hard to write labels, captions and even full sentences with capital letters and full stops! The year 1 children worked hard at writing in the past tense and using time conjunctions to say when something happened – great work everyone!

It has been brilliant being able to get out into our outdoor area now that the weather is starting to get warmer. We have been looking for signs of spring this week and we have also been making minibeast homes so that we can take care of the minibeasts we find in our outdoor area. The children have been using their knowledge from our last DT topic to think carefully about their design and the reasons for their choices as well as evaluate and improve their designs to make them even better!

I just wanted to give a special mention to all the children in class one who were brilliant on Thursday during our OFSTED inspection. They coped so well with all the changes to our timetable, never once complained and were such a delight and pleasure to have in class 1. They are a credit to you all. We are so proud 🌸🌸

Charity Bike Ride



Mrs Hegarty and Ms Taylor are busy training as the moment for a charity bike ride that they are undertaking from 10th – 12th June. They will be cycling from coast to coast. They are looking for sponsorship with all the money raised going towards the school to benefit the children. If you would like to contribute, please follow the 'just giving' link below or if you'd prefer, please send some money in with your child in an envelope labelled with what it is for. I know they will value any support you can give.

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/christine-](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/christine-taylor-209?utm_term=aJV3Gdy9j)

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Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Wednesday 4th May (3.30 - 4pm)	East Barnby – Y5/6 parent information session
Friday 6th May	NCMP – National Child Measurement Programme (Reception & Y6)
w/c 9th May	SATs week for Y6
Friday 27th May	Training day – school closed return after half term on Monday 6 th June

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.northyorkshiremusicclub.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/dynamocricket>