



Barton, Ravensworth, East Cowton
and Kirkby Fleetham CE Schools



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Our Christian value this half term: Service

Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,



We have been enjoying the lighter nights and looking forward to warmer weather on the horizon. On sunny days please can ALL children come to school with a water bottle and a cap or sun hat to protect them from the sun. Please can parents ensure their child comes to school with sun cream already applied, and that they have their own sun cream in a NAMED bottle to be kept in school.

In the warmer weather children tend to remove their jumper at some point during the day – they are not brilliant at keeping track of where they leave them, and we tend to spend a lot of time jumper hunting. Please could I ask all parents to ensure their child's jumper is clearly marked with their name so that we can get it back to them quickly.

Y6 SATS week – Next week

If you have a child in year 6 you will be well aware that next week is SATs week. We have tried to reassure the children that this is not something they should unduly worry about, and that they should rest this weekend so they are ready for a busy week ahead. We will start the tests soon after 9am each morning so please ensure they arrive promptly to give them time to prepare. If your child should be ill on a day that they have a test, please ring us as early as possible and we will be able to advise you. The timetable for the week is below:

Date	Test
Monday 9th May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 1 English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 2: spelling
Tuesday 10th May	English reading test
Wednesday 11th May	Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic test Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 12th May	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

Ofsted

The strength of our four school team has again been praised by Ofsted. A huge well done to the staff and pupils at East Cowton school for their fantastic Ofsted report which can be found on the website here: [Ofsted Inspection Reports](#)

Have a super weekend everyone,

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:	Freddie	Tommy	Bailey Hunter	Daisy	Bea
Class 2:	Cole	Bear	Cole and Bear	Thomas	Charlie
Class 3:	Willow	Eva-Grace	Poppy and Chloe	Reef	Angelica

News from Class 2



What a super start to the Summer Term we have had! We launched our topic of Food, Glorious Food by exploring Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. In English, we have been looking at his use of language and writing in his style to describe a character from one of his books, we are looking forward to reading and finding out more about Charlie and Willy Wonka and all the wonderful chocolate he creates.

In Maths we have moved on to exploring and investigating shapes. Year 2 have begun by looking at the properties of shape whilst year 3 have been exploring the turns and angles in shapes. In the afternoon, in our science lessons, we have been exploring plants and investigating fruits and vegetables, we will be growing some of our own over the next few weeks, in the hope that by the end of term we can have a crop that we can eat. We would be extremely grateful for any seeds/plant/cutting donations to enable us to have a rich crop later in the summer. In RE we are exploring the Creation story and have enjoyed learning how Christians believe the world came to be and this week we have been thinking about what we do to rest, just as God did on the seventh day.

As the weather is starting to become warmer can we ask that the children bring a hat along with spare shoes to school each day, it is also very important to stay hydrated too so may we also request that the children bring a water bottle that we can fill for them each day.

Pupil Mental Health Champions

Here is an awesome joke from our Mental Health Champion Chloe:

What does a house wear? A-ddress!

And here is one from Poppy and Isla:

What's a farmer's favourite part of a movie? The trailer!

Barton – Dates for your diary

Friday's	Please join us for Collective Worship at 9.05am
Mon 9th May – 12th May	SATS Week – Year 6 pupils
Mon 9th May	Multi Sports 3.30-4.30pm
Tues 24th May	Jubilee Picnic - See attached email
Friday 27th May	Additional training Day – school closed
Mon 6th June	Return to School
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
Wesley and Tilly	This week	40	46	31
	Total for year	1773	1701	1384

Class News



Class 2 have had one of those serious 'heads down' weeks! We've been all steam ahead with our English text 'The Railway Children' and been enjoying reading some classic fiction. The historical language and ideas of this lovely story have been a great contrast to some of the contemporary fiction we have read recently. In Maths, Year 3 and 4 have been working extremely hard on their times tables, ready for the national test coming up in a few weeks' time – Mrs Wheatley has taken to Victorian rote-learning and won't let them out of the door until they've got the answer right! 😊 Year 5 have started a new geometry topic in maths, and as for Year 6, well they are more than well prepared for the challenges that await them with SATS next week!

In Class 1 we have been learning all about plants in our environment. We've learned the parts of a plant, how they grow and how to identify different types of trees based on their leaves and bark. We've also thought about why certain foods grow better in warm climates and others are better suited to cooler climates. Many of the children have grown food in their own gardens at home and were able to help us with our learning! The most exciting moment of the week was a walk to the Kirkby Fleetham plant stall on Wednesday morning! We bought lots of flowers, tomato plants, raspberry canes and chives. We've moved them into bigger pots and can't wait to see how our new plants grow and even feed us!



Friends news

Well done again to the Friends who managed to raise a fantastic £75 last night at their quiz! Thank you to everyone for organising and to those of you who attended. Please note that the next one will be held on Thursday 7th July.

Don't forget about the amazing chocolate quiz being organised by the Friends, tickets are still available. Contact Fran on either fhilyer@btinternet.com or 07592 539545. Draw to be held 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:	Evelyn	Ted			This week	47	42	48
Class 2:	Noah		Lissy		Total	102	84	101

News from Class One

What a super start we have had to the week in Class One!

To launch our Come Outside topic this term the Reception children had chance on Tuesday afternoon to explore our wonderful outdoor area here in school. We looked closely at things that were growing in and around our school and have started a beautiful display of plants and flowers in the classroom that we can add to and take care of as the term progresses. If the children find anything on their nature walks or indeed in their own gardens and it is safe to pick/collect then we would love for them to bring some things into school to add to our collection. We will also be growing some salad/vegetable items in school this term and would be extremely grateful for any seeds/plant/cutting donations to enable us to have a rich crop later in the summer.



The children in KS1 had a fantastic afternoon in Northallerton yesterday at the Multi Skills Competition. They returned to school red-faced, jubilant and extremely proud of their efforts in the different events. We as teachers were very proud of every child for taking part and trying their best. Our children are a credit to their parents and to our school when we take them out into the community, they managed and behaved brilliantly. Housepoints all round!



Important Notice – East Barnby Meeting – Year 5 and 6

Reminder that we will be having an information giving meeting for parents and children on Thursday 12th May at 3.30pm

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 – PE sessions for both classes – PE kits needed in school Wednesday for whole school PE session with Kirkby Fleetham
Brass: Class 2	Don't forget your brass instruments on Thursdays
W/C 9th May	SATS week for Year 6
Thursday 12th May	East Barnby meeting for parents and children – 3.30pm
Thursday 26th May	Jubilee garden party – parents welcome to join us for lunch
Friday 27th May	Training day – school closed <u>return</u> after half term on Monday 6 th June
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	Other awards
Class 1	Jess	Louie & Art	Monkey: Louie
Class 2	Jackson, April & Zoe	Oliver & Tilly	Carpenters: Bobby
Class 3	Holly, Elizabeth & Max	Alanna, Holly, Florie	Kindness: Alfie, Elliot, Florie, Charlotte

News from Class 2

What a fun filled week we have had in Class 2!

In English we have begun to read Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, which all the children are enjoying listening to and investigating. The children are particularly enjoying hearing about all the different types of chocolate that Mr Willy Wonka invents... it has us thinking if we could invent our own, what would it be?

We have also been learning about shapes and angles, nutrition and plants and the Victorians. The children are teaching me all about the Ravensworth way and have helped me to settle in very quickly to my new role as their class teacher.

As a whole school we have all dived in to learning Ukrainian in preparation for our new pupils. This is giving all the children an amazing opportunity to learn and immerse themselves in a new language. We have been doing this through Duolingo and many of the children have taken it upon themselves to create 'phrase' books to help them remember and teach others.

As the weather, hopefully, begins to warm up can I ask that every child has a named water bottle in school.

Pupil mental health champions

Elizabeth, Lucy, Alanna and Poppy have a few jokes for you this week 😊

1. What do dogs call a roof? A woof...
2. What vegetables should you never serve on a boat? Leeks...

Charity Bike Ride



Mrs Hegarty and Ms Taylor are busy training at 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

Thursdays	Don't forget your brass instruments on Thursdays
w/c 9th May	SATs week for Y6
Thursday 26th May	Jubilee Picnic Lunch – parents invited, details to follow
Friday 27th May	Training day – school closed. Return after half term on Monday 6 th June 2022
Wed 8th to Fri 10th June	Year 5 & 6 Residential to East Barnby

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>