Barton, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham and Ravensworth CE Schools

# Cornerstone Schools

## Building Futures with Love

## Our Christian value this half term: Thankfulness

Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now getting used to being back in school with routines becoming familiar and children really working hard in their learning. In all the schools this week, children have been punctuating their learning with thinking about the events in Edinburgh and then London. It has been a living history lesson on many occasions and prompted some fascinating discussions. Coincidentally, the Christian value that we are focussing on in our collective worship this term is respect. It has been a perfect example of how we show respect throughout our lives and how this translates to when we are in school.

**Secondary applications**

We have been advised that the SFX and Richmond School Open Evenings will be taking place in late September, please see details of these events attached to this newsletter or sent to the parents of Year 6 children this week.

**T-Shirts**

It seems like such a long time ago since we did our extravaganza involving all four schools in July. If you haven't yet returned the t-shirt we used issued to the children, could you please do so this coming week so we can, hopefully, use them again in the future. Thank you.

**Summer Reading Challenge**

Many of our children have taken part in the Summer Reading Challenge organised by local libraries. There is nothing nicer than reading in the sunshine on a warm summer's day. If you have received your certificate at home, please bring it into school so we can present them during our celebration worship.

**New Staff**

Across all our schools, with the departure of Mrs Dudman, there have been a few changes to staffing. the children will have been introduced to new staff members – some of whom were familiar faces and others who have joined us from other schools. During all four OFSTED inspections, the way staff lead learning across the schools was highlighted as a strength. We are so pleased to welcome them to the team so we can continue '*Building futures with love*' at Cornerstone.

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| Kirstie Petch – Acting Headteacher | Kirsti Hume – Acting Deputy Headteacher – Kirkby Fleetham | Kellie Harris – Class 2 teacher Ravensworth & base leader |
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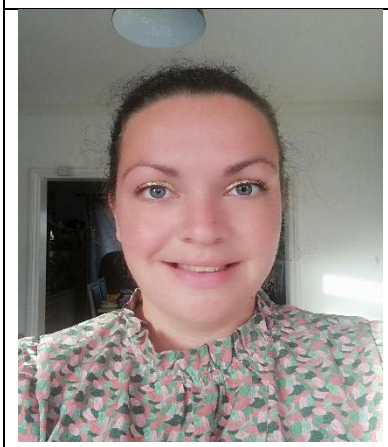
| Jemma Gregory – Class 3 teacher - Ravensworth | Hannah Long – Class 1 teacher - Barton | Lisa Godfrey – GTA and ATA Barton |
|  | | |
| Sarah McAneary – HLTA and GTA – East Cowton | Lucy May - HLTA and GTA Kirkby Fleetham | Emma Garner – Admin - East Cowton |

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Mrs K Petch

# Barton CE School

**National attendance figure: 94.21%  Target attendance 97%  Barton attendance this week: 99.1%**

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| | **Star of the Week** | **Writers of the Week** | **Lunchtime Awards** | **Values Award** |
| **Class 1:** | Alice | D'Arcy & Hunter | Peaches | Bailey |
| **Class 3:** | Charlie | Eva-Grace and Finley | Finley | Tom |

**News from Class Three**

We have had a terrific start to the new year and Class Three have been working even harder this week! Our year sixes were presented with their ties in community celebration worship last Friday and they have been setting an amazing example showing our value of respect around school this week. Our year five and six pupils had a visitor from the NSPCC who taught them about staying safe, speaking out and looking out for others. There was also a delivery of some cool new play time equipment that our School Council had chosen and ordered before we broke up for the Summer - play times have been extra fun! In class we have been enjoying the graphic novel version of Anne Frank's diary and we have been busy preparing our own stories for the MOTO foundation young writers' competition (1st prize is £2500 to spend on playground equipment and a visit from two authors!).

The MOTO foundation have supported our school for a number of years now, twice a year they give us several options of sets of Oxford Children's Books to choose from for our classes – in Class Three in particular we have become the envy of other schools because we have so many and such a range of lovely books to capture the children's interests and develop their love of reading.

As their chosen adopted school, we have a Charity Champion link at Scotch Corner services called Susan Lee. Susan runs a weekly crochet group and craft club, at Scotch Corner, who make items to sell to fund the charity, all ages and abilities are welcome to join. They also accept donations for their charity book stall. If you would like to join one of Susan's groups or make a donation of books please contact Susan Lee on 07939022028.

## Afterschool Club

The Afterschool Club is up and running and available for the following times Monday and Tuesday 3:30-5pm and Wednesday and Thursday 3:30-5:30pm. It is now chargeable in 30-minute slots so 3:30-4pm, 3:30-4:30pm, 3:30-5pm and 3:30-5:30pm to accommodate all parents with wraparound care. Each 30 minutes is charged at £2.50 and will be put on ParentPay each Friday.

| **Barton – Dates for your diary** | |
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| **Friday's** | Collective Worship 3 –3:30pm – All Welcome! |
| **Monday's** | Multi Skills Sports 3:30-4:30pm |
| **MONDAY 19th SEPT** | **SCHOOL CLOSED – QUEEN'S FUNERAL** |
| **Wednesday 28th Sept** | KS1 Multi Skills at Richmond School – details to follow |
| **Monday 3rd October** | Powerdown Pete visiting |
| **Tuesday 4th October** | KS2 Cross Country at Richmond School – details to follow |
| **Thursday 13th October** | Flu Immunisation |
| **Friday 21st October** | Break up for Half Term |

# Kirkby Fleetham CE School

| Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week | | | | | |
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| Stars of the Week | | Dojo Points | Bolton | Middleham | Richmond |
| **Tilly, Chloe and Hollie** | | **This week** | 14 | 26 | 26 |
| | | **Total for year** | 48 | 49 | 52 |

**National attendance figure: 94.21%  Target attendance figure 97%  Kirkby Fleetham attendance this week: 100%**

## Class News

We are back into full swing here at Kirkby Fleetham! It was great for children to be able to go to see their friends over at East Cowton this week for PE, music and French, and equally wonderful to return to brass lessons with the inspirational Mr Batty. Children having private music lessons also welcomed a new piano teacher, and Jen came back to lead collective worship again from the New Life Baptist Church. So much happening! As you can see from the attached curriculum overview, we have some very exciting topics this term and children are already getting stuck into some very meaty learning! In Class Two the children have been thoroughly engrossed in their new text Rose Blanche, and produced some lovely descriptive writing about some quite emotive subject matter. In Science they've been learning all about electricity and light and been creating their own circuits. The World War Two topic in History is provoking all kinds of thoughts and questions, including learning all about the Blitz and re-enacting an air-raid.

In Class 1 this week we have been thinking, talking and writing about Superheroes! Our topic this term is We Could be Heroes and we've started off thinking about the superheroes we know from stories and films. What qualities make a superhero? Is it just physical qualities or is there something on the inside as well? What superpowers would we like to have? As the term goes on, we will move into thinking about real-life heroes and what makes them special.

## Exciting baby news!

We are thrilled to share with you all that Miss Follon has had her baby! Baby Theo was born safely last Friday and both he and Mummy are doing fine. We can't wait to meet him very soon!

## Friends news

**The Great Big Green Week**

Please keep Sunday 25th September free in your diary as the friends are organising another litter pick in the village followed by delicious refreshments back at school afterwards. All equipment such as litter pickers and bin bags will be provided- they just need helpers! If you have any queries please contact Verena on 07500480232.

THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

| Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary | |
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| **PE kits and water bottles** | Every Monday - to be left in school for the week |
| **Brass lessons every Thursday** | Please remember to bring instruments every Thursday |
| **Monday 19th September** | School closed for the Queen's funeral |
| **Friday 21st October** | Break up for half term |
| **Monday 31st October** | Return to school |

# East Cowton CE School

## East Cowton - Children celebrating achievements this week

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| **Star of Week Class One- Isabelle & Dan**<br>**Star of week Class Two- Sebastian** | **Caring Bear- Tate Liddle**<br>**Please could you all look for the Achievement Shield and Listening cup at home!** |

**National attendance figure: 94.21%  Target attendance figure 97%  East Cowton attendance this week: 96.7%**

## News from Class 2

It has been a busy couple of weeks; we have been getting ourselves back into a 'normal' school routine. I have been really impressed with our new Year 3 children- they have settled well, are working hard, and have happily mixed with the older children. We have also welcomed two new starters- Jack and Charlie Garner- who have told me they have made lots of friends and have been made to feel welcome.

Using our new WW2 class text 'Rose Blanche,' we have been doing some story writing to include personification and similie. The children have written some detailed character descriptions about a character, who might have been based on the German leader- Adolf Hitler.

Brass is Back! It has been great to see the children enthusiastically welcome back Mr Batty. All children have been allocated an instrument again and they enjoyed buzzing, experimenting with dynamics and enjoyed a game of 'forbidden rhythm.'

Please can we remind children to bring their PE kit in on a Monday, and leave it on their peg until Friday.

## East Cowton – Dates for your diary

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| **19th September 2022** | School is closed for the Queens funeral. |
| **24th September 2022** | Little Smeaton hall 9.30 to 11.30 - information on the attachment |
| **24th September 2022** | Harvest Festival at 4.00pm, St Mary's Church, South Cowton – all are welcome to attend. Contributions of non-perishable food are always welcome. |
| **25th September 2022** | Cowton Arts and Theatre Society – Wind in the Willows production. More information on the attachment. |
| **28th September 2022** | Friends of the school meeting, 7.30pm at the Beeswing – all parents' welcome! |
| **3rd October 2022** | Please remember to give consent online |
| **21st October 2022** | Break up for October half term, school reopens on Monday 31st October 2022 |
| **29th November 2022** | School photos |
| **Wednesday's** | Afterschool club – Sports with Matty |
| **Thursday's** | Afterschool club – History themed craft club with Mrs McAneary |
| **Friday's** | Parent collective worship, from 9.00am - everyone is welcome. |

# Ravensworth CE School

| Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week: | | | |
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| | **Stars of the Week** | **Writer of the week** | **Other awards** |
| **Class 1** | Benjamin, Isaac and Rose | Lily-May and Art | **Monkey:** Samuel |
| **Class 2** | Phoebe James & Carter | Phoebe & Ellie | **Carpenter:** Art |
| **Class 3** | Samuel | Noah & Chloe | **Kindness:** Louie |

**National attendance figure: 94.21%  Target attendance figure: 97%  Ravensworth attendance this week: 91.7%**

**News from Class 1:**

Welcome to the new school year! What a wonderful start we have had in Class One ✨ It has been so lovely to welcome our new reception starters into our class. The year 1 and 2 children have welcomed them with open arms and have enjoyed spending some time getting to know their new friends! We would love to say a massive welcome to Isabelle, Jessica, Mia and William ❤

Over the last 2 weeks, we have been so busy listening to stories, counting, painting, constructing, making lunches in the home corner, reading, writing and so much more! Our new class text, Incredible You, has allowed us to enjoy a positive start to the school year. The children have been encouraged to think about all of the wonderful things that they are incredible at and it has been lovely to witness them encouraging one another and noticing their friends' incredible talents.

Please note, we will now be doing P.E. on a Monday. Please ensure P.E. kits are in school on Mondays. Thank you 😊

**Breakfast & After School Club**

If you need wraparound care, please book a space for your child by emailing the school office. Where possible, please give at least 24 hours notice of a booking/cancellation so that we can ensure we have enough staff in order to maintain the required ratios at each session. Breakfast club is £3 per session and after school club is £5 per hour, payable online via ParentPay.

| Ravensworth – Dates for your diary | |
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| **Mondays** | P.E. for all classes – please remember to bring in your P.E. kits! |
| **Thursdays** | KS2 Brass Lesson |
| **Fridays** | Collective Worship from 2.40pm – all welcome! |
| **Mon 19th Sept** | **Bank Holiday – Queen's funeral – School closed** |
| **Tues 20th Sept** | SFX Open Evening – 5.30pm – see attached postcard |
| **Weds 28th Sept** | KS1 Multi-skills at Richmond School |
| **Thurs 22nd Sept** | Yr 5/6 Richmond School Open Evening – 6pm – see attached letter |
| **Tues 4th Oct** | KS2 Cross Country at Richmond School |
| **Thurs 6th Oct** | Tempest Photography in to take individual photos |
| **Fri 21st Oct** | Break up for October half term |

## Quick Links for Each School

**BARTON**

**School Lunch Menu:** School Lunch information

**School Holidays/Term Dates:** Term dates 2022-2023

**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

**KIRKBY FLEETHAM**

**School Admin email:** kfadmin@eckf.dalesmat.org

**School Lunch Menu:** School Lunch Information

**School Holidays/Term Dates:** Term dates 2022-2023

**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

**EAST COWTON**

**Admin email address:** ecadmin@eckf.dalesmat.org

**School Lunch Menu:** School Lunch Information

**School Holidays/Term Dates:** Term dates 2022-2023

**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

**RAVENSWORTH**

**Admin email:** admin@ravensworth.dalesmat.org

**School Lunch Menu:** School Lunch Information

**School Holidays/Term Dates:** Term dates 2022-2023

**Wraparound care:** Breakfast & Afterschool Club

**Ravensworth School Friends quick fundraising: -** smile.amazon.co.uk

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/rsfarichmond/

**Uniform:** school/uniform/

**Parent pay:** ParentPay Login

**Newsletter:** 4 school newsletters link

### 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-101930341769707https://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