Barton, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham and Ravensworth CE Schools

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Our Christian value this half term: Respect

Friday 4th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable half term break last week. It had been a long and exhausting term and the children (and staff) were all ready for a rest. What a treat to have such warm weather for the October half term. You should have received invitations to parents' evening next week – if you are unable to make the date, please contact school and we will be happy to accommodate you at another time.

It was lovely to have the children back in school well rested and eager to get their learning started this week. We've started with a bang with both Barton and Ravensworth enjoying a day's skipping with Dave from Skip to be Fit. East Cowton and Kirkby Fleetham went back in time to the 1940s and welcomed Tom, from Remembering Tommie. He helped the children get active and into that wartime spirit.

This afternoon some of our service children from two of our schools, took part in the special service of remembrance at Ripon Cathedral. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to feel a part of a larger community of service children, meet others in a similar situation to themselves as well as representing our schools. We were joined by our governor Mrs Bateman.

Just a reminder that now it is getting colder and wetter, please remember to send children with a coat in the morning. We do try our best to get them outside if at all possible and sitting in a wet jumper is no fun at all!

Thank you and have a lovely weekend.

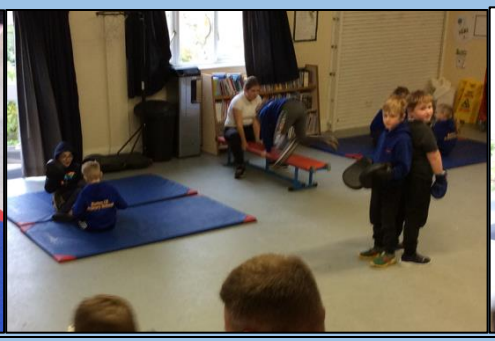
Kind regards,
Mrs K Petch

Barton CE School

National attendance figure: 94.21% Target attendance 97% Barton attendance this week: 95%

	Star of the Week	Writers of the Week	Lunchtime Awards	Values Award
Class 1:	Hunter	JJ and Alice	Peaches	Charlotte
Class 3:	Bear	Thomas and Oscar	Florence	Phoebe

News from Class 3



We loved seeing Dave again to get us going for this new half-term! On Wednesday morning we had Skip 2 Be Fit and, on the afternoon, we got fighting fit without getting hit in Box 2 Be Fit. The high intensity training was so tiring, but everyone in class persevered and not one person gave up – I was so proud of their behaviour and resilience all day. Dave is visiting us again next week to train some of our older pupils to lead their own skipping and boxing play time clubs.

If you haven't already connected to our new class Seesaw page you can join by downloading the app and using the QR code sent home to watch some videos of them all in action. If the QR code has gone missing or just didn't make it home (!) please let me know on the playground or by sending a message on Dojo or to the office and we will send another one out.

We started our new class book "When The Sky Falls", by Phil Earle, and I have been blown away by the writing that they have been producing this week – they have definitely come back ready to work hard this term! We are currently mastering the 4x and 6x tables in maths so please keep quizzing them and practising at home too.

The Great SPOTacular Coffee Morning

On Friday 18th November we will be holding a coffee morning in school to raise funds for Children in Need. The event will run from 9.15am until 10.30am. Come along and enjoy refreshments and cake with other parents – children will join you in the hall during this time. Donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated.
Children are welcome to come into school in their own 'SPOTTY' clothes for a small donation.

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	
Friday's	Collective Worship 3 –3:30pm – All Welcome!
Monday's	Multi Skills Sports 3:30-4:30pm R-Yr6 children
Tuesday 8th November	Parents Evening – 3:40-6:30pm
Wednesday 9th Nov	Friends Meeting – 7:30pm Half Moon, Barton
Thursday 10th November	KS1 Trip to Bowes Museum – letter sent
Friday 11th November	Yr5/6 Young Playleader Training
Thursday 17th November	Friends Autumn Disco 5:30-7pm
Friday 2nd December	Friends Santa Fun Run - pm
Tuesday 6th December	Class 1 Nativity – 2:30pm
Friday 9th December	Christingle – Details to follow
Saturday 10th December	Friend's Christmas Bonanza @ Barton Village Hall
Tuesday 13th December	Christmas Community Lunch – Details to follow

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week					
Stars of the Week		Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Chloe, Hollie and William		**This week**	28	12	38
		Total for year	236	225	246

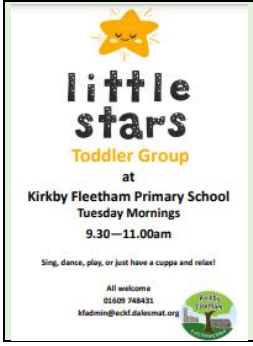
National attendance figure: 94.21% Target attendance figure 97% Kirkby Fleetham attendance this week: 94.3%

Class News

Key Stage Two had a fabulous World War Two experience day at East Cowton on Wednesday. The session was led by a soldier, who had time-travelled forward from the 1940s and brought with him all sorts of equipment for the children to handle and explore. They also learnt some fabulous 1940s dances such as the Charleston and the Lambeth Walk, and finally did a drill on the yard. It was a great experience and really brought learning to life.

The children have also started to share their history and geography homework with the rest of the class. We have had some marvellous powerpoint presentations, along with various war memorabilia from grandparents. Thank you all so much for the support children have received at home to complete this work.

It's Back !



Kirkby Fleetham Toddler Group will be back up and running on Tuesday mornings 9.15 – 11.00 starting on 15th November. Please spread the word!

Parents evening

Please note that you should have received a text confirming your time for Monday's appointments. If you have NOT received a message please contact school, many thanks.

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary	
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
Tuesday 8th November	Play Leaders Training – year 6
Friday 18th November	Children In Need Day – non uniform day
Tuesday 6th December	Flu immunisations

East Cowton CE School

AWARDS				
Star of Week Class One: Evelyn Star of week Class Two: Ted Listening Cup: Jack Caring Bear- Tommy Achievement shield: Kasper		**Bolton**	**Middleham**	**Richmond**
	This week	76	76	53
	Total for year	341	301	334
	Team Star	Jack	Daniel	Serenity

National attendance figure: 94.21% Target attendance figure 97% East Cowton attendance this week: 97.3

News from Class 2

We've all had an exciting and interesting week having welcomed some visitors into school.
On Tuesday Rev. David Bartlett was interviewed by the children about his Christian belief- our overarching question was 'Is a belief in God liberating or restricting?' David captivated the Childrens' attention and left them thinking about their own belief and faith. Some of the questions asked included 'Do you believe in the creation story over 'The big bang theory?' He was also asked whether Christians should take part in other religious celebrations such as Diwali and weddings? David was very impressed with the Childrens' attitudes and behaviour. He was very impressed with the depth of the questions he was asked.
On Wednesday, Solider Tom came to visit us from WW2. We learnt about a soldier's kit and rations. The children were fascinated with the range of weapons he brought and demonstrated; the children enjoyed dressing up and trying out the kit. After break, we learnt how to dance the Lambeth Walk, The Gay Gordon and The Charlston- I have some great photos and videos- we had a lot of fun! Finally, the children were taken out and put through their paces doing basic soldier training. They learnt to follow orders, march in lines and even fought in the war! It was a great way to conclude our history lessons about WW2.

Christmas Dates
Please save the following dates for our Christmas activities:
Christmas Wreath making event – Friday 2nd December, 7pm at the Village Hall – please see the poster attached to the email for more information.
Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 8th December.
Christmas Lunch – Friday 9th December.
Christingle Service & **Nativity** – Tuesday 13th December in the Church – more details to follow.
Christmas Party – Friday 16th December in the morning, followed by a film in the afternoon.

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

Mon 7th & Wed 9th November	Parents Evening
Friday 11th November	Remembrance Day – Service at the Church from 10.50am
Wednesday 16th November	Friends of the school AGM – details to follow after half term
Thursday 17th November	Film night – Friends of the school event – details to follow after half term
Friday 18th November	Children in Need – non-school uniform
Tuesday 29th November	School Photos – younger siblings can have photos from 8.30am
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

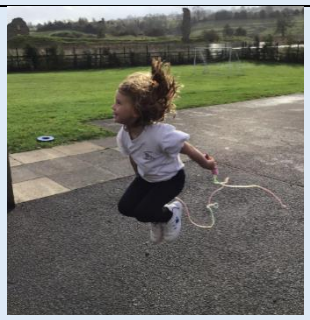
Ravensworth CE School

Ravensworth - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Stars of the Week	Writers of the week	Other awards
Class 1	Dasha & Benjamin	Jessica F, Isaac & Rose	**Monkey:** Miss Galloway
Class 2	Kit, Jackson, Amber	Harvey & Oliver	**Carpenter:** Louis and Sophie
Class 3	Chloe	Lucy & Holly	**Kindness:** All Year 6

National attendance figure: 94.21% Target attendance figure: 97% Ravensworth attendance this week: 95.9%

News from Class 1



We have had a lovely Autumnal start to the new half term! The children have come back to school happy, well rested and raring to go ☺

We had an active start to the week with a visit from Dave and his Skip 2 B Fit session! Dave really got our bodies moving on a chilly Monday morning with some fun warmups and brilliant skipping sessions. He talked to the children about the importance of not giving up and persevering when things get a little tough. He reminded us that when we practice something (like skipping), we can all get better and better at it. The children love this motto and try to apply it to their learning in class.

The children are looking forward to their history topic this half term where we will be exploring how toys were different in the past compared to those we play with today. This links well with our D&T topic where we will be creating a puppet for a child in the past. If you (or any family members) have any old toys at home that we can look at and compare to those toys built today, we will be very grateful and it can help bring the topic to life.

Thank you for your continued support with reading at home. We really do appreciate it and can see how much impact it can have on a child's reading skills ☺. Even if you read just 1 or 2 pages per night, your child will benefit greatly!

Christmas Dates

Please save the following dates for our Christmas activities:

Christingle Service – Monday 5th December at 5pm in the church – the Monday after school sports club will run as usual but **after school club will finish at 4.30pm this day.** Please contact us if this causes you a problem.

Christmas Lunch – parents welcome! Thursday 8th December from 12-1pm

Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 8th December

Friends Christmas Disco - Thursday 8th December from 5.30-7.00pm

Christmas Nativity – Wednesday 14th December at 5.00pm - **after school club will finish at 4.30pm this day.** Please contact us if this causes you a problem.

Christmas Party - Thursday 15th December – children to bring party clothes into school with them

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

Thursdays	KS2 Brass Lesson
Fridays	Collective Worship from 2.40pm – all welcome!
Tues 8th Nov	Parents Evening – 3.15pm to 6.00pm
Thurs 10th Nov	KS1 Trip to the Bowes Museum – see letter sent by email
Fri 11th Nov	Year 5 and 6 Playleaders Event at Richmond School – see letter sent by email
Fri 18th Nov	School Friends & Great North Air Ambulance Collection – see attached flyer

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 via APC

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