Barton, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham and Ravensworth CE Schools

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Our Christian value this half term: Courage

Friday 24th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Easter Services

Our Easter services have been a real success this year – thank you to all the parents and governors who managed to get to school/church to support the children. Many of our children really flourish when performing to an audience and it has been particularly lovely this year to see the less confident take on speaking roles and realising what they can achieve if they push themselves out of their comfort zone.

Smiley Charity Film Awards – Winners!

A special congratulations must be said to the staff, children and parents of Kirkby Fleetham School. After entering the national 'Smiley Charity Film Awards' we were all thrilled when we managed to get through to the final to be held in Leicester Square on Tuesday evening. Mrs Hume, accompanied by some of our parents attended while the rest of us watched with bated breath via online streaming. Right at the end of the evening the awards for 'People's Choice' were announced; we were winners of the <£100,000 category! Unfortunately, it was at the point that the live streaming crashed so we missed Mrs Hume's moment of fame. What a wonderful achievement!

Wensleydale tournament

Three of our schools experienced a real brass competition this week at Leyburn. It was nerve-wracking but exciting at the same time and a real treat to hear how the children have improved their brass playing. Well done Kirkby Fleetham for coming first – what a week for you - also Miss Coxon who organised it and encouraged both children and staff.

Sports Week

Thank you so much to all the parents who have offered to help out with some of our trips next week. We've included some exciting sports which means additional support is vitally important; we really could not manage without you. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.
Kind regards,
Mrs K Petch

Barton CE School

National attendance figure: 93.4% Target attendance 97% Barton attendance this week: 94.4%

Barton - Children celebrating achievements this week:

	Star of the Week	Writers of the Week	Lunchtime Awards	Values Award
Class 1:	Sophie	Bailey & Tommy	D'arcy	Bea
Class 3:	Davey	Finley and Maci	Florence	Isla

News from Class One

We had an amazing time this week as the Fire Crew from Richmond Fire Station came to visit! We learned all about the Great Fire of London and how firefighting techniques have changed since 1666. Did you know that horses used to pull the 'engines'? Mrs Long was then dressed in firefighting kit from head to toe as we learned how firefighters stay safe when entering burning buildings. Finally, we had a tour of Poppy, the fire engine. We saw all the compartments, equipment and ladders and even got to climb into the cab. To top off the fun, we saw the flashing blue lights, heard the siren, and were squirted by the hose! BEST day ever!

A message from Rev'd Alison

If your child is interested in securing a place at SFX next autumn, may I encourage you to attend one or more of our family friendly services at St Michael and All Angels church Middleton Tyas 9.30am on Sunday 26th March or 9.30am on Sunday 23rd April or 11am on Sunday 21st May. I look forward to meeting you then.

Friends of Barton – Bingo & Bunny Drive!

Huge thank you to all that came to the Bingo & Bunny drive on Tuesday evening. We raised a whooping £303.82! The next event is the Carboot on Sunday 23rd April – get sorting out the clutter over the Easter holiday!

Barton – Dates for your diary

Mon 27th – Fri 31st March	Sports Week for All – See email sent 28th Feb with all the information
Friday 31st March	Collective Worship 3pm –All Welcome! **Break Up for Easter**
Tuesday 18th April	Back to School
Wednesday's	From 19th April Forest Schools starts for Class 1 – please can all children in class 1 make sure they have in school wellies, waterproofs, clothing suitable to get dirty.
Sunday 23rd April	Friends of Barton Carboot on school field
Tuesday 25th April	Sports Week – Catterick Saddle Club

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

Stars of the Week		Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
All the children!		**Total for week**	**41**	**28**	**33**
		Total for year	**753**	**735**	**882**

National attendance figure: 93.4% Target attendance figure 97% Kirkby Fleetham attendance this week: 91.9%

Smiley Charity Awards Ceremony

Glitz, glamour and interviews with celebrities. Who would have thought our tiny school could achieve such great things! The pictures speak for themselves. WOW, WOW, WOW!!! The question Jason Watkins (of Nativity film fame) asked us, was what's next?! Well – watch this space everyone, and watch us grow even bigger! Nothing can stop us now!!!!

Wensleydale Tournament

And then we casually rolled up at the Wensleydale Tournament of song and came first in the brass competition! I know this has been a struggle for some, but my goodness the children have learnt so much about perseverance, resilience and coming out the other end triumphant. Well done – again!!!

Easter service

It was lovely to be joined by so many supporters at our Easter service this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning the new special songs for our performance of 'Three little trees' and even performed a rendition of them on the bus coming home from the Wensleydale tournament later the same day! Well done to all the amazing children for reading their lines so well.

Friends news

Please keep Sunday 23rd April free in your diaries for the Great big spring clean, starting at school, followed by delicious refreshments afterwards.
Plus if anyone is available to help man the Bedale car boot sale on Saturday 1st April, please contact Verena or Francis, many thanks.
Date for next pub quiz is Thursday 6th April 8.30pm – please come along!

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

Forest school kit	Please remember to come in uniform and bring forest school clothes to change into each Wednesday
Brass lessons	Please remember to bring instruments every Thursday
Mon 27th March	Bike day at school
Tues 28th March	Horse riding at Catterick saddle club
Wed 29th March	4motion, gymnastics and Rof 59 – 4.15 pm finish
Thurs 30th March	Climbing wall and archery (archery KS2 only)
Fri 31st March	Ice skating – 4.15pm finish

East Cowton CE School

Star of the Week	Achievement Shield	Listening Cup	Caring Bear
Class 1: Tobias Class 2: Thomas	Serenity	Dan	Maddie

East Cowton - Children celebrating achievements this week

National attendance figure: 93.4% Target attendance figure 97% East Cowton attendance this week: % 96.3%

News from Class two

What a week! We've got some very tired children and staff- it's been non-stop!
First, I'd like to congratulate the children for working hard both at home and at school to produce such a fantastic Easter service. All children learnt their lines and songs very well and delivered them with confidence. I was super impressed with the last-minute addition of singing in two-part harmony after finding a copy of the musical score, with only two days to go. East Cowton children like a challenge and they put in 100% effort to make it work and some even gave up their playtime. We're very proud of them all. I've since received some lovely emails from governors, who thoroughly enjoyed the performance- well done!

After the Easter service, the Class 2 children boarded a bus to Leyburn and competed in the Wensleydale Tournament of Song. The behaviour was excellent, and the standard of playing was high. The children worked together as a team; they followed Mr Batty's conducting well. They wowed the adjudicator with: a menacing rendition of Pirates of the Caribbean; a peaceful smooth performance of Fight the Good Fight and their own composition of Tundra Anthem, which had a strong start. Overall, we scored a very respectable 82 points, which put us in 2nd place. We'd like to congratulate Kirkby Fleetham on their winning performance but watch out, the children (and the staff) at EC want to win next year!

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

27th March – 31st March	Sports week – information emailed to parents. No after school clubs this week. No parent worship this week.
Thursday 30th March	Easter Lunch 12pm – 1pm
Friday 31st March	Break up for Easter and return to school Tuesday 18th April.
Tuesday 18th April	Catterick Saddle Club – whole school.
Friday 5th May	Coronation celebration and afternoon tea- parents invited- more information to follow.
Tuesdays	Forest school – please bring your named kit
Wednesday	PM with ML Sports – please bring your PE kit.
Fridays	**Parent worship at 9.00am – everyone is welcome.**

Ravensworth CE School

	Stars of the Week	Other awards	
Class 1	Benjamin & Louie	**Monkey**	Noah
Class 2	All of Class 2	**Carpenter**	Samuel & Lucy
Class 3	All of Class 3 & Lucy	**Kindness**	Thomas

National attendance figure: 93.4% Target attendance figure: 97% Ravensworth attendance this week: 91.2%

News from Whole School

What a wonderful, if busy week we have had in school this week, Class 2 enjoyed their last very rainy Forest school session, but it didn't deter us from having fun and sharing hot chocolate and toasting marshmallows around the campfire. We had our Easter Service with a performance from Class 2 of The Three Trees story, and singing from the whole school, thank you to those of you who were able to join us we hope you enjoyed it; all the children made us so proud with the tremendous effort that was put into the performance. We also enjoyed an amazing Easter Lunch, and again thank you for those who joined us, I think you will agree that Brenda once again served up a wonderful lunch, and thanks to the Friends of Ravensworth for providing refreshments for the children after the Easter Service and the fabulous prize draw at the Easter Lunch. On Thursday KS2 attended the Wensleydale Tournament of Song, the children once again made us so proud with their exemplary behaviour and wonderful performance showing off their brass instrument playing, where they came 3rd, well done to everyone, it was a great experience and gave them an audience to share their musical progress with. The adjudicator commented that the children played with great enthusiasm to produce a big sound even though they hadn't been playing together for as long as the other schools had.

Ravensworth School Friends

Thank you to everybody who bought a raffle ticket for the Easter raffle this week we raised an impressive **£682** which will all be spent directly on benefitting the children. If you were lucky enough to be a winner, we'd love to have your pictures of you enjoying your prize so we can share them on Friends Facebook page. Please send any to admin or direct to Jess Thompson.

End of day arrangements

Many thanks for your support with keeping changes to the end of day arrangements for emergencies only. This week there have been only 4 changes. Thank you so much.

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

Wednesdays Class 1	**Forest school** – starts on Wednesday 19th April 2023 – see email for details
Thursdays	KS2 brass lesson
Fridays	Collective worship from 2.40pm – all welcome!
Mon 27th March	Ice Skating – late return by approx. 4.15pm, **no after school club today**
Weds 29th March	Bike day – led by Pro-ride cycling, please bring bike/scooter and helmet into school
Thurs 30th March	4motion, gymnastics & Rof 59 – late return by approx. 4.15pm, **no after school club today**
Fri 31st March	Break up for Easter – **no after school club today**
Tues 18th April	Monday 17th April is an inset day, so children return to school on Tuesday 18th April
Tues 2nd May	Class 1 & 3 to Catterick Saddle Club
Fri 5th May	Coronation Celebration, 12-1pm – Afternoon Tea, parents welcome!
Tues 9th May	Class 2 to Catterick Saddle Club
Fri 26th May	Break up for Whitsun 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 address: admin

School Lunch Menu: School Lunch Information

School Holidays/Term Dates: Term dates 2022-2023

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

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

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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