Barton, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham and Ravensworth CE Schools

Cornerstone Schools

Building Futures with Love

Our Christian value this half term: Generosity

Friday 7th July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

End of term activities are beginning across our four schools. The sound of singing and practice for performances are well under way. On top of this, children are busily practicing for sports days as well as finishing off their curriculum learning. It is a very busy time in school when everybody is very tired! We are looking forward to seeing you at the upcoming events.

Courageous Advocacy

Last week I told you about Poppy at Barton organising a fund raiser for a cause close to her heart, LBD (Lewy Body Dementia) Thanks to her hard work, and some support from Grandma, she managed to raise £192.11. We are all incredibly proud Poppy. You are making a difference.

Year 6 Leavers Service

Our planned trip to Ripon Cathedral had to be cancelled this year due to the lack of availability of buses. This has caused us problems all year and the summer term has made it even more challenging. We are looking into ways of solving this problem next year. However, we did manage to get the children to East Cowton (thanks to the generosity of staff and parents) where Rev David Bartlet led a service for our leavers. It was just lovely as we were able to do it outside in the sunshine. As usual, we built in a special, leavers treat where all our Year 6 children were able to get together and just have fun. Thank you to our fabulous Friends of the School groups for funding this extravaganza. The children have had the best time and played together like old friends.

Arrangements for next year

I am conscious that many of you will be awaiting confirmation of teaching arrangements for the next academic year. We are very busy confirming the final few pieces of the jigsaw, which we are aiming to have done by next week. Please bear with us – we are working hard behind the scenes.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Mrs K Petch

Barton CE School

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance 97% Barton attendance this week: 94.3%

Barton - Children celebrating achievements this week:				
	Star of the Week	**Writer of the Week**	**Lunchtime Awards**	**Values Award**
Class 1:	D'arcy	Charlotte	Freddie Walker	JJ
Class 3:	Evie	Thomas	Thomas	Davey
Winners of the Dojo House Point Cup:			Bolton	

News from Class

It's been another great week at Barton. It's been a really exciting time for the Year 6 children this week. They have enjoyed their time at Richmond School for their transition days, in preparation for next year and are really excited for their new journey. They have also had an extra special leaver's treat today at East Cowton School. We look forward to seeing lots of pictures and hearing all about it next week.

Class 3 have been exploring the artist, David Bowie this week. They have created some amazing outfits inspired by his style and we have learned lots about him during a pop quiz. We will continue to look at a different artist every week and the children are extremely excited to find out who it will be next.

Lunchtime Update

This week's new equipment. The children have been safely enjoying the pull along carts and Giant Spinning Tops.

Barton – Dates for your diary	
Mondays and Friday's	Class 1 and 3 need PE kits in school
Friday's	Collective Worship 3pm – All welcome!
Wednesday 12th July	KS1 Fun Run – Class 1 will need their PE kits
Thursday 13th July	Sports Day - Parents welcome from 1:30pm
Friday 14th July	Friends of Barton Leavers Disco 6-7:30pm – see poster!
Monday 17th July	KS2 Drumming Performance - 2:30pm KS2 parents' welcome
Thursday 20th July	Leavers Lunch with Parents – 12:30pm, Leavers Assembly – 2:30pm
Friday 21st July	End of Term

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

Stars of the Week	Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Beau and Luke	Total for week	5	32	35
	Total for year	1051	1095	1247

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure 97% Kirkby Fleetham attendance this week: 95.6%

Class News

We had a very special visitor in school this week! Our good friend Radio Presenter Jonathan Cowap, who supported and promoted our school song and charity film award, came into school to spend the afternoon with the children on Thursday. The children asked him lots of questions about his professional career on radio but were particularly delighted by his tales of Podger his cat! He brought lots of strawberries and chocolate to share at playtime, and then we sang him a medley of songs from the musical, including 'Jonathan's Calling' – a song written specially about him! The whole afternoon was filmed by Matt Dever, who's incredible documentary is taking beautiful shape.

We actually managed a trip to the woods without getting wet this week! The survival skills theme was continued with Dr Vasby teaching the children how to make string from the nettles they prepared last week. It actually proved to be surprisingly, incredibly strong and was used to lift a large bottle of water without snapping! The children also made candles by moulding clay pots and filling with fat and some string for a wick. As you can see they were really effective!

Friends news

Last night the friends held their 27th and final pub quiz raising £84 and a whopping £2447 overall! The friends would like to thank all their supporters, the Black Horse for the prizes and Laura Wright for being an amazing quiz master. It is hoped that they may do the quiz again at some point in the future.
Please look out for a poster attached to this week's newsletter – you could help us to win £1000 for our library.

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

Mondays	Please bring PE kits and water bottles to leave in school for the week
Brass lessons	Please remember to bring instruments every Thursday
Tuesday mornings	Forest school
Wednesday 12th July	Sports day afternoon at East Cowton 1pm
Wednesday 19th July	End of term musical performance – matinee and evening.
Friday 21st July	Leavers service at Kirkby Fleetham church 3pm
Friday 21st July	Break up for the summer holidays
Tuesday 5th September	Return to school

East Cowton CE School

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure 97% East Cowton attendance this week: 97.2%

News from Class 1

This week Class One were extremely excited to return to Pepper Arden Woods for their Forest Schools session with Dr Vasby. They particularly enjoyed drying digging for clay to make their own candle holders. They used lard as a wax and string as a wick then Dr Vasby demonstrated how the heat from their candles alone could heat up a pot of water. They also practised their striking actions without making a flame this time around but in preparation for using flint and stone in future sessions. Well done Class One for all giving it a go and thank you to our parent helpers for accompanying the children this week. We will be back in the Forest again next week for our penultimate session and then the following week will be a whole school Forest Extravaganza.

Back in the classroom we have been exploring lots of maths challenges. Reception have been helping the robots find one more and one less. Year One have been solving problems relating to mass and capacity whilst Year Twos have been solving two-step problems. We have also begun a new English text called 'Star in a Jar' by Sam Hay. The reception children produced some beautiful front covers for the book whilst the remainder of the class wrote some intriguing questions for the main characters.

Friends News: The next event is The Big Breakfast on 15th July 9-11.30am, which will be held at The Beeswing – either eat in or takeaway!

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

Please can all children bring a named water bottle with them, now the weather is getting a bit warmer.

Tuesdays	**Forest School – every Tuesday afternoon from June 20th until the end of term.**
Wednesdays	**After school club – sports with Matty**
Thursdays	**After school club – gardening club with Mrs McAneary.**
Fridays	**Parent worship at 9.00am – everyone is welcome.**
Wed 12th – Fri 14th July	**Year 6 leavers – Northallerton transition days**
Wednesday 12th July	**Sports afternoon with Kirkby Fleetham starts at 1.00pm. All are welcome.**
Saturday 15th July	**FOS event – The big breakfast – The Beeswing 9am to 11.30am**
Monday 17th July	**End of school production 2.30 in the school hall.**
Friday 21st July	**Leavers assembly 10am at the church. Everyone is welcome. Break up for the summer. Return to school Tuesday 5th September.**

Ravensworth CE School

	Stars of the Week	Other Awards	
Class 1	Isaac & Lily-May	**Monkey**	Miss Noble
Class 2	James & Rose	**Carpenter**	Oliver
Class 3	Year 5s & Noah	**Dakyn Trust Cup Winners**	Middleham

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure: 97% Ravensworth attendance this week: 93.2%

News from Class

There has been lots of changes in school this week with all children moving into their new year groups, lots of fun was had, the children were getting familiar with having new children in classes, or being in new classrooms, going out to new schools and even a new teacher for Class 1! There was a real buzz around school, but the year 6s were missed! We were so pleased that Mrs Richards was able to be with us and she was very impressed with all the children in her class and is looking forward to joining us in September. It was wonderful to see the new reception children becoming very involved, it feels that they have been with us for ages, they took part in Wake up, Shake up! played out with all the children and enjoyed a lovely lunch they were warmly welcomed and very well taken care by everyone, In addition the children have been earnestly rehearsing for next week's performance, they are very excited and trying super hard to remember their lines and come in at the right places it is going to be a wonderful production, hope to see you all on Tuesday. After being so busy, it was lovely to have Messy Church this week too, the children explored friendships, new and old, we really appreciate their contribution to our school community and look forward to many more sessions in the new school year.

Year 6

Miss Gregory and Mrs Petch took the Year 6 children into Richmond on Wednesday to choose some books to update the library with some much-needed, up-to-date books for the older children in school. We chose new, award-winning authors as well as some more familiar names. We are going to order more after the summer break. It also meant we supported a local, small business. We had a wonderful time and managed to squeeze in a treat while we were there.

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary

Mondays after half term	Sports Club until 4.15pm **P.E. for whole school**
Tuesdays after half term	Art, Craft & Games Club until 5.30pm **(excluding Tuesday 11th July)**
Thursdays after half term	KS2 brass lesson
Fridays after half term	Collective worship from 2.40pm – all welcome!
Tuesday 11th July	**Themed Lunch – Under the sea!** Whole school end of term performance, 2pm & 6pm – Pirates vs Mermaids – **no after school club this day.** Please note, the 6pm performance is now full
Wednesday 12th July	Reception and KS1 fun run at Richmond School
Tuesday 18th July	Sports day – parents welcome from 1pm
Wednesday 19th July	Year 6 leavers parent lunch – 11.45am
Friday 21st July	Year 6 leavers parent assembly – 1.30pm School finishes at 3.10pm for the summer **– no after school club this day**

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 Link

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-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.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